Historylinks 5* Museum

Open 7 Days a week: 10am-4pm

Explore the history of Dornoch from Vikings, witches and the Clearances to golf, Skibo, the railway and everything in between. Entry: Adults £4, Concessions £3, Children Free. Ticket valid for 7 days.

For more information: <u>www.historylinks.org.uk</u> or 01862 811 275

Dornoch Pipe Band Parade

<u>Saturday Evening's: 8pm-9pm</u> Dornoch Square, Dornoch The Dornoch Pipe band is back for another successful season. Join us to watch the Dornoch Pipe band parade followed by Highland dancing display. Entry: Free

Dornoch Cathedral Welcome Sales Table

<u>Monday-Friday 10am - 4pm</u> Dornoch Cathedral Visitors are welcome to come into the Cathedral. Printed guides are available in many languages and the volunteers are happy to answer any questions you may have. Souvenirs are available to purchase.

Grannie's Heilan' Hame, Embo

<u>Open daily: from 9am</u> Soft Play Area, Swimming Pool, Children's Entertainment, Amusement Arcade, Bingo & Evening entertainment. Facilities open to all Dornoch visitors. Entry: £15 for family of four for a day pass. For more information: 01862 810383

Children's Softplay Centre

<u>Mon-Fri: 9am to 7:45pm Sat: 9am-4:30pm Sun: 10am-3:30pm</u> Kyle of Sutherland Hub, IV24 3AQ The Hub has a bespoke three-level indoor soft play centre for children aged 0-12, and a Creperie with choice of tacos, tortilla and nachos, hot drinks and smoothies. Entry: term time up to 2:30pm £3.50 otherwise £4.50 For more information: 01863 769 170

Evening Meals BYOB at Grace of Dornoch Café & Deli Friday & Saturday evenings Grace of Dornoch Café & Deli

To book you table contact: www.facebook.com/graceofdornoch

Evening Meals at The Courthouse Café

<u>Thursday, Friday & Saturday evenings</u> Courthouse Café, Carnegie Courthouse Reservations are required. Please contact: 01862 810 632

Various Workshops at Lairg Learning Centre <u>All Month</u> Lairg Learning Centre, Lairg, IV27 4DD Various workshops of all types with something for everyone to learn. For more information and to pre-book: <u>www.facebook.com/LairgLC</u> or: 01549 402050 (bookings)

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Dornoch Caravan & Camping Site

The Links, Dornoch Putting Green open to all £1 per player includes club & ball hire. For more information: <u>www.dornochcaravans.co.uk</u>

Tain Gala Week

Tuesday 2nd July - Saturday 6th July

Tain Links, Tain

Annual family fun event with the Fancy Dress Parade, a Teddy Bears picnic, Funbox, 10K Road Race, Afternoon Tea and dancing and much more. Ending with the Parade to the Links, led by Massed Pipes and Drums, through the High Street for an afternoon of centre ring entertainment and family fun on the Saturday and the evening End of Gala Dance with The Impact and Wood & Stone.

For more information: http://www.taingala.co.uk/

Young Curator's Club

<u>Wednesdays 3rd July: 5pm -6:30pm</u> Come and join us at the Young Curators Club. We will be having games, storytelling and exploring! Ages 8 to 12. Refreshments are provided. Entry: Free For more information call: 01862 811 275

Hope Choir

<u>Dornoch Cathedral, Dornoch</u> Thursday 4th July More details to follow, please see: <u>www.dornoch-cathedral.com</u>

Summer Fete

<u>Friday 5th July: 11am-4pm</u> Isobel Rhind Centre, Invergordon, IV18 OGH Fun day out for all the family. Clown, stalls, fun rides, refreshments, highland dancers, raffle.music and lots more. Entry: Free For more information: www.whatsonhighlands.com

Dornoch Cinema Monthly Film Showing-The Wife (15)

