



WHAT'S ON IN AND AROUND THE MACHARS

SEPTEMBER 2023

A free list of events and groups that meet in and around the Machars.
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<p>FRIDAY 1ST</p>	<p>The Poetical Life of Philomena McGuinness, The Swallow Theatre, Whithorn. 2.30pm</p> <p>Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Mutant Mayhem (PG), Newton Stewart 7pm</p>
<p>SATURDAY 2ND</p>	<p>Wigtown Market, Market Square, Wigtown. 10am-3pm</p> <p>Peter Pan, Newton Stewart Cinema, 2pm</p> <p>Wigtown & Bladnoch FC v Auchinleck Talbot, Trammondford Park, Wigtown, time to be confirmed</p> <p>Horticultural Show, Kirkcowan Hall. Judging from 9am. Show open to public 2pm-5pm. Presentation of Trophies 5pm.</p> <p>Doors open days 2023. All Saints Church, Challoch – Theme of Living Heritage. 11pm-4pm. Displays, activities, plant sales, refreshments, raffle and ‘tea with the Vicar’</p> <p>Doors open days 2023. Newton Stewart Museum ‘The Way We Were’ – see the Helen Drew Slide Collection. 10am-4pm.</p> <p>Open Doors Weekend. Sorbie Tower, Sorbie, Living History, Re-enactment, Displays of Medieval Weapons and Fire Power and much more.</p> <p>Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Mutant Mayhem (PG), Newton Stewart 7pm</p> <p>Stolen Order + Joey Pearce’s Rock Jukebox, The Vault Arts Centre, Newton Stewart, 7pm</p>
<p>SUNDAY 3RD</p>	<p>Open Doors Weekend. Sorbie Tower, Sorbie, Living History, Re-enactment, Displays of Medieval Weapons and Fire Power and much more.</p> <p>Wigtown Bay Sailing Club – Bob Rowley raising the Red Ensign. 11am, Clubhouse, Isle of Whithorn</p> <p>Horticultural Show, Kirkcowan Hall. 11am-1pm. Sales of Cakes and Raffle at 2pm.</p> <p>Peter Pan, Newton Stewart Cinema, 2pm</p> <p>Doors open days 2023. Newton Stewart Museum ‘The Way We Were’ – see the Helen Drew Slide Collection. 10am-4pm.</p>

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TUESDAY 5TH	<p>Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Mutant Mayhem (PG), Newton Stewart 7pm</p> <p>Wigtown Guild Meeting, Rev Eric Boyle leading on our new theme: New Wine New Wineskins. Church Hall, Lochencroft Lane, Wigtown at 7pm.</p>
WEDNESDAY 6TH	<p>Machars Photography Club, Machars Action Meeting Room, 5.15pm-7.15pm</p> <p>First Meeting of Youth Theatre in Sorbie Village Hall. 5.30pm-6.30pm for age 6 upwards and Adult Acting Workshops 6.30pm-7.30pm.</p> <p>Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Mutant Mayhem (PG), Newton Stewart 7pm</p>
THURSDAY 7TH	<p>Pop Up Pottery, South Machars Community Centre, 10am-12noon. Creative Pinch Pots.</p> <p>Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Mutant Mayhem (PG), Newton Stewart 7pm</p> <p>Prize Bingo and light supper, Cobwebs, Wigtown, 7.30pm</p>
FRIDAY 8TH	<p>MaD Festival, Whithorn – South Machars Community Centre, Whithorn: Kate Anderson Mosaic Workshop, 12pm Sherri Conn- Kintsugi Workshop, 4.30pm</p> <p>Gran Turismo (12A), Newton Stewart Cinema 7pm.</p> <p>Brooks Williams & Dan Walsh, The Swallow Theatre, Whithorn, 7.30pm</p>
SATURDAY 9TH	<p>Wigtown Market, Market Square, Wigtown. 10am-3pm</p> <p>Produce & Craft Market, South Machars Community Centre, Whithorn. 10am-3pm</p>

