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Pitlochry Festival Theatre see web-
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www.PitlochryFestivalTheatre.com

A selection of 5 plays including;

Kiss Me Kate - Romantic, touching and
hilariously funny, with a classic Cole
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**1st/6th/7th/9th/17th/23rd/28th/
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Noises Off - a hilarious classic com-
edy! **2nd/5th/10th/17th/22nd/30th**

Rough Crossing - A wickedly funny
nautical comedy!

3rd/7th/10th/19th/24/29th

Bus Stop - A bittersweet American Ro-
mance. **3rd/8th/16th/21st/24th/2
7th/28th**

An Ideal Husband - Wilde's sharp,
elegant, stylish comedy-drama explores
the dangers inherent in a life lived in the
public spotlight is not to be missed!

15th/20th/21st/26th/31st

Tel: Box Office: 01796 484 626

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**April to end of September 2.00 –
4.00 commencing .**

**"Handbell Harmony" in Dunkeld
Cathedral**

**Performances in Dunkeld Cathedral
on most Wednesdays throughout
the summer,**

Heather and her fellow soloist Margaret
Davidson perform as the duo "Handbell
Harmony" in Dunkeld Cathedral on
Wednesday afternoons throughout the
summer.

Solo ringing throughout the summer by
Heather I. McLean, one of the country's
few accomplished handbell soloists. Solo
ringing is most unusual. It is fascinating
to watch and lovely to hear. **(Small
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ally.) Come and listen for a while.**

**No charge – freewill dona-
tion. Contact Tourist Information
Office, Tel: 01350 727688**

www.dunkeld-handbells.co.uk

**Sundays & Wednesdays in July
11:30am**

Garden Tours

**Explorers Garden, Pitlochry Festival
Theatre**

Led by experienced guides who bring
Explorers to life. £4 includes garden
entry. Tel 01796 484626

www.exploretsgarden.com

**Saturday 29th May - 25th July
10am - 5.30pm**

**Art Exhibition Fourth Element
11: Urban Art in the Highlands
Watermill Gallery, Mill St. Aber-
feldy**

Urban Art returns to the Watermill with
an exhibition featuring prints by Banksy,
Blek le Rat, D*Face, Dolk, Eelus, Elph,
Faile and Shepard Fairey among others.
Tel: 01887 822896

More details can be viewed at [http://
www.aberfeldywatermill.com/art/
exhibition/fourth-element-ii-urban-art-
highlands](http://www.aberfeldywatermill.com/art/exhibition/fourth-element-ii-urban-art-highlands)

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Country Sports Experience

www.countrysportscotland.com

tour is a fun way to discover more of the estate. Numbers are limited to 30 people per tour and advance booking is recommended. Adults £5, Children (under 16) £3 Tel - 01796 481207 Email: rebeccam@atholl-estates.co.uk Web www.atholl-estates.co.uk

Thursday 1st July 10.30am - 12.00midday
SQUIRRELTASTIC
Atholl Estates Ranger Service, Blair Atholl
 Find out more about our treetop friends. Meet at Glen Tilt Car Park, by Blair Atholl. Cost: £1 per child phone 01796 481355 or 481646
pf@atholl-estates.co.uk
www.athollestatesrangerservice.co.uk

Thursdays 7pm - 10pm
Och Aye McKay every Thursday
Mckays Bar & Reataurant, Atholl Road Pitlochry
 - a great mix of Scottish entertainment. Drew Scott entertains while Lisa & Fiona on fiddle and accordion will teach you to Ceilidh dance! Hopefully one of tthe local pipe band will pop in too. A great night for all and it's free entry. Test your knowledge with the famous Och Aye McKay Quiz and take home a fantastic (remember you're in Scotland) prize!! Join in from anytime between 7pm & 10pm for some Scottish fun. Tel: 01796473888 . Email: info@mckayshotel.co.uk
www.mckayshotel.co.uk

