

BARHILL WOODLAND FESTIVAL 2021



10AM - 3PM
10TH – 12TH SEPTEMBER

A partnership event between Kirkcudbright Development Trust and Kirkcudbright Summer Festivities, supported by the Galloway Glens.



MINI BEAST HUNTING

Carys Mainprize from the Crichton Carbon Centre and their Biosphere Explorers project will lead pre-schoolers on an adventure hunt for mini-beasts through the woods. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

FRIDAY 10-11AM, 11AM-12PM

FREE EVENT

ART IN NATURE

Carys is back for the afternoon, showing pre-schoolers and their adults how to make amazing art and sculptures just from what you find in a forest.

FRIDAY 1-2PM, 2-3PM

FREE EVENT

UNICORN WALKS!

This is too exciting! Go on an adventure through the woods to find a real live Unicorn*. If we find him, he might take us on a walk in his woods, and let us know all the ways in which we need to protect his world.

*Not a real Unicorn. But awesome nonetheless!

FRIDAY 10AM, 11AM, 1PM, 2PM

SATURDAY 10AM, 11AM, 1PM, 2PM

FREE EVENT

WOODLAND ART

Amy Murray of Nest Nurturing Futures will be leading an art session for under 9s - see what you can find in the woods to make art with! All children must be accompanied by an adult.

FRIDAY 11AM-12PM

FREE EVENT

POLE LATHE - GREEN WOOD TURNING WORKSHOP

If you've always wanted to get your hands on a pole lathe, now's your chance! Join experienced woodworker Rolf Buwert for a wood-turning session suitable for people who can concentrate for 2 hours! Booking essential, £5 per head. All equipment provided.

FRIDAY 1-3PM

£5/HEAD

BOOKING ESSENTIAL!

FIREWOOD SAWING

Gavin Philips of Shed Therapy will be demonstrating his nifty sawing equipment - come along to pick up some tips!

FRIDAY, 1-3PM

SATURDAY, 1-3PM

FREE EVENT - JUST DROP IN!

INTERACTIVE STORYTELLING

Amy's back for some interactive storytelling - settle in for some excellent woodland tales. Suitable for accompanied under-9s.

FRIDAY

1.30-3PM

FREE EVENT

DENDROCHRONOLOGY TOUR

Join Coralie Mills of Dendrochronicle for a tour of the history of the Barhill Woods as seen through the ages of the trees. Including a tree-coring demonstration.

FRIDAY 2-3.30PM

SATURDAY 10-11 1.30AM

FREE EVENT

LIGHT SHOW

The woodland behind the Outdoor Classroom will be lit up for a peaceful wander each evening.

FRIDAY 7-9PM

SATURDAY 7-9PM

SUNDAY 7-9PM

FREE EVENT - JUST DROP IN!

POETRY EXHIBITION

The GCAT 'Ken Words' project helps people draw inspiration from their landscapes through writing. In Spring 2019, they came to Barhill Woods, and this exhibition is just some of their writing and photos from that event. On display in the Outdoor Classroom throughout the Festival.

**FRIDAY, SATURDAY
& SUNDAY
FREE EVENT**

PINE MARTEN AND SQUIRREL TALK

Stephanie Johnstone of the D&G Pine Martin Group will give a fascinating insight into the relationship between these two amazing animals. Free event, but booking essential - limited spaces as this is an indoor event (Classroom)

**FRIDAY
7PM**

FREE EVENT

BOOKING ESSENTIAL!

'WOODLAND BIRDS FOR BEGINNERS' WALK

Gavin Chambers will lead a walk around the woodlands, hoping to spot and identify some of the many species that call Barhill woods their home. Quiet people of all ages welcome!

**SATURDAY
10-11AM
FREE EVENT**

DEN MAKING

Join Karen Slattery and her forest school team to get your hands dirty in the woods! First up is den-making. Suitable for children up to 12, accompanied by an adult.

SATURDAY
10-11AM
FREE EVENT

FIRE MAKING

Next the team will be turning their attention to fire-making! Suitable for 5 - 16 year olds. Under 12s must be accompanied by an adult.

SATURDAY
11-12NOON
FREE EVENT

FOREST SCHOOL

Karen and the team will be putting on a range of Forest School activities suitable for under 12s with their accompanying adults - find out just how much fun there is to be had in the forest!

SATURDAY
1-3PM
FREE EVENT
JUST DROP IN!

VIKING CRAFT DEMONSTRATIONS

The Vikings are here! Join the team from Cluaran Haven for demonstrations and hands-on activities, from Torc-making to net-weaving to leather-marking. But where will you bury your Hoard when you've made it?!

SATURDAY 10AM-12PM, 1-3PM
SUNDAY 10AM-12PM, 1-3PM
FREE EVENT - JUST DROP IN!