<u>Friday 5th July: Doors open at 7pm for 7:30pm showing</u> Dornoch Social Club, School Hill, Dornoch Monthly film show with refreshments, raffle and sociable company. Entry: Adults £5.00 children £3.00. For more information: http://www.dadca.org.uk/cinema.asp

Call to The Sea

<u>Friday 5th July: 7pm</u> Timespan Museum, Dunrobin St, Helmsdale, KW8 6JA Meet at Timespan's Crystal Garden for special mixologist concocted herb cocktails and the best view of the boat procession to launch Milly Thompson's project - The Moon, The Sea, The Matriarch. An all women local choir wearing the colours of a sunset will sing sea shanties and fisherwoman lullabies on a boat procession down the Helmsdale river and out to sea towards twilight.

For more information: www.timespan.org.uk/programme/events/performance-call-to-the-sea/

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Milly Thompson: The Moon, The Sea & The Matriarch Saturday 6 July to Sunday 22nd September Timespan Museum, Dunrobin St, Helmsdale, KW8 6JA

A celebration of the pleasures, woes, cellulite, and desires of older and middle aged women. During the project, Timespan will be running an alternative wellbeing and pampering clinic. We're swerving the lucrative industry of wellness, so NO to feelgood individualism, yoga face exercises and spiralised courgettes, these will be colourful, beautiful and funny - donut making, cocktails and karaoke, a Barbara Cartland pop-up restaurant, an artist-spoof wellbeing workshop, chicklit writing, perfume making, herbalist teachings and pampering sessions. The battleground of anxiety, stress, unhappiness and sickness is a societal not a personal problem, and donuts, herbal healing and cocktails are the language of this rebellion.

For more information: www.timespan.org.uk/programme/ exhibitions/milly-thompson-the-sun-the-sea-the-matriarch/

Embo Trust Table top Sale and Raffle

<u>Saturday 6th July: 9:30am - 12:30pm</u> The Old School School Street, IV25 3PZ Embo Come along to the old school for our table top sale and coffee morning. Feel free to spread the word and invite friends. All Welcome.

For more information: <u>www.facebook.com/</u> events/2022498191389356/

Movement/Dance Exploration Class.

<u>Saturday 6th July: 10:30am - 12:30pm</u> Dornoch Social Club, School Hill, Dornoch A collaboration between Amanda Macrae and Franziska bringing you a Movement/Dance Exploration Class. For more information: www.calendar.visitdornoch.com

Wild Camp Out, Ledmore and Migdale

<u>Saturday 6th July 3pm-Sunday 7th July: 10am</u> Ledmore and Migdale, Torroy car park, Spinningdale, Highlands Join The Woodland Trust Scotland and a wilderness expert to set up an overnight camp, light a fire, cook venison in an underground oven, take part in fun activities and enjoy the sunset over Loch Migdale. Bring your camping gear, a bit of food, a sense of adventure, and we'll sort the rest.

Entry: Adult £12, child £8 (3-16yrs), child under 3yrs free. For more information: <u>www.wherecanwego.com</u>

Barbara Cartland The Romance of Food Pop-Up Restaurant Saturday 6th July: 7pm

Timespan Museum, Dunrobin St, Helmsdale, KW8 6JA Barbara Cartland The Romance of Food , an annotated and edited version - all the style and none of the substance - interwoven with Cartland's classic novel. Tickets: £15 for 3 courses

For more information: <u>www.timespan.org.uk/programme/events/</u> <u>barbara-cartland-pop-up-restaurant-the-fire-of-love/</u>

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Mairead & Anna with RANT

Saturday 6th July: 8pm The Stables, Cromarty, IV11 8XS The Black Isle Fiddle Weekend presents Mairearad & Anna with RANT Tickets: £9,19-£13,39 For more information: 01381 600354