Thursday 1st July 8pm
Simon Yates Beyond the Void
The Birnam Art Centre Birnam by Dunkeld
 Simon Yates first became known as "the man who cut the rope" holding Joe Simpson during a disastrous descent from Peru's Siula Grande in 1985, a story immortalised in the film 'Touching the Void'. 20 years on, Simon is one of the most successful mountaineers of his time, and is touring the UK with his entertaining and inspiring lecture. Simon's dry wit, philosophical approach and stunning images transport his audience to some of the highest and most treacherous peaks in the world, giving a real in-

sight into the mountain environment and the extreme mental and physical challenge of climbing. Tickets: £12 / £10 Tel Box office 01350 727674
www.birnamarts.com

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Castle Menzies Weem, by Aberfeldy
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Friday 2nd July 09:00 until Monday 12th July at 22:00
Kenmore Festival
Location: Kenmore
 Kenmore Festival includes special offers on riding at Mains of Taymouth Stables, Golf at Mains of Taymouth Golf Course, Coffee Shop & Crafts/ Gifts at Karelia House; Loch Tay Boat-ing Centre, Free Spirits White Water Rafting & Highland Safaris.
Friday 2nd -12th Iron Age exhibitions including hollowed out log boats. The Scottish Crannog Centre.
Saturday 3rd and Sunday 4th Treasure Hunt The Courtyard Shop
Sunday 4th Historic Rally Cars
Wednesday 7th Kenmore Highland Games from 5.30 to 9.30pm. Sports Field. Adults £5, children free.
Monday 5th and Wednesday 10am -Escorted Walks from Kenmore Hotel
Saturday 10th from 3pm Spit Roast and Real Ale - The Courtyard 01887 830763
 Scottish Crannog Centre - Hollowed out log boats for hire and lots of Iron Age Exhibitions 01887 830583

Friday 2nd July 7-10pm
Pictism Pictism
Mckays Bar & Restaurant, Atholl Rd, Pitlochry
 - A traditional two piece from Edinburgh playing a mixture of Scots and Irish tunes and songs. The song's they perform can either be from within the last couple of hundred years such as Robert Burns or Robert Tannahill songs or the may be of an older tradition that is of an unknown origin usually part of a long forgotten oral tradition. Check out myspace/pictism Tel: 01796473888 . Email: info@mckayshotel.co.uk
www.mckayshotel.co.uk

Saturday 3rd July 10.30am-11.30am ages 7+
Beadmaking
Birnam Institute, Birnam by Dunkeld
 £5.50 Tel 01350 727 674
www.birnamarts.com

Saturday 3rd July 7-10pm
MacPolvo
Mckays Bar & Restaurant, Atholl Rd Pitlochry
 Normally going out as a duo MacPolvo have delighted audiences from Skye to Salamanca with their repertoire of traditional song from Scotland, with Irish songs and even the odd English number thrown into the mix. Check out
www.macpolvo.com Tel: 01796473888 . Email: info@mckayshotel.co.uk
www.mckayshotel.co.uk

Saturday 3rd July 8pm
Havana Swing
The Birnam Art Centre Birnam by Dunkeld
 Reminiscent of Django Reinhardt, Havana Swing's fiery, gypsy jazz music will take you on a journey to the famous and sultry Le Hot Club De France, Parisian cafes and gypsy encampments, alive with energy and passion. 3 guitars, a double bass and a clarinet – Havana Swing are well respected throughout the Jazz Manouche and Hot Club world of music, mainly from their live per-

performances and their CD recordings- "Django Ecosais" and "Django's Lion" The band have recently broadcast for B.B.C. Radio 2 Sunday Supplement and BBC Radio Scotland's Jazz House.