	<p>Plant Swap and Clothes Swap, McMillan Hall, Newton Stewart, 10am-2pm</p> <p>MaD Festival, Whithorn – South Machars Community Centre, Whithorn: Sheralyn Stuckey – Festive Fermentation Workshop, 10am-12pm</p> <p>Brooks Williams & Dan Walsh, The Swallow Theatre, Whithorn, 5pm</p> <p>Gran Turismo (12A), Newton Stewart Cinema 7pm.</p> <p>Bat Talk & Walk with Peter Norman from SWSEIC, Kirkinner Halol/Kirkinner Forest 7pm. Booking essential - 07917102693</p>
SUNDAY 10TH	<p>Annual ecumenical service at Craggleton Church, Garlieston. 3pm</p> <p>MaD Festival, Whithorn – South Machars Community Centre, Whithorn Clothes Swap, 3.30pm Christy Miles – Herbal Balms, Tinctures & Teas Workshop, 10am-12pm Heather Andrews – Needle Felting Workshop, , 12.30pm-2.30pm “Unstitched” – Film Screening & Clothes Swap. 2.30pm-4.30pm</p> <p>101 Dalmations (U), Newton Stewart Cinema, 2pm</p>
MONDAY 11TH	<p>Machars Monday Drop-In, Newton Stewart Centre, Church Street, Newton Stewart 10.30am-12.30pm – Talk by Wigtownshire U3A</p> <p>MaD Festival, Whithorn – South Machars Community Centre, Whithorn: Gillian Stewart – Bookbinding Workshop, 2pm-4pm Frances Ross – Ceramic Pumpkin Workshop, 6pm-8pm</p> <p>From Survive to Thrive, Wigtown. 6.30pm Praise and Worship. 7pm-9pm Main Presentation</p> <p>Jurassic Park – 30th Anniversary (12A), Newton Stewart Cinema, 7pm</p>
TUESDAY 12TH	<p>MaD Festival, Whithorn – South Machars Community Centre, Whithorn: SMCC Pop Up Café, 9.30am-1.30pm</p>

	<p>Craft 'n' Chat, 2pm-4pm Fiddle Group, 2pm-3.30pm Julie Ridola – Colour & Collage Art Workshop, 6pm-8pm</p> <p>Gran Turismo (12A), Newton Stewart Cinema 7pm.</p>
WEDNESDAY 13TH	<p>MaD Festival, Whithorn – South Machars Community Centre, Whithorn: Jane Fraser – Sea Glass Jewellery Workshop, 10am-12pm Machars Arts & Crafts Group, 1pm-3pm Rose Petal Hall – Botanical Eco Print Clothing Workshop, 2pm-4pm</p> <p>Kirkcowan Bingo, Kirkcowan Hall, 7pm</p> <p>Gran Turismo (12A), Newton Stewart Cinema 7pm.</p>
THURSDAY 14TH	<p>MaD Festival, Whithorn – South Machars Community Centre, Whithorn: George Pattison – Blacksmith Workshop, 10am or 12pm (2 sessions) Anna Weatherall – Tapestry Weaving Workshop, 11am-1pm Nic Coombey – Drystone Dyke Workshop, 2pm-4pm Kirsten Milliken – Yarn Spinning Workshop, 2pm-4pm</p> <p>The Ancient Art of Stained Glass, Free talk by Susan Bradbury, All Saints Church, Challoch, 2pm for 2.30pm</p> <p>Gran Turismo (12A), Newton Stewart Cinema 7pm.</p>
FRIDAY 15TH	<p>MaD Festival, Whithorn End of Festival Beach Clean, Comb & BBQ, Back Beach, Monreith from 5pm</p> <p>Stranraer Oyster Festival, Stranraer</p> <p>Meg 2: The Trench (12A), Newton Stewart Cinema, 7pm</p> <p>Blues Weekender September 2023, The Vault Arts Centre, 7pm – Three Card Trick + Easy Does It</p>