HAMMER MAKING

Steven Whitehead will be demonstrating the ancient art of hammer-making in this drop-in workshop. come and see how it's done!

SATURDAY 10AM-12PM, 1-3PM
SUNDAY 10AM-12PM, 1-3PM
FREE EVENT - JUST DROP IN!

VAMPIRE STAKE WHITTling

It's very important to keep the vampires at bay, so if you've got some little ones who want to be prepared (and can handle a sharp knife with some confidence), come along to make your very own stake!

SATURDAY 10AM-12PM
SUNDAY 10AM-12PM, 1-3PM
FREE EVENT - JUST DROP IN!

POLE LATHE - GREEN WOOD TURNING DEMO

Rolf is back with his pole lathe, this time demonstrating the art of green wood turning. But if you ask him nicely, you might be able to get a go!

SATURDAY 10AM-12PM, 1-3PM
SUNDAY 10AM-12PM, 1-3PM
FREE EVENT - JUST DROP IN!

DEMO - MAKING KITCHEN IMPLEMENTS

Stuart Morrison will be demonstrating how to make a range of kitchen implements from wooden blanks - stop by to see the skills!

SATURDAY 10AM-12PM
SUNDAY 10AM-12PM
FREE EVENT - JUST DROP IN!

TREE IDENTIFICATION WALK

Chris Ingram will lead a tour round the barhill trees, which only benefit from closer inspection. Learn all those tree names you always meant to!

SATURDAY 2-3PM
SUNDAY 2-3PM
FREE EVENT

EVENING BBQ FAMILIES UP TO 12 YEARS

The Kirkcudbright Youth Club and Kirkcudbright Rotary are putting on an evening BBQ to celebrate the festival. Saturday evening is for families with children up to 12 years. Cash donations appreciated.

SATURDAY 6-8PM
FREE EVENT - JUST DROP IN!

WILDLIFE PHOTOGRAPHY COURSE

Join local photographer Alan McFadden for tips and tricks on improving or starting out in wildlife photography. There's no better place to do that than the Barhill Red Squirrel hide! Booking essential - limited spaces.

SUNDAY 9-11AM
£10/HEAD **BOOKING ESSENTIAL!**

MORE WOODLAND ART

Amy Murray and Lizzie Priestly of Nest Nurturing Futures are back on Sunday for some more woodland art activities.

SUNDAY
10AM-12PM
FREE EVENT - JUST DROP IN!

FOREST SCHOOL

Amy and Lizzie will be leading some Forest School activities in the woodland, suitable for accompanied under 12s. Loads of fun in the forest!

SUNDAY
1-3PM
FREE EVENT - JUST DROP IN!

EVENING BBQ 12+

The Kirkcudbright Youth Club and Kirkcudbright Rotary are back with a second BBQ to celebrate the festival, this time for young people 12+. Cash donations appreciated.

SUNDAY 7-9PM
FREE EVENT - JUST DROP IN!

Thanks so much to all our volunteers, partners, deliverers and funders who have made this event possible.

For more details about this event, or about any of the deliverers, contact
Helen.Keron@dumgal.gov.uk

Our support from the Galloway Glens (using their National Lottery Heritage Fund grant) and from Dumfries and Galloway Council's 'Community Events' fund has allowed us to put on most of these events for free. However, if you would like to see the festival continue into 2022, please consider making a donation to the Kirkcudbright Summer Festivities when you attend.

find out more at

WWW.KIRKCUDBRIGHT.TOWN

WWW.GALLOWAYGLENS.ORG

SOME PRACTICALITIES

COVID

Most activities at this Festival are available to just turn up at, and almost all are outdoors. Despite the relaxing of COVID restrictions, please continue to be respectful of the deliverers, volunteers and other attendees' personal space. If one station is busy, just move on to the next!

Please note that the programme may change - please see the website for the most up to date information.

SOME EVENTS ARE BOOKABLE

Make sure you've read the programme carefully to avoid disappointment!

PARKING

There is NO PARKING at the woods throughout this event. The top and bottom car parks will be out of bounds each day. Please park in the town centre and walk up, or use the FREE SHUTTLE BUS to access the woods. It will shuttle to and from the Harbour Square each day of the festival from 10-3. Limited parking available in the evenings.

ACCESSIBILITY

The main path in the woodland is wheelchair accessible, but unfortunately, not all the activity stations will be. Contact Helen.Keron@dumgal.gov.uk for more details. There will be limited disabled parking spots available for drop-offs and pick-ups at the top carpark.

There will be temporary toilets (portaloos) available behind the Classroom for the duration of the Festival.

NOTE

There is no food and drink available at the woodland apart from the evening bbqs. Please be sure to bring enough for yourself and your group for your stay.

This is the first time we've done this, so please be kind!