These guys rock! Tickets: £10 / £8
Tel Box office 01350
727674 www.birnamarts.com

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Web www.atholl-estates.co.uk

**Sunday 4th July 2pm-5pm
Gardens Open - Glenlyon House
Fortingall**

Interesting garden framed by hedges, with colourful herbaceous borders and fruit trees underplanted with perennials and annuals. Intensive deep vegetable beds inspired by the late Geoff Hamilton. £4 Categories - Contact - Scotland's Garden Scheme Telephone - 0131 226 3714
Email:info@sgsgardens.co.uk Web www.gardensofscotland.org

**Sunday 4th July 8pm
Donnie Munro & Band
Pitlochry Festival Theatre**

Last year's inaugural Pitlochry concert was a massive success. Join us as we welcome back the inspirational Celtic superstar and former member

of Runrig with his stellar band for a night of Gael-Rock to remember! Box Office Telephone - 01796 484626 Email: boxoffice@pitlochry.org.uk Web www.PitlochryFestivalTheatre.com

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Recreation Ground, Pitlochry (Town Hall, wet weather venue)
An evening of traditional Scottish entertainment with the Vale of Atholl Junior Pipe Band, highland and Scottish country dancing displays, songs and accordion music. Watch the spectacle from your car (parking free) or sit on the terraced banking. Admission: Adults £5, children £1. Gates open 7pm, Starts 7.45pm, finishes approx. 9.15pm
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Tuesday 6th July 10.30am – 12noon

Rock Detectives – Suitable for families with 5-12 year olds.

Meet: Outside Killiecrankie Visitor Centre

A children's introduction to geology – discover about rocks and fossils, build a volcano and see how water and ice shape the land. Children £2; accompanying adults £1 Tel: 0844 4932192 www.nts.org.uk

Tuesday 6th July 2.00 - 3.30pm
Explore Glen Fender Meadow
Atholl Estates Ranger Service,
Blair Atholl

A glorious meadow with wild flowers, butterflies and bumblebees. Come and see what we can find today and maybe record some new species. May be rough and wet underfoot.

Follow signs from opposite Tilt Hotel in Blair Atholl Cost: £2

pf@atholl-estates.co.uk

tel 01796 481355

www.athollestaterangerservice.co.uk

Tuesday 6th July

Quality cinema in Aberfeldy, with The Screen Machine. Car park behind Girvans.

5.30pm - How to Train Your Dragon (3D) - PG

8.30pm - Sex and the City 2 - 15

For Sex and City 2 all 15s must be accompanied by a parent/21+ guardian. No under-15s will be admitted. Proof of age (eg Young Scot card, passport, driving license etc) may be requested.

More film details from the Screen Machine. Tickets £6.00 (£4.50 concessions) / £7.50 (£6.00) for 3D. Online booking is available through the booth, linked from the Screen Machine Calendar. Remaining tickets will be sold at the Screen Machine from 30 minutes before the screening.

Wednesday 7th July

Quality cinema in Aberfeldy, with The Screen Machine. Car park behind Girvans.

5.30pm - How to Train Your Dragon (3D) - PG

8.30pm - Robin Hood - 12A

For Robin Hood all under-16s must be

accompanied by a parent/21+ guardian.

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Wednesday 7th July 1am - 3pm
ages 8+

Young Artists' Wall Display
Birnam Institute, Birnam by Dunkeld

£9 Tel 01350 727 674

www.birnamarts.com

Wednesday 7th July 5.30pm - 9.30pm

KENMORE HIGHLAND GAMES
Kenmore Sports Field, nr Aberfeldy

An evening Highland Games held in a unique and beautiful setting. Includes heavy and track events, highland dancing, hill race, tug o' war, trade stalls and special children's events. Adults: £5.00 Children Free Telephone: 01887 830281 e-mail: sarahj146@btinternet.com

Wednesdays 7th & 21st July and 4th & 18th August: 1.30pm
Hillside safari

Meet: 1.30pm Ben Lawers NNR car park.