SATURDAY 16TH	<p>Wigtown Market, Market Square, Wigtown. 10am-3pm</p> <p>Enable Soup & Sweet Fundraiser, Masonic Lodge, Newton Stewart, 12pm-2pm, Soup & Roll, Coffee/Tea, Raffle</p> <p>Wigtown & Bladnoch FC v Forth, Trammondford Park, Wigtown, 2pm</p> <p>Wigtown & Bladnoch FC Race Night, Galloway Bar, Wigtown, 7.30pm</p> <p>Stranraer Oyster Festival, Stranraer</p> <p>Meg 2: The Trench (12A), Newton Stewart Cinema, 7pm</p> <p>Blues Weekender September 2023, The Vault Arts Centre, 7pm –Brian Rawson Band + Al Hughes</p>
SUNDAY 17TH	<p>Stranraer Oyster Festival, Stranraer</p> <p>Walt Disney's The Jungle Book (U), Newton Stewart Cinema, 2pm</p> <p>Asaka Quartet, Newton Stewart & District Music Club, Wigtown Parish Church Wigtown, 7.30pm</p>
MONDAY 18TH	<p>Wigtown Community Shop and Wigtown SWI Fashion Show, Wigtown County Buildings, 7.30pm</p> <p>Meg 2: The Trench (12A), Newton Stewart Cinema, 7pm</p>
TUESDAY 19TH	<p>Port William Local Place Plan Meeting, Maxwell Hall, Port William 5.30pm-8pm</p> <p>Strays (15), Newton Stewart Cinema, 7pm</p>
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THURSDAY 21ST	<p>Port William Local Place Plan Meeting, Maxwell Hall, Port William 2.30pm-5pm</p> <p>Voices needed! First rehearsal of Wigtown and Kirkcowan Parish Church Choir. 7pm at Wigtown Parish Church</p>

	<p>Strays (15), Newton Stewart Cinema, 7pm</p>
FRIDAY 22ND	<p>Wigtown Book Festival – see programme, book online at https://wigtownbookfestival.com</p> <p>Festival Fireworks, Mercat Cross, Wigtown, 8.30pm</p> <p>Wigtown Book Festival 25th Anniversary Opening Party, Festival Marquee 9pm</p> <p>The Equalizer 3 (15), Newton Stewart Cinema, 7pm</p> <p>Folk Club, The Vault Arts Centre, Newton Stewart, 7pm</p> <p>Lucy Bonner, Galloway Bar, Wigtown, 9pm-late</p>
SATURDAY 23RD	<p>Wigtown Book Festival – see programme, book online at https://wigtownbookfestival.com</p> <p>Wigtown Market, Market Square, Wigtown. 10am-3pm</p> <p>Pop Up Market, The Vault Arts Centre, Newton Stewart 11am</p> <p>Pop Up Pottery, South Machars Community Centre, 10am-12.30pm. Family Session – Pumpkin Lanterns.</p> <p>The Equalizer 3 (15), Newton Stewart Cinema, 7pm</p> <p>A Room of One's Own, The Swallow Theatre, Whithorn, 7.30pm</p> <p>Candy Opera + Nathon Jones, The Vault Arts Centre, Newton Stewart 7pm</p>
SUNDAY 24TH	<p>Wigtown Book Festival – see programme, book online at https://wigtownbookfestival.com</p> <p>Beauty and the Beast (U), Newton Stewart Cinema, 2pm</p> <p>Tom Dingwall, Galloway Bar, Wigtown, 4pm-8pm</p> <p>Martha Spencer, The Vault Arts Centre Newton Stewart, 7pm</p> <p>A Room of One's Own, The Swallow Theatre, Whithorn, 7.30pm</p>

MONDAY 25TH	<p>Wigtown Book Festival – see programme, book online at https://wigtownbookfestival.com</p> <p>Machars Monday Drop-In, Newton Stewart Centre, Church Street, Newton Stewart 10.30am-12.30pm – Talk by Machars Health Improvement Team</p>
TUESDAY 26TH	<p>Wigtown Book Festival – see programme, book online at https://wigtownbookfestival.com</p> <p>The Equalizer 3 (15), Newton Stewart Cinema, 7pm</p>
WEDNESDAY 27TH	<p>Wigtown Book Festival – see programme, book online at https://wigtownbookfestival.com</p> <p>The Equalizer 3 (15), Newton Stewart Cinema, 7pm</p>
THURSDAY 28TH	<p>Wigtown Book Festival – see programme, book online at https://wigtownbookfestival.com</p> <p>The Equalizer 3 (15), Newton Stewart Cinema, 7pm</p>
FRIDAY 29TH	<p>Wigtown Book Festival – see programme, book online at https://wigtownbookfestival.com</p> <p>Casting The Runes, The Swallow Theatre, Whithorn, 7.30pm</p>
SATURDAY 30TH	<p>Wigtown Book Festival – see programme, book online at https://wigtownbookfestival.com</p> <p>Wigtown Market, Market Square, Wigtown. 10am-3pm</p> <p>Wigtown & Bladnoch FC v Lochar Thistle, Trammondford Park, Wigtown, 2pm</p> <p>Bluegrass Picking & Song Session, The Vault Arts Centre, Newton Stewart, 7pm</p> <p>Casting The Runes, The Swallow Theatre, Whithorn, 7.30pm</p> <p>Billy Mac, Galloway Bar, Wigtown, 8.30pm to late</p>

