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## May What's On in Highland Perthshire

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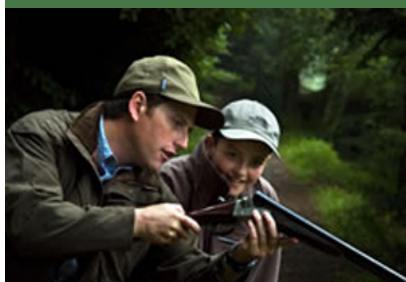
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Country Sports Experience

[www.countrysportscotland.com](http://www.countrysportscotland.com)

**Pitlochry Festival Theatre** see website for details.

[www.PitlochryFestivalTheatre.com](http://www.PitlochryFestivalTheatre.com)

A selection of 3 plays including;  
**Kiss Me Kate** - Romantic, touching and hilariously funny, with a classic Cole Porter score, Kiss Me, Kate is one of the greatest Broadway musicals of all time.

**14th/15th/21st/22nd/29th.**

**Noises Off** - a hilarious classic comedy! **20th/22nd/28th.**

**Rough Crossing** - A wickedly funny nautical comedy! **27th/29th.**

Tel: Box Office: 01796 484 626

[www.PitlochryFestivalTheatre.com](http://www.PitlochryFestivalTheatre.com)

**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 Ensemble Ringing occasionally.) Come and listen for a while. No charge – freewill donation. Contact Tourist Information Office, Tel: 01350 727688**

[www.dunkeld-handbells.co.uk](http://www.dunkeld-handbells.co.uk)

**2nd April - 17th May 10am -**

**5.30pm Mon - Sat and 11am -**

**5.30pm Sun**

**lightness of being: the design show**

**The Watermill Mill St Aberfeldy**

The inaugural design show at the

Watermill will feature lighting by Toyo

Ito, furniture by Angus Ross and

Screenprints by Scott Campbell. tel:

01887 822896

[www.aberfeldywatermill.com](http://www.aberfeldywatermill.com) [www.twitter.com/thewatermill](http://www.twitter.com/thewatermill)

**To celebrate Pitlochry in Bloom's Big Tree Country award in 2009 for the “Silver Branch-Felt Stories” project, the felted wool storytelling/art panels made by the Highland Perthshire primary schools and Corbenic, the Camphill community, will be on display from the 1st of May in the Explorers Garden, Pitlochry Festival Theatre.**

**1st May 10am-2pm**

**Charity Car Boot Sale**

**Recreation Field Dunkeld**

Charity Car Boot Sale to raise funds for Royal School of Dunkeld - Dunkeld Recreation Field (behind doctor's surgery) £10 per pitch to be booked by 26th April by calling Sally on 01796 482771. Free entry.

**Saturday 1st May 10am - 4pm**

**Fund Raising event for Struian Church & Mary's Meals in the Gardens of Braeside  
Calvine**

Heather Perry & family are holding a fund raiser for Struan Church. Coffee/ juice & Homemade biscuits. 12 - 2pm homemade soup & Ross 2-4pm tea/ coffee + Cakes. There will be a home baking stall, tombola etc + sales tables, All donations will be gratefully received 01796 483295

**Saturday 1st May 2pm - 3pm  
Ranger-led walk around Blair  
Castle gardens and grounds**

**Blair Castle Grounds, Blair Castle.** Blair Castle is at the heart of an amazing natural landscape featuring some of the UK's tallest trees and many rare and elusive species of wildlife. Discover more about this unique habitat on a guided walk with an Atholl Estates Ranger. Free as part of standard castle or grounds entry No booking required Tel 01796 481355  
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[www.athollstatesrangerservice.co.uk](http://www.athollstatesrangerservice.co.uk)

**Saturday 1st May 2.30pm - 4pm  
May Day Tea  
The Tryst Pitlochry.**

The Inner Wheel Club of Pitlochry are holding a May Day Tea in aid of Marie Curie Cancer Care and Children with Leukaemia. Cake stall and raffle. Tickets £2.50 from Inner Wheel Members or at the door.

**Saturday 1st May & Sunday 2nd  
May 10am - 5pm  
A Selling Exhibition  
Explorers Garden - Pitlochry  
Festival Theatre**

A selling exhibition will be held on Saturday 1st and Sunday 2nd May (10.00am to 5.00pm) in and around the David Douglas Pavilion, in the Himalayan section of Explorers. There will be an exciting variety of garden sculpture, planters, baskets, wooden vessels, willow hurdles (including the wonderful bird sculptures of Simon Griffiths) and fabulous monoliths by Nigel Edmondson. Tel Box Office 01796 484626 E/Mail  
[boxoffice@pitlochry.org.uk](mailto:boxoffice@pitlochry.org.uk) Web  
[www.PitlochryFestivalTheatre.com](http://www.PitlochryFestivalTheatre.com)

