

# Do more in...

## October 2024

### Historylinks 5\* Museum

Daily: 10:30am - 4pm

Historylinks 5\* Museum

Historylinks is delighted to announce that they have secured the funding required to cover the construction of a Heritage Hub extension for the museum! The extension is coming along and it has also had a refurbishment of the reception area and some new displays in the main building. So come along and experience the new displays, have a go at the quizzes and enjoy browsing in the shop. A warm welcome awaits!

Historylinks Museum is also a Visit Scotland i-centre for all your visitor information requirements.

Entry: Adult: £4.50. Concession: £3.50. Children (U16) & Carers: Free. Group Rates Available.

For more information: [www.historylinks.org.uk](http://www.historylinks.org.uk) or 01862 811 275

### Soft Play @ the Hub

Mon-Thu: 9:30am to 5:30pm Fri-Sat: 9:30am-4pm Sun: 10:30am-3pm

Kyle of Sutherland Hub, IV24 3AQ

The Hub has a bespoke three-level indoor soft play centre for children aged 0-12 and a café serving baguettes/sandwiches with a variety of fillings, home baking, smoothies and milkshakes.

Café opening times: Monday - Saturday 9.30am - 4pm. Sunday 10.30am - 3pm. Drinks & snacks served until 6pm - Monday - Thursday.

Entry: £5 per child.

For more information: 01863 769 170

### Davochfin Farm

Daily: 10am - 4pm. Last admission for rod hire at 7:45pm

One mile from town centre, IV25 3RW

A 10-bay golf driving range is available to non-residents and residents. Just turn up and get swinging. The 9-hole pitch and putt course, with holes varying in length from 50-100 yards, is ready and waiting to be played.

At Davochfin Farm, also known as Dornoch Lochans, there are four rainbow trout-filled lochans for both occasional and serious fishers, open on a pay-and-fish basis, bookable online.

The Cabin serves as the administrative hub, where you can grab a rod or golf clubs, bug hunting kit, enjoy a snack or ice cream, and get advice on activities on the farm and beyond.

Golf driving range, bug-hunting (kits available from the cabin). All equipment can be hired.

Driving range £2 (2 x £1 coins). Bug kits £2.50

For more information: [www.facebook.com/Davochfin](https://www.facebook.com/Davochfin)



FOR INFORMATION ON UPCOMING EVENTS  
AND SPECIALLY TAILORED, UNIQUE ACTIVITIES  
[WWW.VISITDORNOCH.COM](http://WWW.VISITDORNOCH.COM)

FOR WALKS DOWNLOAD THE  
DISCOVER DORNOCH APP  
[WWW.VISITDORNOCH.COM/APP](http://WWW.VISITDORNOCH.COM/APP)

**Dornoch**  
You can do it all from here

# Do more in...

## October 2024

### **Dornoch Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA)**

Daily: 8am - 8pm

Dornoch Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA), Dornoch South, Dornoch

Exciting Updates at the MUGA Courts!

We are thrilled to announce that the MUGA courts are now complete since being freshly painted at the end of July! Our facility offers a diverse range of activities, including pickleball, tennis, football, and basketball.

You can now book your tennis sessions at the most northerly LTA venue or try the fastest-growing sport in the world, pickleball. Gather your friends for a game of football or basketball.

Tennis or Pickleball: £6 per hour

Full MUGA (Football or Basketball): £12 per hour on Mondays and Fridays, 5pm to 8pm

For more information: <https://m.facebook.com/dornochMUGA> & to book online: <https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/DornochAreaCommunityInterestCompany>

### **Gallery at Dornoch Hub**

Weekdays: 11am - 2pm

Dornoch Hub, Argyle Street, Dornoch

Enjoy viewing local artists in our gallery space at the Dornoch Hub this month. Pieces available for purchase but entry is free.

Entry: Free to view. Art can be purchased.

For more information: [www.facebook.com/dornochhub](http://www.facebook.com/dornochhub)

### **Youth Crafts for 11 - 13 Year Olds**

Mondays (during term time): 5:30pm - 7:30pm

Community Room, Dornoch Hub, Argyle Street, Dornoch

Join our Youth Craft Sessions, kindly supported by the Highland Council's Mental Health and Wellbeing Fund, to nurture your child's mental health. These sessions offer a fun and creative way for children to relax, express emotions, and build confidence. Through mindful, hands-on activities, kids can explore their feelings, boost self-esteem, and find joy in creating unique projects. Sign up today to help your child thrive through creativity.