RECURRING EVENTS

- Please check with venues/groups – guide only

MONDAYS

Newton Stewart Art & Crafts Group, Newton Stewart Centre from 10am-12noon. Fortnightly. £2 per session. Contact Margaret 07818276543

Easiobics, Sorbie Hall 10am -11am
active.communities@dumgal.gov.uk to book

Bikefit, D&G Disability Sport Programme, ARC, Newton Stewart 10.30am-11.30am

The Machars Monday Club (drop in club for people with long term health conditions), Newton Stewart Initiative Centre from 10.30-12.30. Contact Nathalie on 07825111684 or Katrina Dick on 01671401449 for more info

Sacred Heart Catholic Church service, Wigtown 11am

Ninian Moments, Sacred Heart Church, Wigtown, 12 noon till 12.10pm

WalkFit, D&G Disability Sports, Belted Galloway Café, Newton Stewart. 1.30pm-2.30pm

Piano Lessons, South Machars Community Centre, Whithorn. 3pm-6pm.

Youthwork Project Junior Drop In, Kaos Café, Wigtown 6.30pm-8.30pm for young people in P7-S2

Bravehearts Abc Boxing Club – 7pm-8pm 9 years and over. 7.30pm-9pm carded boxers and adults.

Bridge Club, Kirkinner Community Hall, 7pm-10pm

Bridge Club, The View, Port William 7.15pm

Machars Lions Club Bingo 7.30pm. 1st Monday in Sorbie Hall, 2nd, 3rd & 4th in Maxwell Hall, Port William

Aerobics, St Ninians Hall, Isle of Whithorn. 6pm –
active.communities@dumgal.gov.uk to book

Youthwork Peer Project, Drop in, Kaos Café, Wigtown. 7.00pm-8.30pm. For young people in S3-S6

Karate, New Town Hall, Whithorn. 6.30pm-8pm

TUESDAYS

Toddlers Group, South Machars Community Centre, 9am-10.30pm

Tai Chi, Kirkiner Community Hall, 10am-12noon.
Contact Sue Casswell on 01988 500380

Ninian Moments, St Martin's and St Ninian's Church, Whithorn. 12 noon to 12.10pm.

Lawn Bowls, D&G Disability Sport Programme, Newton Stewart Bowling Club, 1.30pm-2.30pm

Craft n Chat, South Machars Community Centre, Whithorn, 2pm-4pm

Carers Support Group, St Ninians Hall, Isle of Whithorn. 2pm. For carers and the cared for – all welcome.

Quilting Group, St Ninians Priory, 2.30pm
(Alternate Tuesdays)

Yoga, All ages, all abilities. Garlieston Village Hall. £6. Mats provided.

Tai Chi, Maxwell Hall, Port William 6.15pm-8.15pm

All Body Circuit Training, Whithorn New Town Hall, 6.30pm-7.30pm

Bravehearts Abc boxing Bags & Pads, 7pm-8m, New Town Hall, Whithorn. All welcome.

Simply Meditate in Newton Stewart, 7pm-8pm, Activity and Resource Centre, King Street, Newton Stewart. £6 per class, each class is self-contained, drop in anytime. Contact 07518906611. 22 Aug-17 October (except 10 October)

Aerobics, St Ninians Hall, Isle of Whithorn. 6pm-7pm. £3.20 per session. Contact active.communities@dumgal.gov.uk

Port William Bowling Club Open Sweepstake. April-September. 7pm. Visitors welcome

Kirkcowan Bowling Club, Kirkcowan Village Hall 7.30pm. New members always welcome.

Mochrum Guild, Every 2nd Tuesday April-September. Maxwell Hall, Port William 7.30pm

WEDNESDAYS

Citizens Advice Outreach. Wednesdays 10am-4pm alternating between Machars Action, Wigtown and South Machars Community Centre, Whithorn.