**Saturday 1st May 7-10pm  
MacPolvo**

**Live at McKays Bar & Restaurant,  
Atholl Road Pitlochry.**

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macpolvo.com Tel: 01796473888 .  
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[www.atholl-estates.co.uk](http://www.atholl-estates.co.uk)

**Sunday 2nd May 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](http://www.exploretsgarden.com)

**Monday 3rd May 1pm - 4pm**



**Country Sports Experience  
Dunkeld Park Activities Hilton**

**Dunkeld House, Dunkeld &  
BASC Scottish Centre in Trochry**

Unique half-day taster sessions for anyone interested in trying deer stalking or shooting. Learn from experts in a safe and friendly environment. Gain an appreciation of Scotland's country sports and enjoy professional practical instruction for rifle and shotgun (no live targets are used) **Advance booking essential.** £50 per person for each `Experience` `The Stalking Experience` T: 01350 723 226 BASC Scottish Centre in Trochry. `The Shooting Experience` T: 01350 728 370 Dunkeld Park Activities, Dunkeld  
[www.countrysportscotland.com](http://www.countrysportscotland.com) Funded by the European Regional Development Fund.

**Monday 3rd May 1.30pm P4+  
Electrostatic  
Birnam Arts Centre Birnam by  
Dunkeld.**

Curious about currents? Learn about the difference between conductors and insulators, and how simple circuits work. Build a light circuit and then your own own gadget or toy, for instance - a flashing lighthouse or a noisy morse-code machine, a noisy wire game or a revolving roundabout. These toys demonstrate how the simple electric circuit is useful in everyday life, showing how the electrical energy in a circuit can produce light, noise or movement. This fun and engaging workshop aims to give you a real buzz about electricity! Tickets: £6 Tel Box office 01350 727674  
[www.birnamarts.com](http://www.birnamarts.com)

**Thursday 6th May & Friday 7th  
May**

**Heartland Film Society - The  
Visitor  
The Locus Centre The Square  
Aberfeldy.**

Walter, a bumbling American academic finds two illegal immigrants in his New York apartment. He ejects them, retrieves them, befriends them, learns how to drum, then for the first time in his life, how to fight

the system. A quirky funny morality play for today. £30 for 10 films as a member, or £5 per film  
[www.heartlandfilmsociety.org.uk](http://www.heartlandfilmsociety.org.uk)

**Thursday 6th May 8pm  
 Duncan Chisholm & Ivan Drever  
 Pitlochry Festival Theatre,  
 Pitlochry.**

Back by popular demand, acclaimed fiddler Duncan (Session A9, Julie Fowlis Band) joins guitarist and songwriter Ivan (Wolfstone and Dark Horse) in an evening of traditional sound, song and great in-between banter. Pitlochry Festival Theatre Box Office  
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**May 2010 Scottish Orienteering Championships  
 Rannoch, Perthshire**

The Scottish Orienteering Championships builds on the successful bi-annual, Scottish 6 Day International Orienteering festival held in Perthshire which attracted around 3,500 competitors.

The Scottish Orienteering Championships is one of the biggest events in the Scottish Orienteering Association's calendar. Perthshire has some of the best orienteering areas in Britain and in 2010 Perth will host the championships with the aim of developing orienteering participation levels amongst both beginners and school children. Contact Scott Fraser Professional Officer, Scottish Orienteering Association, 47 D'Arcy Road, Mayfield, Dalkeith Midlothian EH22 5HQ, Tel: 07809 722420, Email: [scott.fraser@scottish-orienteering.org](mailto:scott.fraser@scottish-orienteering.org) Website: [www.scottish-orienteering.org](http://www.scottish-orienteering.org)

**Friday 7th May 9am – 11am  
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encourage wildlife as well as our resident Red Squirrels. £4 per person-under 16's free. All proceeds will go towards providing Red Squirrel and wild bird food at Cluny. Numbers restricted to 20, so please book in advance. Contact: Wendy Mattingly – 01887 820 795

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[www.clunyhousegardens.com](http://www.clunyhousegardens.com)  
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**Friday 7th May 7pm  
 Fireside Supper & ghost tour  
 Castle Menzies Aberfeldy**

Supper & Ghost Tour - £25 per person Booking essential for further information contact 01887 820982 email [john.jack59@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:john.jack59@yahoo.co.uk)

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**Friday 7th May 8:00pm  
 The Bonzos... Changed My Life  
 Pitlochry Festival Theatre. Pitlochry**

Bob and Eric (two tribute wannabees) may be going nowhere - but in this enjoyable musical comedy, packed with great 1960s covers, and laced with humour and painful candour - it's a trip back in time, well worth taking. Pitlochry Festival Theatre Box Office Tel 01796 484626 Email: [boxoffice@pitlochry.org.uk](mailto:boxoffice@pitlochry.org.uk)  
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[www.PitlochryFestivalTheatre.com](http://www.PitlochryFestivalTheatre.com)