Entry: Free

For more information: [www.tickettailor.com/events/thedornochareacommunityinterestcompany](http://www.tickettailor.com/events/thedornochareacommunityinterestcompany)

### **Whist Group**

Fortnightly on Monday: 7pm

Bowling Club, Golf Road, Dornoch

Join us fortnightly to play the great game of Whist - the simple trick taking game.

For more information: 01862 810 219

### **East & Central Sutherland Citizens Advice Bureau**

Wednesdays 10am - 12pm

The Dornoch Hub, Argyle Street

Phone for an appointment: 01408 600 000

Drop-ins also welcome.

For more information: 01408 600 000

# Do more in...

## October 2024

### **The Tuesday Club: Coffee Morning**

Tuesdays: 10am–12pm

Community Room, Dornoch Hub

Join us at the Hub for weekly catch ups. Some weeks it will just be a blether over a cuppa of what we've been up to, what's happening in the town or what's in the news. Other weeks we may have a theme, a quiz, a group visit or a speaker. The main thing we offer at our Tuesday Club is a bit of social contact and a chance to make new friends - something all of us who have been coming along over the last few months have thoroughly enjoyed. Sponsored by The Highland Communities Mental Health and Wellbeing Fund for adults.

Entry: Free

For more information: [manager@dacic.org.uk](mailto:manager@dacic.org.uk)

### **Sewing Club**

Wednesdays Throughout the Month: 1pm - 3pm

Dornoch Hub, Argyle Street, Dornoch

Join us for our weekly sewing club at the Dornoch Hub.

For more information: [www.facebook.com/dornochhub](http://www.facebook.com/dornochhub)

### **Lairg & Learning District Learning Centre Courses & Events**

Throughout the month

Explore a world of enriching experiences with Lairg & District Learning Centre's diverse range of sustainable events. From hands-on workshops teaching eco-friendly practices like composting and seed saving to interactive sessions on building your own sustainable solutions, there's something for everyone. Whether you're passionate about sustainability, eager to learn new skills, or simply seeking a fun and meaningful activity, Lairg & District Learning Centre offers a welcoming community dedicated to creating a greener future. Join in and become part of a movement making a positive impact on the planet, one event at a time.

For more information: [www.lairglearningcentre.org.uk/events](http://www.lairglearningcentre.org.uk/events)

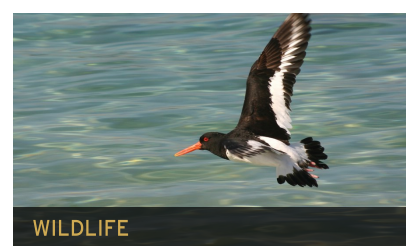
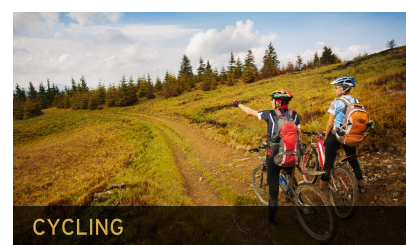
### **East Sutherland Camera Club**

Second & Fourth Tuesday of the Month (8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> October): 7pm

Dornoch Community Centre (Social Club), School Hill, Dornoch

If you're interested in photography, whether you're a beginner or have decades of experience, come along to an East Sutherland Camera Club meetings to see what we're all about. You don't need to be a Sutherland resident—everyone is welcome. Whether you use a smartphone, a digital camera, or are looking for your first camera, your passion for photography is what matters. We can help you get the most out of your device, even if it's just a phone camera. The club hosts six competitions each season, judged either by external judges who offer constructive feedback or by members, leading to friendly discussions on club nights.