Experience some of the varied plant and animal life on the lower slopes of this famous reserve where pioneering conservation work is restoring threatened plant communities to the hill. Duration: 2½ hours. Cost: adults £5, children £2. Bring: Walking boots, warm, waterproof and windproof clothing. No need to book. For further info telephone 0844 4932 13.

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Thurs 8 July 10.30am - 12.00 midday

Minibeast Magic
Atholl Estates Ranger Service,
Blair Atholl

We look for bugs and beasties in their mini world. Meet at Atholl Estates Information Centre, Blair Atholl Cost: £1 per child Telephone 01796 481355 pf@atholl-estates.co.uk www.athollestaterangerservice.co.uk

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Friday 9th July 7-10pm

Whistleblowers McKays Music Bar, Atholl Road, Pitlochry

The Whistleblowers are a trio who play a mixture of Scottish and Irish music with a couple of contemporary tunes thrown in for good measure!! From ballads to foot tappers, The Whistleblowers go out of their way to make you feel a part of the night Tel: 01796473888 . Email: info@mckayshotel.co.uk www.mckayshotel.co.uk

10 July Start time 6am & 7am The Artemis Great Kindrochit Quadrathlon

Loch Tay Kenmore

2010 is the 10th anniversary of The Artemis Great Kindrochit Quadrathlon! Join us for one of Scotland's toughest one-day events, it is an exhilarating test of stamina, strength and fitness, combining swimming, walking/running, kayaking and cycling. It's not an event for the faint-hearted but promises to take you through some of the most magnificent and scenic areas of the Scottish highlands. Starting and finishing at Kindrochit, the challenge will take you in, over and around Loch Tay including the summits of the Ben Lawers Range and Ptarmigan Ridge. You can enter with friends

or colleagues as a team of two (both members participate in each leg) or as a relay team (max 8 members, min 2 team members per leg). It's a tough challenge but your efforts will be rewarded through fantastic camaraderie and finished off with a well deserved massage, a hearty feast on the shores of Loch Tay, a ceilidh and a fireworks extravaganza. In 2010 we will be continuing with our support for Mercy Corps, an international development charity. Our fundraising efforts will go towards improving food production in poverty stricken Guatemala. The project is the vital next stage in helping families to maximise the potential of their land, grow sustainable and profitable crops, and generate livelihoods for themselves and future generations. 9,000 people will directly benefit from this project and the knock-on effect will be to secure a stream of diverse, nutritional food and to increase food security of the entire populations of the 25 communities in which this project works. Admission - £190 per Quadrathlete plus £30 kayak hire Contact - Kindrochit House Telephone - 01567 820409

Email: sarah@wildfoxevents.com Web www.artemisgreatkindrochit.com

Saturday 10th July Local History Exhibition Opens Aberfeldy Watermill, Mill St, The

Watermill Gallery is holding an exhibition of photographs of 'Old Aberfeldy' from 10th July to 10th September. As part of the exhibition we will be holding a competition 'how many people in the photos can you name'. We will also be displaying the former Aberfeldy Provost's Chain of Office (on loan from Perth Museum) in the exhibition. www.aberfeldywatermill.com

Saturday 10th July 7.30pm Scottish Country Dancing Pitlochry Town Hall.

Visitors welcome to join us on the dance floor or come along to watch. Dancers £6.50 Spectators £2.00 Tel 01796 473488

Saturday 10th July 7-10pm Andrew Gordon McKays Music Bar, Atholl Rd.

Pitlochry

Andrew has been singing solos since 1999. Since then Andrew has played in The US, Canada, Germany and The Netherlands and also all over Scotland. A firm favourite in McKays. Check out andrewgordon.co.uk Tel: 01796473888 . Email: info@mckayshotel.co.uk www.mckayshotel.co.uk

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£1. Gates open 7pm, Starts 7.45pm, finishes approx. 9.15pm
www.highlandnight.co.uk

Monday 12th July 8pm Women Behaving Madly! Pitlochry Festival Theatre.

