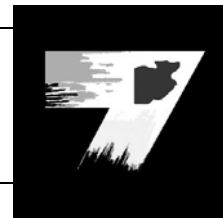


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of requirements phone Lyn Ball 01955 611339.

## **Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> August**

### **Violin/Piano Sutherland Duo Recital**

The programme includes works by Mozart, Brahms and Spanish composer Pablo Sarasate. Lyth Arts Centre, by Wick. Contact: 01955 641270. [www.lytharts.org.uk](http://www.lytharts.org.uk)

## **Saturday, 9<sup>th</sup> August**

### **Taste of Tartan Ceilidh**

See entry under 5<sup>th</sup> July.

## **Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> August**

### **'Bee Keeping in Caithness'**

An illustrated talk & slide show given by Robin Inglis, Vice President of Orlig & District Bee Keepers Association. Venue: Church Hall, Moray Street, Wick. 7.30pm. £1.50 entrance includes refreshment.

Further details from Lyn Ball 01955 611 339

## **Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> August**

### **Wick RBLs Pipe Band**

Scottish Variety Show, Pipe Band Hall, High Street, Wick. £5/£3. 8pm.

## **Saturday, 16<sup>th</sup> August**

### **Wick RBLs Pipe Band**

Street Parade with Highland Dancers, Market Sq, Wick. 7.30pm.

## **Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup> August**

### **Caithness Highland Games and Gathering**

Traditional Highland games. John O'Groats. £4/£2 OAP. 1pm – 5pm. Contact: [pmbain67@btinternet.com](mailto:pmbain67@btinternet.com) / 01847 841268.

## **Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> August**

### **Wick RBLs Pipe Band**

Scottish Variety Show, Pipe Band Hall, High Street, Wick. £5/£3. 8pm.

## **Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> August**

### **Triple C C.M.C.**

Dance To Father & Son Duo DOUBLE TROUBLE. Location: FRANCIS STREET CLUB WICK. Price: MEMBERS £10 NON MEMBERS £12. 9pm – 1pm. Contact: [sandy44dunbar@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:sandy44dunbar@yahoo.co.uk). Phone: Willie on 01955 604130 or Sandy on 01955 605212.

## **Saturday, 23<sup>rd</sup> August**

### **Taste of Tartan Ceilidh**

See entry under 5<sup>th</sup> July.

## **Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> August**

### **Caithness Quilters**

Bags Beautiful! Please bring at least one bag and, if possible, a pattern or tips on how to make it. Introduction to Polymer Clay Beads. Skills Slot on Rotary Cutting - Straight and Curved. Show and Tell. Pulteneytown Parish Church Hall, Wick. 7pm – 9pm. Contact: Valerie on [valeriebarker@ezeedsl.co.uk](mailto:valeriebarker@ezeedsl.co.uk)

## **Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> August – Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> Sept International Master Class: Session 2 – 'Tradition and Innovation'. Jiri Harcuba and April Surgent.**

A course in which students reexamine the various techniques of glass engraving. North Lands Creative Glass, Lybster. Contact Lorna on 01593 721229 for more details.

## **Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> August – Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> Sept International Master Class: Session 3 – 'Articulating Ideas into Objects'. Richard Jolley.**

This class will deal primarily with glass as a sculptural medium for expression. North Lands Creative Glass, Lybster. Contact Lorna on 01593 721229 for more details.

## **Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> August**

### **MsFits Theatre Company Production**

'Sex and Chocolate'. 8pm. £8/£6. The Mill Theatre, Thurso. Contact: 01847 896956

## **Wick RBLs Pipe Band**

Scottish Variety Show, Pipe Band Hall, High Street, Wick. £5/£3. 8pm.

## **Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> August**

### **Caithness Floral Art Club**

Demonstration. Global Extravaganza. Sharon Stevenson from Thurso. Location: Main Hall North Highland College Thurso. Price: Annual £26 Visitor £5. 7.30pm – 9.30pm. Web Link: [www.caithness.org/community/clubs/caithness floral art club](http://www.caithness.org/community/clubs/caithness%20floral%20art%20club). E-Mail: [flocom04@btinternet.com](mailto:flocom04@btinternet.com)

## **Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> August**

### **Northern Nashville Country Music Club**

Ian Cal-Ford & The Rainmen plus Trevor James  
See details under 25<sup>th</sup> July.