For more information: [www.eastsutherlandcc.org.uk](http://www.eastsutherlandcc.org.uk)



FOR INFORMATION ON UPCOMING EVENTS  
AND SPECIALLY TAILORED, UNIQUE ACTIVITIES  
[WWW.VISITDORNOCH.COM](http://WWW.VISITDORNOCH.COM)

FOR WALKS DOWNLOAD THE  
DISCOVER DORNOCH APP  
[WWW.VISITDORNOCH.COM/APP](http://WWW.VISITDORNOCH.COM/APP)

**Dornoch**  
You can do it all from here

# Do more in...

October  
2024

## **The Viking Hoard is Coming Home**

Until - 31<sup>st</sup> October: Monday - Saturday: 10am - 4pm & Sunday: 1pm - 4pm.

Tarbat Discovery Centre, Tarbatness Rd, Portmahomack, IV20 1YA

Join us for a very special exhibition! In 1889, a gravedigger found a Viking hoard while digging in the graveyard at Tarbat. It was buried here in circa 990-1000, and is coming home for the first time since it was found. The coins, ring money and other treasures on display are fascinating - and tell the story of how life continued at Tarbat after the monastery was burnt c. 800. We also have activities for younger visitors to enjoy.

Entry: Free to the special exhibition, but regular museum admission applies. (Adults: £5.

Concessions: £4. Children (Under 16): Free

For more information: [www.facebook.com/tarbatdiscoverycentre](https://www.facebook.com/tarbatdiscoverycentre)

## **Fungi Foray at Camore Wood**

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October: 2pm - 4pm

Camore Wood, Dornoch

This event will be an introduction to the fascinating kingdom of fungi. We will not be collecting to eat but looking for and identifying as many different species as we can to showcase different identification features. We will also discuss the numerous uses that fungi have provided and the new uses that we may find for them in the future..

This will be a short circular route from the car park, however some sections of the walk may be steep and muddy.

Tickets: We ask for donations for this event to help with our work, which goes towards education about and protection of the nature of the Highlands. Please give what you feel you can afford. We suggest a minimum donation of £10 per person to cover our costs or £25 per person to further support our work.

For more information: [marcia.o'hara@highlifehighland.com](mailto:marcia.o'hara@highlifehighland.com)

## **Creative Writing Taster Session**

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October: 7pm - 9pm

The Dornoch Hub, Argyle Street

Whether you're completely new to creative writing or have some experience and want to try something different, join us for a fun and inspiring Creative Writing Taster Session. Led by Jackie Pavlenko, a professional with a background in screenwriting and radio, this session will include fun writing exercises and explore different forms of writing, including film/TV, radio, and short stories. By the end of the session, everyone will have written and shared a few pieces, and you might even be inspired to join future workshops.

Entry: Free

For more information: [www.tickettailor.com/events/thedornochareacommunityinterestcompany](https://www.tickettailor.com/events/thedornochareacommunityinterestcompany)

## **Drawing & Painting Workshop**

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October: 10am - 12pm

The Dornoch Hub, Community Room, Argyle Street

Join Dawn, a self-taught artist, for a 2-hour taster session where you'll explore the joy of self-expression through drawing and painting. Whether you're new to art or looking to refine your skills, Dawn will guide you through the basics of color mixing, shapes, and perspective. By the end of the session, you'll leave with your very own still life painting to take home. All materials provided—just bring your creativity!

For more information: [www.tickettailor.com/events/thedornochareacommunityinterestcompany](https://www.tickettailor.com/events/thedornochareacommunityinterestcompany)

FOR INFORMATION ON UPCOMING EVENTS

AND SPECIALLY TAILORED, UNIQUE ACTIVITIES

[WWW.VISITDORNOCH.COM](http://WWW.VISITDORNOCH.COM)

FOR WALKS DOWNLOAD THE

DISCOVER DORNOCH APP

[WWW.VISITDORNOCH.COM/APP](http://WWW.VISITDORNOCH.COM/APP)

**Dornoch**  
You can do it all from here

# Do more in...

## October 2024

### **Charity Golf Day for Dornoch Cathedral**

**Saturday 5th October**

Royal Dornoch Golf Club, Golf Road, Dornoch

Join us for a special charity golf event aimed at raising funds for the historic Dornoch Cathedral. In association with Royal Dornoch Golf Club and sponsored by Morrison Construction, this event will support the preservation of the Dornoch Cathedral, a landmark dating back to 1224 and celebrating its 800th anniversary this year. Participate in our four-person team challenge at the Struie Course, with exciting prizes for the top teams and rewards for a hole-in-one, nearest the pin, and the longest drive. All proceeds will go towards maintaining and preserving this historic treasure.