Compassion, comedy and compost combine in this topical, funny and moving one woman comedy-drama from the makers of Sex & Chocolate and Fur Coat & Magic Knickers. Box Office Tel - 01796 484626 Email: boxoffice@pitlochry.org.uk
 Web www.PitlochryFestivalTheatre.com

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Tuesday 13th July 10.30am – 12noon

Record Breakers – Suitable for families with 5-12 year olds.

Meet: The Hermitage Lower Car Park Dunkeld

Record breaking wildlife facts – see who can jump the furthest and grow the tallest.

Charge: Children £2; accompanying adults £1 Tel: 0844 4932192
www.nts.org.uk

Tuesdays 13th & 27th July and 10th & 24th August:

Close Encounters: a walk for children all ages!

Meet: 10.30 am Ben Lawers NNR car park.

Enjoy a close look at some of the less obvious animals and some of the plants that live on the lower slopes of Ben Lawers. Duration: 2 hours Cost: adults £2, children £5. (Adults must be accompanied by a child and vice versa). Bring: Wellies and waterproofs. Meet: 10.30 am Ben Lawers NNR car park. For further information telephone 0844 4932 136.

Tues 13 July between 2.00 and 4.00pm.

Feeders and Homes

Atholl Estates Ranger Service, Blair Atholl

Help out your local wildlife by making nestboxes and feeders. Drop in anytime between 2.00 and 4.00pm. Meet at Atholl Estates Information Centre, Blair Atholl Cost: Donations for materials. Tel 01796 481355
pf@atholl-estates.co.uk
www.athollestatesrangerservice.co.uk

Tuesday 13th July 8pm

Garden Music

Pitlochry Festival Theatre

Broadcaster and singer-songwriter, Frieda Morrison, joins renowned horticulturalist David Mitchell from the Royal Botanic Garden, Edinburgh, to take us on a journey of exploration into the plants in your garden. With songs from Frieda's new album Morven and thrilling stories about the adventures of the Scottish plant-hunters from Dave, this will be a uniquely entertaining evening. Box Office Tel - 01796 484626 Email: boxoffice@pitlochry.org.uk
 Web www.PitlochryFestivalTheatre.com

Wednesday 14th July:

Mountain flowers.

Meet: 9.30am Ben Lawers NNR car park.

A high-level guided walk to see some of the arctic-alpine plants for which these hills are famous. Requires a reasonable level of fitness. Duration: 7

hours Cost: adults £25, children £12.50. Bring: Walking boots, warm, waterproof and windproof clothing, packed lunch and drink. Booking essential, please telephone 0844 4932 136.

**Wednesday 14th July 2.00pm
The Battle of Killiecrankie
Meet: Outside Killiecrankie Visitor Centre**

Get to grips with the gory details of this gruesome battle. Interactive battle talk (1hr) in woods above Soldier's Leap; followed by children's craft activities and a display of weapons outside the visitor centre. Charge: Adults £3; Children £2 Tel: 0844 4932192 www.nts.org.uk

**Wednesday 14th July 7.30pm
Celtic Night at Blair Castle
Blair Castle, Blair Atholl**

Pitlochry & Blair Atholl Pipe Band - Celtic Music and Songs, Tunes from Scotland Ireland, Brittany, Asturia & Galicia. Also Highland Dancing. Adults £6.50, Children £1.50 Lucky Programme Draw, Free Parking.