Boccia, D&G Disability Sport Programme, McMillan Hall, Newton Stewart, 10am-11am

Football, D&G Disability Sport Programme, McMillan Hall, Newton Stewart. 11am-12noon

Log in Connect Group, Newton Stewart Centre, 10.30am-12.30pm

Wigtown Parent & Toddler Group. Wigtown Parish Church Hall, Lochancroft Lane. 10.00-11.00am. Contact 07929029916 for details.(Term time only)

Easiobics, Auchenmalg Hall, 10am-11am.
Active.communities@dumgal.gov.uk to book

Friendship Club, South Machars Community Centre, 1pm

Priory Knit Wits. St Ninian's Priory, Whithorn. Wednesdays 1.30pm All welcome to knit/crochet for charities including maternity ward at DGRI, homeless people and care homes. Can't knit? We'll teach you!

Machars Art & Craft, South Machars Community Centre, Whithorn, 1pm-3pm

Adult Dyslexia Support Group. The Newton Stewart Centre, Newton Stewart 3.30pm-4.30pm – email Suan.brown@dumgal.gov.uk for info

Youth Theatre 5.30pm-6.30pm, Age 6 Upwards. Sorbie Village Hall. Contact info@townsendproductions.org.uk

Yoga, New Town Hall, Whithorn, from 6pm-7pm. All ages, all abilities. Mats Provided

Adult Acting Workshops, Sorbie Village Hall, 6.30pm-7.30pm. Contact info@townsendproductions.org.uk

Easiobics Wigtown County Buildings, 6.30pm-7.30pm, active.communities@dumgal.gov.uk to book

<p>THURSDAYS</p>	<p>Parent/Grandparent & Baby/Toddler Coffee Morning at The Hive, Garlieston. 10am-11.30am Term Time only.</p> <p>PEEP for all babies & young children. South Machars Community Centre, Whithorn. 10.30am-11.30am</p> <p>Gentle Dance & Chair Based Aerobics, Whithorn New Town Hall, Whithorn, 11am-12noon</p> <p>Cricket. D&G Disability Sport. MacMillan Hall, Newton Stewart. 1.30pm-2.30pm</p> <p>Whithorn Youth Group. New Town Hall, Whithorn. 6pm-8pm. Age 12-18</p> <p>Choir, South Machars Community Centre, Whithorn. 6.30pm-8pm</p> <p>Bravehearts Abc boxing club, New Town Hall, Whithorn. 7pm-8pm 9 years and over, 7.30pm-9pm carded boxers and adults. New Members welcome.</p> <p>Wigtown and Kirkcowan Parish Church Choir rehearsals. 7pm at Wigtown Parish Church/Kirkcowan Church – alternate weeks. All welcome. For info contact Sue on suemunroe58@gmail.com, tel 07794621967.</p> <p>Emily Black Dance School, Dance Fitness. Kirkinner Hall 7.15pm-8pm.</p>
<p>FRIDAYS</p>	<p>Adiva & Support, St Ninian's Hall, Isle of Whithorn, 9am-1pm. Help with benefits, council tax, pensions and lots more.</p> <p>Fun Tennis, D&G Disability Sport Programme, 11.30am-12.30pm, Newton Stewart Tennis Club</p> <p>Port William Bowling Club Open Sweepstake, April-Sept 7pm. Visitors welcome.</p>
<p>SATURDAYS</p>	<p>Wigtown Summer Market, Wigtown. 10am-3pm</p>
<p>SUNDAYS</p>	<p>Wigtown Quakers, Wigtown at 11am (1st & 3rd Sundays. 2nd & 4th Sundays via Zoom)</p> <p>Wigtown Parish Church, Sunday Morning Services at 11.30am</p>

Wigtown Baptist Church, Sunday Morning Services at 11.30am

Mochrum Kirk, Church Service at 11am

Whithorn Priory, Church Service 10am

Isle of Whithorn Church, Service 11.30am

All Saints Challoch, Anglican Church, Service 10.30am

Galloway Dance, McMillan Hall, Newton Stewart. Ballroom & Latin 2pm-3pm, Salsa 3pm-4pm. £6 per class or both for £9

For more details on the above events, visit our events guide at:

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