Tickets: Four person team: £280. Single player: £70. Includes pre-round tea/coffee, bacon roll, and a one-course dinner.

For more information: [www.dornoch-cathedral.com/cathedral-news-events/](http://www.dornoch-cathedral.com/cathedral-news-events/)

### **Sutherland Walkers: Ben Klibreck (Meal nan Con)**

**Saturday, 7th September: 10:20am**

Start at A836 at point 198m north of the Crask Inn at NC 533 272 1km south of Vagastie, where there is parking.

Take the path over Cnog Sgriodain, 544m contour below Creag an Lochain on west side on path to point 688m. Continue north to point 737m and then east to summit at 962m. Back by the same route, with option to go over Creag an Lochain, 808m and then SW and W back to start. Approx. 15km, 7-8 hours. Approx. 25 miles and 40 mins driving from Bonar Bridge via A836 to parking spot.

A car share is available with the following stops: Bonar Bridge PO car park at 09:30 or Lairg car park at 09:45.

Cost: Annual Membership: £10 for adults. £2.50 for under 16's. The initial two walks are free of charge.

For more information contact: Bill Lockyer: 07507674161

### **Bank of Scotland at the Hub**

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> October: 12:30pm - 2:30pm**

Dornoch Hub, Argyle Street, Dornoch

Our Community Bankers provide banking services and account support for customers who may not have a branch nearby. We have dedicated space in the Dornoch Hub. Call in and have a chat. We can help you with the following: Card and PIN services; Managing your account; Help with Internet Banking and our Mobile Banking app; Help with Telephone Banking and Payments and transfers.

For more information: [www.facebook.com/dornochhub](http://www.facebook.com/dornochhub)



FAMILY FUN AT HISTORYLINKS



ROYAL DORNOCH GOLF



SCENERY



CYCLING



DELICIOUS FOOD



WILDLIFE

FOR INFORMATION ON UPCOMING EVENTS  
AND SPECIALLY TAILORED, UNIQUE ACTIVITIES  
[WWW.VISITDORNOCH.COM](http://WWW.VISITDORNOCH.COM)

FOR WALKS DOWNLOAD THE  
DISCOVER DORNOCH APP  
[WWW.VISITDORNOCH.COM/APP](http://WWW.VISITDORNOCH.COM/APP)

**Dornoch**  
You can do it all from here

# Do more in...

October  
2024

## **Held on the High Wire**

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> October: 7:30pm (doors at 7pm)

Rosehall Village Hall, Rosehall, IV27 4EU

A candid, spellbinding multimedia performance that tells the story of Jenny's near death experience, sepsis survival, and new life on metal legs. Balancing urgency, reflection, humour and wonder, the show merges Jenny's raw, vulnerable memoir with Myshkin's haunting Folk/Jazz music. It explores sudden disability, queer family, resilience, love and transformation.

Made with the support of An Tobar and Mull Theatre, the Scottish Mental Health Arts Festival, and the Dumfries and Galloway Arts Festival.

Tickets: £15 or pay what you can

For more information: <https://l.facebook.com/l.php?u=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.myshkinwarbler.com%2Fheld-on-the-high-wire>

## **Charity Ceilidh Night**

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> October: 8pm

Ardross Community Hall, Ardross, AIness, IV17 0XW

Come join us for a night of fun and dancing with music by Dagger Gordon and Amy Henderson at the Ardross Community Hall! Our Charity Ceilidh Night is the perfect opportunity to let loose, enjoy some traditional Scottish music and dance, all while supporting a good cause. Bring your friends and family along for a lively evening filled with laughter and good vibes. Don't miss out on this chance to make a difference while having a great time!

Tickets: £15

For more information: Eventbrite: <https://tinyurl.com/3ke8f5au>

## **Dances with Flutes**

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October: 7pm

Rogart Mart, Rogart, IV28 3XA

Music for Flute Ensemble from around the world and across the ages, performed by FlutiNESS. Special guest singer: Aileen Ogilvie with Musical Director Liz Wilshaw.