Sutherland Walkers: Summer Special-Falls of Kirkaig and Fionn Loch OS 15 085 194

Sunday 7th July: 10:30am-Car Share: Bonar Bridge PO: 8:50am. Rosehall Trials CP: 9:15am. The walk starts from car park by the bridge over River Kirkaig. 13km / 8 miles approx., track, linear with Optional shorter self-guided walk to Falls and return. Meal after the walk at Peet's Restaurant, Lochinver. Please ring secretary at least one week in advance to book. Non walking members are welcome to attend. For more information: 01862 810382

Dornoch Community Market

Wednesday 10th July: 9:30am-1pm Cathedral Green, Dornoch Come and browse up to 30 stalls with homegrown produce, plants, arts & crafts, baking, artisan bread, specialist chocolates, cheese, handmade cosmetics, jewellery, gifts & clothing. For more information e-mail: whealinghg@gmail.com

Seal Watch

Wednesday 10th July: 10am-12pm Loch Fleet, KW10 6TD

Come on down to Loch Fleet National Nature Reserve to watch and learn about our harbour seals and their pups from the Seal Watchpoint at Skelbo. Children and young adults must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Open to all and booking is not required. For more information: https://www.facebook.com/events/647646375753542/

Nature's Basecamp

Wednesday 10th July, Tuesday 16th July & Tuesday 30th July: 10am-4pm Aldie Burn, Near Tain, IV19 1PL Summer Holiday Basecamps with lots of outdoor fun including bushcraft skills, games, nature activities and woodland crafts. Often have a campfire; always have hot chocolate! For 8 years & over.

Entry: £25 per child. Booking limited & essential. For more information contact Ian on 01549 402 698.

SWC Dornoch Roadshow

Thursday 11th July: 10:30am-1:30pm

West Church Hall, Sutherland Road, Dornoch

The Scottish Woman's Convention are coming to Dornoch and we want to hear from local women! If you want to come along, or want more information, please don't hesitate to get in touch. For more information: info@scottishwomensconvention.org or call 0141 339 4797

Animal Tracking at Golspie

Thursday 11th July: 11am -12pm

Golspie Library, Back Rd, Golspie, KW10 6RF

Join the Countryside Ranger to learn the ancient art of tracking. Discover what clues some of our most iconic species leave behind and how you can read the story of their travel through the landscape. This activity is for children only, ages 7-14. Booking is essential as spaces are limited. For more information: www.myhighlife.co.uk/sap/ or email: marcia.rae2@highlifehighland.com

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Catriona Mackenzie in Concert.

<u>Thursday 11th July: Time TBC</u> Dornoch Cathedral, Dornoch Donations to Dornoch Cathedral. For more information: <u>www.dornoch-cathedral.com</u>

Elisabeth Schilling: Felt

Thursday 11th July: 7pm

Seaboard Memorial Hall, East Street, Balintore, IV20 1UA Choreographer Elisabeth Schilling performs a dance piece designed as a homage to the sense of touch. Felt is a highly interactive performance, and we have included a baby matinee so carers and little ones alike can enjoy the experience. Children are invited to stay and play with some elements of the show. For more information: www.seaboardcentre.com

Dornoch Book Fair

<u>Friday 12th- Sunday 14th July</u> Dornoch Social Club, School Hill, Dornoch The annual book fair over a weekend in July is run by Dornoch & District Community Association. Browse and buy from a wide selection of second hand and antiquarian books - ideal for your holiday reading!

For more information: www.dornoch.org.uk/book-fair.asp

Tain Highland Gathering

Saturday 13th July: 1pm Glenmorangie Ground, Tain, IV19 1PZ A traditional Highland gathering with running, cycling, heavy events (watch the athletes attempt to turn the longest and heaviest Caber in the Games circuit!) and light field. For more information: www.tainhighlandgathering.com

Charity Garden Opening - Three Gardens near Dornoch

Saturday 13th July: 10am-4pm 42 Astle IV25 3NH, Auchlea Balnapolaig Muir IV25 3HY & Skelbo House Skelbo IV25 Enjoy three gardens in and around Dornoch. This is a fundraising event for the open garden charity Scotland's Gardens Scheme which raises money for hundreds of local charities. Entry: £5 (Children free)