## **Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup> August**

### **Caithness Quilters**

Big Bags (and little ones too). Member led workshop or Sew Your Own Thing. Pulteneytown Parish Church Hall, Wick. 10am – 4pm. Contact: Valerie on [valeriebarker@ezeedsl.co.uk](mailto:valeriebarker@ezeedsl.co.uk)

## **Sunday, 31<sup>st</sup> August**

### **Castletown Heritage Workshops**

**DRIFTWOOD.** See entry under 3<sup>rd</sup> August.

If you would like your arts event listed in our next edition or would like to receive future copies by email, contact Linda Hutton, Arts Co-Ordinator on 01847 895545 or [adnil72@gmail.com](mailto:adnil72@gmail.com). Our What's On Guide and Newsletter are also available on our website at : [www.caithnessarts.org.uk](http://www.caithnessarts.org.uk)

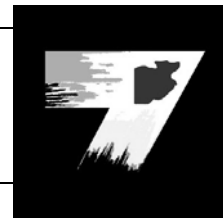
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All details are believed to be correct at time of going to press.

Please check with venue or organiser for any unexpected change of venue, time or artists.

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## Every Saturday

### Caithness Handbell Ringers

No experience necessary. All welcome. BB Hall, Thurso.  
10am – noon. Contact: Lyn 01955 611339

## Summer Season

### Lybster Art Classes

Painting and drawing with professional tuition. 7pm –  
9pm. Lybster Outdoor Bowling Hall. Contact: Lydia on  
01593 721318.

## Until Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> July

### Wick RBLs Pipe Band Week

Buskers in Wick Square all week. See daily entries for  
activities. Contact for all Wick Pipe Band events is John  
Bogle, 01955 603080

## Until Saturday, 12<sup>th</sup> July

### St Fergus Gallery – Scape and Landscape

A photographic exhibition highlighting the plight of  
Scotland's threatened coastlines. Featuring  
award-winning images taken by members of the public.  
Also selected seascapes from the Highland Council's  
SAC collection. [www.scapetrust.org/ctc/](http://www.scapetrust.org/ctc/). St Fergus Gallery,  
Wick. M, T, Th 12 to 5.30pm, Fr 2 to 8pm, Sat 10.30am to  
1pm, Closed Wed & Sun

### Swanson Gallery – Cats by Louis Wain

Louis Wain studied at West London School of Art and  
began his career as an art journalist. However it was for  
his pictures of cats that he became famous. A delightful  
selection of Louis Wain's very recognisable and much  
loved cats. Swanson Gallery, Thurso. M, T, W - 1 to 5pm,  
Fr - 1 to 8pm, Sat - 10am to 1pm

## Every Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday Evening

### Tanya Horne School of Dancing

Traditional and modern highland dancing with the  
option of dancing at fundraisers, demonstrations and  
competitions. Great exercise for kids. Tanya has 5 years  
teaching experience and 17 years dancing experience.  
£12 per month (£3 per lesson). Contact:  
[tanyahorne17@hotmail.com](mailto:tanyahorne17@hotmail.com)

## Every Tuesday

### St John's Ringers

Ring weekly on Tuesday mornings 11am - 12.30pm.  
Beginners especially welcome. No previous musical  
experience necessary. Call Lyn Ball 01955 611339.

## Regular Classes

### Highland Dancing

Waterfront, Wick. For children 5+. Contact Lorraine  
on 07769 736006 for more details.

## Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> July – Sunday, 31<sup>st</sup> August

### Seven Simultaneous Exhibitions of Painting,

**Craft and Photography.** Lyth Arts Centre, by Wick.  
£2/£1/£0.50. Contact: 01955 641270. Daily noon – 5pm.  
See [www.lytharts.org.uk](http://www.lytharts.org.uk) for full details.

## Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> July

### Wick RBLs Pipe Band

Prize bingo. Francis Street Club, Wick. 8pm.

## Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> July

### Salsa Lessons

Note: the absolute beginners are welcome to join the  
beginners class at 8pm. Salsa lessons provided for:  
Absolute beginners (free) - 7:15pm - 8:00pm Beginners  
– 8pm – 9pm at the Boys' Brigade Hall, Wick. Ages 12  
to 16 to be accompanied by an adult. £5 per person/£8  
per couple. Contact: [shix@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:shix@hotmail.co.uk) or call Steve  
Hicks 01847 851778 / 07840 090038

### Wick RBLs Pipe Band

Tea Dance, Pipe Band Hall, High Street, Wick 2pm. £2

### Wick RBLs Pipe Band

Scottish Variety Show, Pipe Band Hall, High Street,  
Wick 8pm. £5/£3

## Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> July

### Summer Salsa

Salsa lessons provided for: Absolute beginners (free)  
7pm – 8pm, Beginners 8pm – 9pm, Improvers – 9pm –  
10pm. Venue: Scrabster Hall. Ages 12 -16 to be  
accompanied by an adult. Note: the absolute beginners  
are welcome to join the beginners class at 8:00. Price:  
£5 per person/£8 per couple. Contact: Steve Hicks on  
01847 851778 / 07840090038

### Wick RBLs Pipe Band

Old Time Scottish Dance. Town & County Club, Wick.  
8pm. £2

## Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> July

### Wick RBLs Pipe Band

Quiz Night, Nethercliffe Hotel, Louisburgh Street,  
Wick. 8pm.

## Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> July – Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup> July

**International Master Class. Session 1: Bullseye  
Master Class, 'Sources of Inspiration' 'Duo in Still  
Life'. Bullseye Master Class with Deborah Horrell and  
Mel George.** This class will use various mould making  
techniques, glass bodies (powders, frits, billets etc) and  
packing techniques to allow for both hollow and solid  
cast vessels. North Lands Creative Glass, Lybster.  
Contact: Lorna, 01593 721229 for more info.

## Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> July

### Taste of Tartan Ceilidh

Taste of Tartan are holding a series of Ceilidhs during

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the coming summer months. Local artistes will provide entertainment, and demonstrations of highland dancing will be given. Funds are being raised to assist with the travel costs of a visit to mark the 75th anniversary of the Markelo Folklore Society in the Netherlands in 2009. This was the group who performed and made so many friends in Caithness in 2004. Taste of Tartan will be organising the visit to Holland by the Thurso Pipe Band, the Caithness Junior Pipe Band, and the Mina Mackay Highland Dancers, who will all be performing at the Markelo festival along with dancers and musicians from many other countries. Royal British Legion, Thurso. £3 (Children free). 8pm – midnight. Contact: 01847 841268

## **Wick RBLs Pipe Band**

Fun Night, Market Square, Wick, pipe band in fancy dress, plus Highland Dancers and various stalls. 7pm.

## **Swanson Gallery – Painting Workshop**

Painting workshop for 8-12yr olds. 10.30am -noon. The subject is cats. To coincide with our exhibition, Cats by Louis Wain. £2. Booking essential. Phone 896357. Contact [adrian.clark@highland.gov.uk](mailto:adrian.clark@highland.gov.uk)

## **Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> July**

### **'58 Degrees North'**

An illustrated talk & slide show about Caithness & the natural history of Caithness given by Ken Crossan. Venue: Church Hall Moray Street, Wick. 7.30pm. £1.50 incl. refreshment. Contact: Lyn Ball 01955 611339

## **Wednesday, 9<sup>th</sup> July**

### **Wick RBLs Pipe Band**

Scottish Variety Show, Pipe Band Hall, Wick. 8pm. £5/£3

## **Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> July**

### **Open Mic. Night**

An open mic. night to encourage material to jazz-tinged sounds. All musicians very welcome. This event is run by Scotia Review. Location: Y-Not Bar, Thurso. Price: Free. 9pm – 11.30pm. Contact: [batesonken@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:batesonken@yahoo.co.uk) / 01847821398 musicians of all abilities to take part. Featuring live music by various local performers: from acoustic based

## **Saturday, 12<sup>th</sup> July**

### **Wick RBLs Pipe Band**

Street Parade with Highland Dancers, Market Square, Wick. 7.30pm.

## **Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> July**

### **Wick RBLs Pipe Band**

Scottish Variety Show, Pipe Band Hall, High Street, Wick. £5/£3. 8pm.