Tickets: £10 (includes refreshments/baking)

For more information: [www.facebook.com/RogartMart](http://www.facebook.com/RogartMart)

## **Big Burn Basecamp**

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October: 10am - 4pm

Big Burn Top Car Park, Backies Road, Golspie, KW10 6RU

Our Basecamps are fantastic outdoor adventures for over 8-year-olds. We have a great mix of bushcraft, nature activities, natural crafts, games and exploring. The children will be outdoors all day although we provide a tarp for shelter, a portaloos for comfort and often have a campfire, hot chocolate and marshmallows! Please dress your children for all weathers and send with a packed lunch, drinks and snacks. A change of clothes is also a good idea!

Tickets: £32

For more information: <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/events/landing/68429>

# Do more in...

## October 2024

### **Aldie Burn Basecamp**

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October: 10am - 4pm

Aldie Burn Forestry Carpark, Scotsburn Road, Tain, IV19 1PU

Our Basecamps are fantastic outdoor adventures for over 8-year-olds. We have a great mix of bushcraft, nature activities, natural crafts, games and exploring. The children will be outdoors all day although we provide a tarp for shelter, a portaloos for comfort and often have a campfire, hot chocolate and marshmallows! Please dress your children for all weathers and send with a packed lunch, drinks and snacks. A change of clothes is also a good idea!

Tickets: £32

For more information: <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/events/landing/68430>

### **Dornoch Cinema Club**

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October: 7pm

Dornoch Community Centre (Social Club), School Hill

The cinema club meets monthly at the Dornoch Community Centre. The rules of membership and licensing mean the film cannot be promoted but a poster is displayed on the Community Centre notice board. With raffle.

For more information: [www.dadca.org.uk](http://www.dadca.org.uk)

Entry: £5

### **Monthly Quiz Night**

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October: 7:30pm (7pm Doors)

A fun evening for all with Cash prizes & Spot prizes. You don't need to be Brain of Britain for this (although it could help), just be up for a good night out! Max team size - 4. We will make up teams if you are fewer or alone. Refreshments included (BYOB).

Entry: £5—Profits go to support local good causes

For more information: [www.dadca.org.uk](http://www.dadca.org.uk)

### **Pumpkin Patch**

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> - Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October: 10am - 3pm

Davochfin Farm, Dornoch, IV25 3RW

Davochfin Farm launched Sutherland's very first Pumpkin Patch in 2023.

At Davochfin, we try to grow all the pumpkins we sell here on the farm. Pumpkin plants are very sensitive to the weather. They don't like it too hot or too cold, which is why we like to harvest our pumpkins before the first real frost - and why we open up the Pumpkin Patch during the second week of the October School holidays for you to come and pick your own.

Tickets: From £5

For more information: [www.davochfinfarm.co.uk](http://www.davochfinfarm.co.uk)



FOR INFORMATION ON UPCOMING EVENTS  
AND SPECIALLY TAILORED, UNIQUE ACTIVITIES  
[WWW.VISITDORNOCH.COM](http://WWW.VISITDORNOCH.COM)

FOR WALKS DOWNLOAD THE  
DISCOVER DORNOCH APP  
[WWW.VISITDORNOCH.COM/APP](http://WWW.VISITDORNOCH.COM/APP)

**Dornoch**  
You can do it all from here

# Do more in...

October  
2024

## **Sutherland Walkers: Balnacoil to Pollie**

Sunday 22nd September: 10am

Location: Balnacoil to Pollie

Approx. 13-16km / 8-10 miles, linear track, near to Black Water towards Pollie and return.

A car share is available with the following stops: Dornoch Square 09:00, Golspie 09:30, Brora Co-op 09:45, Rogart 09:45, Ardgay Station 09:30

Cost: Annual Membership: £10 for adults. £2.50 for under 16's. The initial two walks are free of charge.

For more information contact: Steve Farquharson at 01862 811381/07826 695721 or Bill Lockyer at 07507 674161

## **Film Showing: Crouching Tiger Hidden Dragon**

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October: 2pm (Doors at 1:30pm)

Seaboard Centre, East Street, Balintore, IV20 2UA

Immerse yourself in this stunning martial arts epic, where breathtaking choreography meets a tale of love, honour, and destiny. A must-see on the big screen!