**Thursday 15th July (Varying times)
Atholl Estates - Tractor and Trailer Tour
Departs from Blair Castle Caravan Park & Blair Castle Car Park Blair Atholl**

Explore the grounds of Blair Castle and the surrounding landscape on a 90 minute vintage tractor and trailer ride. Travelling at a leisurely pace, you'll visit parts of the castle grounds many visitors never get to see as you travel through farmland, woodland and along the maze of estate tracks. The tour offers many opportunities to see the animals that live on the estate including red deer, Highland ponies and Highland cows. A real favourite with children, this tour is a fun way to discover more of the estate. Numbers are limited to 30 people per tour and advance booking is recommended. Adults £5, Children (under 16) £3 Tel - 01796 481207 Email: rebeccam@atholl-estates.co.uk Web www.atholl-estates.co.uk

**Thurs 15 July 10.30am - 12.00 midday - Wet and Wild
Atholl Estates Ranger Service,
Blair Atholl**

Discover the weird, watery world around the river. Meet at Atholl Estates Information Centre, Blair Atholl. Cost: £1 per child tel 01796 481355

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**Thursdays 8pm - 11pm
Och Aye McKay every Thursday
Mckays Bar & Restaurant, Atholl Road Pitlochry**

- a great mix of Scottish entertainment. Drew Scott entertains while Lisa & Fiona on fiddle and accordion will teach you to Ceilidh dance! Hopefully one of the local pipe band will pop in too. A great night for all and it's free entry. Test your knowledge with the famous Och Aye McKay Quiz and take home a fantastic (remember you're in Scotland) prize!! Join in from anytime between 7pm & 10pm for some Scottish fun. Tel: 01796473888 . Email: info@mckayshotel.co.uk www.mckayshotel.co.uk

**Thursday 15th July 8pm
This is Scotland...and you're welcome to it!
Castle Menzies Weem, by Aberfeldy**

The elegant portrait-hung Pink Room in 16th Century Castle Menzies is the setting for the sixth successive year of THIS IS SCOTLAND ... AND YOU'RE WELCOME TO IT!, an evening of gentle music and comedy written and presented by Alan Brown and focussing on this very part of the world known as Highland Perthshire. Presented at 8 pm each Thursday evening from 20 May to 16 September, tickets are £6 on sale at the venue or may be reserved by phoning Castle Menzies on (01887) 820982. More info on Alan's website www.broonsreel.com

**Friday 16th July 8-11pm
Lisa & Fiona
Mckays Bar & Restaurant, Atholl Road Pitlochry**

Tel: 01796473888 . Email: info@mckayshotel.co.uk
www.mckayshotel.co.uk

**Saturday 17th July 10am to 1pm
Logierait Country Market
Mill of Logierait, by Ballinluig off A9 towards Aberfeldy.**

The layout of the stalls, car parking and toilet facilities is being improved, and the new Farm/Railway shed will provide a covered area with tables and chairs with teas and coffees available. Markets held the third Saturday of the Month. With local produce, crafts, food etc. contact Peter or Fiona on 01796 482222 or email highlandlightrailway@btconnect.com

Saturday 17th July 10.30am - 1.30pm

**Kids's Pasta Making
Birnam Institute, Birnam by Dunkeld**

£6 Tel 01350 727 674
www.birnamarts.com

**Saturday 17th July 1pm – 4pm
Giant Art Afternoon – Suitable for families with 5-12 year olds.**

Meet: The Hermitage Lower Car Park Dunkeld

Enjoy a giant sculpture art and craft session in the woods. Call in anytime between 1pm and 4pm. Charge: Children £2; accompanying adults free Tel: 0844 4932192 www.nts.org.uk

Sat/Sunday 17th/18th July 11am -4pm 2010

**Go Native!
The Scottish Crannog Centre,
Kenmore, Loch Tay**

Ancient Technology & Wild Cooking Fair Test our dugout canoes, learn a new craft, and cook on the wild side. Cost to be confirmed Tel. 01887 830583 www.crannog.co.uk

Saturday 17th July 8-11pm

MacPolvo

**McKays Bar & Restaurant, Atholl
Rd Pitlochry**

Normally going out as a duo
MacPolvo have delighted audiences
from Skye to Salamanca with their
repertoire of traditional song from
Scotland, with Irish songs and even
the odd English number thrown into
the mix. Check out

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