## **Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> and Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> July**

### **Patchwork Pleasures Caithness**

Monthly Patchwork & Quilting workshops in Freswick

Community Hall. Patchwork for the Body & Soul: a two day workshop with guest Quilter Elizabeth Shapland from Alaska including a 'show & tell' and the making of a stunning waistcoat. The workshops run from 10am - 4pm each day. Morning coffee, lunch & Afternoon tea included. Food and baking all home made. For booking and further details including list of requirements phone Lyn Ball 01955 611339

## **Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> July**

### **Wick Town Improvements**

#### **Annual Art Exhibition – Handing in Day**

Wick Youth Club. 10am – noon. 5 items may be submitted per person. Name of artist, address, tel. number, title of work, medium and selling price should be indicated on the back of each piece. Pictures should be framed, but clip frames will not be accepted. They should also have hanging rings where appropriate. There will be no hanging fee but 10% commission will be charged on all items sold during the exhibition.

## **Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> July**

### **Thurso Players Junior/Youth Section**

**Whoops!** 12 public performances. 7.30pm. £5/£3. The Mill Theatre, Thurso. Contact: 01847 896956

## **Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> July**

### **Triple C C.M.C.**

Dance To MICHAEL JAMES From The U.S.A. Plus SLANGE AVA. Location: FRANCIS STREET CLUB WICK. Price: MEMBERS £10 NON MEMBERS £12.9pm – 1am. E-Mail: [sandy44dunbar@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:sandy44dunbar@yahoo.co.uk) Phone: Willie on 01955 604130 or Sandy on 01955 605212.

## **'THE BIG GIG' Film and Music Festival 2008**

**DAY ONE: Mixed Short Films.** Doors 2.45pm - Prog: 3.15pm. Films suitable for AGE 10 years and over.

**'Monsters Of The Id'.** Doors 5.45pm - Prog: 6.15pm. Certificate 12 (BBFC) 12 years and over only.

**'Beautiful Daydreams'.** Doors open 8.25pm Prog: 8.45pm. Films suitable for AGE 15 years and over. Venue: Royal British Legion, Thurso. Tickets: Adults/15 yrs+ - £3.00. Under 15's/children - please note age restrictions on each programme. Proof of age may be requested. Now open for 2009 entries at [www.thursopicturehouse.piczo.com](http://www.thursopicturehouse.piczo.com) with event updates at [www.bebo.com/THEBIGGIG](http://www.bebo.com/THEBIGGIG).

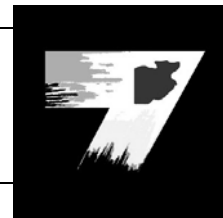
## **Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> July – Saturday, 9<sup>th</sup> August**

### **Swanson Gallery – Ana Pacheco, Prints.**

Ana Maria Pacheco is an artist of extraordinary diversity. Her work ranges from painting and sculpture to printmaking and draws on a wide variety of cultural references that include Brazilian folklore, classical myth, Catholic ritual and medieval satire. Swanson Gallery, Thurso.

## **Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> July – Saturday, 16<sup>th</sup> August**

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## Highland Printmakers Exhibition

Original print – an exhibition of contemporary hand-made artists' prints. St Fergus Gallery, Wick.

**Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> July - Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> July**

## Wick Town Improvements Annual Art Exhibition

Wick Youth Club, Wick. Opening times: 19<sup>th</sup>: 2pm – 5pm. 20<sup>th</sup>: 11am – 5pm. 21<sup>st</sup>: 10am – 5pm. 22<sup>nd</sup>: 11am – 8pm. 23<sup>rd</sup>: 11am – 5pm. 24<sup>th</sup>: 11am – 4pm.

**Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> July**

## Open Mic. Night

Open mic. night featuring live music by various local performers: from acoustic based material to jazz-tinged sounds. All musicians welcome. This event is run by Scotia Review. Location: Y-Not Bar, Thurso. Price: Free. 8.30pm – 11.15pm. Contact: batesonken@yahoo.co.uk / 01847821398

## 'THE BIG GIG' Film and Music Festival 2008

**DAY TWO: Local Short Films.** Doors 5.45pm - Prog 6.15pm. Films suitable for AGE 10 years and over. **'Ascension'** Doors 8.25pm - Prog 8.45pm. (Ends approx 10.45pm) Suitable for 18 years and over. For more information, see entry under 18<sup>th</sup> July.

**Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> July**

## Wick RBLs Pipe Band

Scottish Variety Show, Pipe Band Hall, High Street, Wick. £5/£3. 8pm.

**Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> July**

## Northern Nashville Country Music Club

James Quinn and band plus Bill Alexander. Royal British £8 members and visitors, £10 non-members. Legion Clubrooms, Riverside Road, Thurso. Doors 7pm. 8pm – 1.15am. All welcome. For tickets and further details contact Christine on 01847 892410 / www.nncnc.co.uk

**Saturday, 26<sup>th</sup> July**

## Halkirk Highland Games

Recreational Park, Halkirk. 12pm – 5.30pm. Contact: ashleigh43@talktalk.net / 01847 831287 / halkirkgames.co.uk

## Society of Caithness Artists

Handing in day/membership registration (£5). 10am – 2pm. 10am until 2pm. Space is limited and number of submissions allowed will depend on the size of your work. Only original and recent work is permitted and must be properly prepared for hanging. No photographs, computer or commercial print

**Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> July**

## 'THE BIG GIG' Film and Music Festival

**DAY THREE:** Mackay's Hotel, Wick. \*different supporting programme. **'Monsters Of The Id'**. Doors open 6.00pm - Prog: 6.30pm. Certificate 12 (BBFC)

12yrs +. **'Ascension'**. Doors 8.40pm - Prog 9.00pm. (Ends approx 10.45pm) Suitable for 18 years and over. For more information, see entry under 18<sup>th</sup> July.

**Tuesday, 29<sup>th</sup> July – Saturday, 9<sup>th</sup> August**

## 73<sup>rd</sup> Society of Caithness Artists Annual Show

The show will be open from 2pm until 5pm & 6.30pm-9pm each day except for Sunday – closed, and the final day, when it's open from 2pm until 4pm. Entry free.

**Tuesday, 29<sup>th</sup> July**

## Caithness Quilters

Final preparation for Gala Exhibition. Skills Slot on Japanese Folded Patchwork. Spring Workshops Show and Tell. 7.30pm – 9.30pm. Pulteneytown Parish Church Hall, Wick. Contact: Valerie on valeriebarker@ezeedsl.co.uk

**Wednesday, 30<sup>th</sup> July**

## Wick RBLs Pipe Band

Scottish Variety Show, Pipe Band Hall, High Street, Wick. £5/£3. 8pm.

**Thursday, 31<sup>st</sup> July**

## Caithness Quilters

Gala exhibition held jointly with Wick WRI. Wick Assembly Rooms. 10am – 4pm. Contact: Valerie on valeriebarker@ezeedsl.co.uk

**Thursday, 31<sup>st</sup> July – Saturday, 2<sup>nd</sup> August**

## Thurso Players Production - 'Art'

8pm. £7/£5. The Mill Theatre, Thurso. Contact: 01847 896956

**Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> August**

## Castletown Heritage Workshops

**DRIFTWOOD.** Find your creative wave. A series of art workshops run by John McLeod of Thurso in conjunction with Castletown Heritage. Using natural driftwood and other materials from your own coastline to create art pieces to inspire. Venue: Castletown Heritage Centre. 10am – 4pm. Materials required will be provided. Booking essential. Contact: 01847 890983

**Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> August**

## Wick RBLs Pipe Band

Scottish Variety Show, Pipe Band Hall, High Street, Wick. £5/£3. 8pm.

## Violin and Piano Workshops & Master Classes

Professional musicians Harriet Mackenzie and Christine Lawrie offer a day of tuition for students of all abilities. Lyth Arts Centre, by Wick. Contact 01955 641270 for full details. www.lytharts.org.uk

**Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> and Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> August**

## Patchwork Pleasures Caithness

Monthly Patchwork & Quilting workshops in Freswick Community Hall. A really useful bag workshop. 10am - 4pm. Morning coffee, lunch & Afternoon tea incl. Food & baking home made. Booking & further details incl. list