For more information: <u>www.scotlandsgardens.org/the-gardens-of-</u> <u>dornoch/</u>

Black Isle Collective: The Summer Show

<u>Saturday 13th July (Opening: 2pm - 4pm) then Sunday 14th -</u> <u>Sunday 21st July: 11am - 5pm</u>

The Stables Causeway, Cromarty IV11 8XS

A group of established and emerging artists from the Black Isle (and a step or two beyond!) come together to share their passion for making art. An exhibition of paintings, sculpture, printmaking, soundworks, textiles - and much else besides. Free entry

For more information: <u>www.cromartyartstrust.org.uk/events/13-jul-2019-black-isle-collective-the-summer-show.asp</u>













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The Eagles Kingdom

Wednesday 17th July: 10:30am

Tain Library, Stafford St, Tain, IV19 1AZ Join the Countryside Ranger at Tain Library to learn all about the life of one of Scotland's biggest predators. We will learn how long eagles live for, how they hunt and what they like to eat and do

some activities to demonstrate just how big they are!

Entry: By donation

For more information: marcia.rae2@highlifehighland.com or 07788387634

Dornoch Wedding Fayre

Friday 19th July: 10am-3pm

Visit a range of wedding suppliers to discuss your requirements for flowers, hair and beauty, wedding planning and decor, Registrar, piper, favours, photography, hats, catering, drinks, venues, and wedding cars as well as a raffle and refreshments. We look forward to seeing you there! Entry: Free

For more information: www.visitdornoch.com/whats-on-in-dornoch/event/dornoch-wedding-fayre

Sutherland County Show

Saturday 20th July 2019

Golf Links, Sutherland, Dornoch IV25 3LY.

A Food Fair, Fun Fair, dog show, sheepdog demonstration, vintage vehicle exhibition, terrier racing, pipe band, children's races, horses and ponies, flower show and spectacular main ring event of the Cactus Djakes Western Extravaganza combine to make a memorable day which is rounded off with the marguee dance.

Tickets: Adults: £8. Child (5 to 14 years of age)/concessions: £5. Under 5s: free. Family ticket: £18. Parking: free. Saturday night marguee dance - Tickets: £10 (9pm start) For more information: <u>www.visitdornoch.com/whats-on-in-dornoch/event/sutherland-county-show/</u>

Caithness Agricultural Society Annual Show

<u>Friday 19th July-Saturday 20th July</u> Riverside And Westerseat Grounds, Wick Annual agricultural show with competitions for all animals from horses, cattle, sheep, goats to rabbits. Lots of trade stands, children's races, pipe band, flower tent and refreshments. For more information: www.caithnessshow.co.uk

City of Inverness Highland Games

Saturday 20th July

Bught Park, Inverness

The Inverness Highland Games are among the most spectacular events of their kind in Scotland. There are categories for both men, women, younger competitors and also senior track and field events

Tickets: Adult: £8, Senior: £3, Under 18's: £2, Under 5s: Free. For more information: <u>www.invernesshighlandgames.com</u>

Lochcarron Highland Games

Saturday 20th July: 11:30am - 5pm

Attadale Estate, Lochcarron, Strathcarron

Featuring the traditional mixture of heavy events, track and field plus highland dancing and piping displays (these are not competitions). Highland games including tug-o-war, light field events, heavyweights and running.

For more information: www.lochcarrongames.org.uk

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Dornoch Community Market

<u>Wednesday 24th July: 9:30am-1pm</u> Cathedral Green, Dornoch Come and browse up to 30 stalls with homegrown produce, plants, arts & crafts, baking, artisan bread, specialist chocolates, cheese, handmade cosmetics, jewellery, gifts & clothing. For more information e-mail: <u>whealinghg@gmail.com</u>