Tickets: £6 - available at the Seaboard Centre Office or on Eventbrite

For more information: [www.eventbrite.com/o/cinema-at-the-seaboard-centre-78997819753](http://www.eventbrite.com/o/cinema-at-the-seaboard-centre-78997819753)

## **Dornoch Whisky Festival**

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> - Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October

Dornoch

The Dornoch Whisky Festival 2024 is back in full swing this year, running from Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October to Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2024. As a firm fixture in the autumn calendar, the festival offers a relaxing weekend of whisky-related activities in the beautiful Highland town of Dornoch.

Known for its warm, welcoming vibe, the festival proudly embraces its identity as a "wee festival" with a big whisky experience. One of the main highlights is our Grand Tasting, traditionally held on Saturday. This year, to welcome even more whisky enthusiasts, we've split the event into two sessions: a morning tasting from 11:30am to 2:20pm, and an afternoon session from 3:30pm to 6:30pm.

Across both sessions, we're expecting around 400 attendees, all eager to sample some of Scotland's finest whiskies. With over 20 exhibitors, the drams will be fantastic—but it's not just about the whisky. The Grand Tasting is a chance to meet industry experts, connect with fellow whisky lovers, and discover everything from classic malts to rare editions, all sure to please your palate.

On top of the Grand Tasting, the festival offers a host of other fantastic events throughout the weekend. Enjoy exquisite dinners at Dornoch Castle Hotel and Links House at Royal Dornoch, along with exclusive brand tastings at the Eagle Hotel, Royal Dornoch Golf Club, and specialist tastings hosted by Dornoch Distillery and the Carnegie Whisky Cellars—plus much more to explore across the weekend.

For more information: <https://dornochwhiskyfestival.com>



# Do more in...

## October 2024

### **Film Showing: Polite Society**

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October: 7:30pm - 9:30pm (Doors at 7pm)

Seaboard Centre, East Street, Balintore, IV20 2UA

Get ready for a fresh and fierce action-comedy! Follow an aspiring stuntwoman who takes on her biggest mission yet—saving her sister from an unwanted marriage.

Tickets: £6 - available at the Seaboard Centre Office or on Eventbrite

For more information: [www.eventbrite.com/o/cinema-at-the-seaboard-centre-78997819753](http://www.eventbrite.com/o/cinema-at-the-seaboard-centre-78997819753)



### **Lichen Safari at Big Burn Golspie**

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> October: 1pm - 3pm

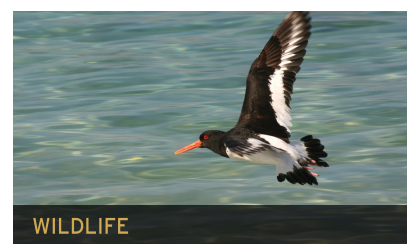
Big Burn Walk, Old Bank Road, Golspie, KW10 6RU

Do you like Lichen? Have you never heard of it before but interested to know more? Join the Ranger for a short walk to discover a whole new world!

Lichen are a combination of fungi and algae working together to support each other and they come in a variety of colours, shapes, sizes and forms. They were one of the first organisms to start colonising the earth and they can tell us a lot about our environment. They are well worth getting to know better.

Tickets: We ask for donations for this event to help with our work, which goes towards education about and protection of the nature of the Highlands. Please give what you feel you can afford. We suggest a minimum donation of £10 per person to cover our costs or £25 per person to further support our work.

For more information: [marcia.o'hara@highlifehighland.com](mailto:marcia.o'hara@highlifehighland.com)



FOR INFORMATION ON UPCOMING EVENTS  
AND SPECIALLY TAILORED, UNIQUE ACTIVITIES  
[WWW.VISITDORNOCH.COM](http://WWW.VISITDORNOCH.COM)

FOR WALKS DOWNLOAD THE  
DISCOVER DORNOCH APP  
[WWW.VISITDORNOCH.COM/APP](http://WWW.VISITDORNOCH.COM/APP)

**Dornoch**  
You can do it all from here