Dornoch Big Bug Hunt

<u>Wednesday 24th July: 1:30pm-2:30pm</u> Join the Countryside Ranger for a walk around the grassland habitat by the shore and discover the amazing multitude of butterflies, bees and bugs that can be found in this unique habitat. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Booking is essential for children and adults as spaces are limited. For more information: www.myhighlife.co.uk/sap/ or email: marcia.rae2@highlifehighland.com

Durness Highland Gathering

<u>Friday 26th July: 12:30pm</u> Shore Park, Durness, IV27 4PN Traditional Highland games with track and field events, piping, Highland dancing and plenty for the kids as well. This small Highland Games is not to be missed! It's free to enter any of the competitions or you can watch and enjoy the Scottish Pipe Band, Highland Dancers, Field, Track and Heavy events. For more information: <u>www.secretary134.wixsite.com/</u> <u>highlandgathering</u>

Fèis Rois Ceilidh Trail

Friday 26 July: 8pm (Doors 7:30pm)

The Stables Causeway, Cromarty IV11 8XS Enjoy a night of fine music, dancing and craic courtesy of the Fèis Rois Ceilidh Trail. This band of five talented young musicians will entertain you with a family-friendly, authentic, traditional ceilidh with caller so no problem if it's your first time! BYOB Tickets: £7 (£4 under 16s)

For more information: <u>www.feisrois.org</u> or phone 01381 600354

Sutherland Walkers Group: Ben Wyvis OS 20 411 672 Saturday 27th July (Note Change of Day) Car Share:- Ardgay

Station 8:30am : Home Bargains, Tain 8:30am. Ben Wyvis (Munro): 1046m/3432ft. Start Point OS 20 411 672. 14km / 8.75 miles, approx. time 6 hours. Optional self-guided walk to Beallach Mor: same start point to foot of hill and return on same route. No dogs.

Park at the Ben Wyvis car park, signed from the A435, north of Garve. Car park often busy, alternative parking 400m along the road to Ullapool.

For more information: 01863 766061













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Tain Community Market

<u>Saturday 27th July: 10am-2pm</u>

A variety of food producers and artisan craft stalls will be here on the day. Lots of fun activities for all the family to enjoy. Please come along and show your support. Kids Fancy Dress Competition/face painting/live music.

For more information: www.tain.org.uk/events.asp

Wild food at Loch Fleet NNR Family Day

<u>Saturday 27th July: 12pm - 4pm</u> Loch Fleet, KW10 6TD Join us as part of the Loch Fleet Family Day, as we explore locally sourced food from nature. Seaweed, venison, foraged plants and rabbit will all be available to taste and we'll discuss and demonstrate some great dishes made with wild ingredients. For more information: <u>www.facebook.com/events/2274643159452307/</u>

JINSKI

<u>Monday 29th July: 7:30pm- 10:30pm</u> Edderton Hall, Station Road, Edderton, IV19 1LA Drawing upon acoustic roots and country music, this talented duo sing songs of love, joy, loneliness and longing. Tickets: £8 For more information: www.jinski.com

East Sutherland Art Society Annual Exhibition

<u>Wednesday 31st July- Friday 9th August: 10am-5pm</u> Fountain Road Church Hall, Fountain Road, Golspie, KW10 6TH Annual summer exhibition with a range of paintings, prints and cards by amateurs and professionals. For more information: www.visitscotland.com

The Dornoch Highland Gathering

Friday 2nd August: From 10:30am

Meadows Park, Dornoch

The Dornoch Highland Gathering has been held every year since 1887, bar the war years and one unfortunate rainy day. It is a day that locals look forward to all year, where everyone can have fun. Visitors are very welcome.

Come and enjoy the competitions for piping, Highland dancing, tossing the caber, putting the ball and throwing the hammer. Watch, or take part in, the track & field events of running, cycling, long jump and high jump. See the different techniques used to "Tilt the Bucket"!

With fairground attractions, stalls and refreshments, children's races and mini Highland games, this is a day out for all the family.

Please note there will be no Games Dance this year.

For more information: www.visitdornoch.com/whats-on-in-dornoch/event/dornoch-highland-gathering/

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