**8th May to 16th May  
 Drop at the Top with Highland Safaris**

Booking required. Great for the whole family to experience cycling down from the high mountain glens, very

popular for the family. Contact 01887820071  
[www.highlandsafaris.net](http://www.highlandsafaris.net)

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 Andrew Gordon  
 Live at McKays Bar & Restaurant,  
 Atholl Road Pitlochry.**

Andrew has been singing solos since 1999. Since then Andrew has played in The US, Canada, Germany, The Netherlands and all over Scotland. A firm favourite in McKays check out [andrewgordon.co.uk](http://andrewgordon.co.uk) Tel: 01796473888 . Email: [info@mckayshotel.co.uk](mailto:info@mckayshotel.co.uk)  
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**Saturday 8th May 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

**Sun 9th May 9.30am to 4pm  
 Highland Safaris 'Drop at the Top` Cycling Fun Day**

A chance to try the new upgraded lodge, cafe and cycle facilities first hand. The focus will very much be on cycling safaris on the hill reinforced by maintenance of bikes. Highland Safaris `Drop at the Top` Cycling Fun Day` to compliment the Cycling festival the following week. Drop at Top cycling safaris 0930hrs-1100hrs-1330hrs As prizes for local

school kids.

Extra places on Drop at Top (£15.00/person) Simple Bike Maintenance 1200hrs-1300hrs @ 1330hrs-1430hrs (FOC) Delicious food in the new Lodge Café Gold Panning (£4.00/person) Feed the Deer `Mini Safari` (£3.00/person) Contact 01887820071 [www.highlandsafaris.net](http://www.highlandsafaris.net)

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### Wednesday 12 May 8:00pm

#### Whisky Kisses

#### Birnam Arts Centre Birnam by Dunkeld.

Hard on the heels of the sell-out tour of "The Accidental Death of an Accordionist", Right Lines plans to follow up that major success with the long-awaited full length production of the company's brand new musical comedy - Whisky Kisses. Two international collectors converge on a Highland distillery to compete for a bottle of fabled malt whisky – The Glenigma. Yomo travels from Tokyo to honour his dying father's wishes and Ben journeys to Scotland, despite missing his favourite time of year – Tartan Day in New York!

The family business has to close and Mary resolves to repay the loyal workforce with a share of the profits from the sale of this final asset. But is this simply a battle for the bottle – or will the unique Scottish experience change everyone's lives forever...? Great songs, great music, great laughs! "Brilliantly funny" The Times Tickets: £12 / £10 Tel box office 01350 727674 [www.birnamarts.com](http://www.birnamarts.com)

### Thursday 13th May 2pm

#### Cycle up Glen Tilt

A cycle ride up one of Scotland's most spectacular glens on Atholl Estates dirt roads. This is an infor-

mal afternoon group ride, with participants being responsible for their own well being, (this is not a not a guided ride). Bikes can be hired from Base Camp Bikes, Blair Atholl. Children under 16 years old must be accompanied by an adult – Contact James 01796 473335 if you want to participate.

### Thursday 13th May 4pm-6pm

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### Thursday 13th May 7pm

#### Plant Sale

#### Town Hall Aberfeldy.

Perthshire Highland District Horticultural Society Plant Sale. Town Hall, doors open 7pm

### Thursday 13th May 7-10pm

#### Och Aye McKay

#### Live at McKays Bar & Restaurant, Atholl Road Pitlochry.

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### 14th May Friday pm

#### Fun afternoon at Dunolly Adventures

(Tel 01887 820298 and [www.DunollyAdventures.co.uk](http://www.DunollyAdventures.co.uk)) in Aberfeldy an open day which will have all the following events happening:  
Bouncy Castles - free  
Facepainting - free

Climbing wall - free  
 Climbing tree - free  
 Cycling Slalom/Skills course on site - free  
 Kayaking Taster Sessions on the Tay just off site - free  
 Raft trip for Local residents and Etape competitors/families - Discounted  
 Arts & Crafts sale  
 Outdoor equipment (including bike supplies) sale  
 The Cafe will also be open for refreshments and we are toying with the idea of having a BBQ running as well. There will be no charge for entry and as you can see most of the events are free. The raft trip will have quite a large discount.

**Friday 14th May evening and all day Saturday 15th May**  
[Etape Caledonia Registration](#)  
 at the Atholl Centre, Pitlochry

**Friday 14th May 7pm**  
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**14 May - 16 Oct 2010**  
**Kiss Me, Kate**

**Pitlochry Festival Theatre**  
**Pitlochry**  
 Baltimore, 1948: after a string of flops, actor-manager Fred Graham desperately needs his new musical adaptation of The Taming Of The Shrew to be a hit. But while Fred's opinion of his own talents is sky-high, he knows only one thing can guarantee success: a great, big star. Unfortunately, the only star Fred knows is Lilli Vanessi, legendary diva, Hollywood icon... and his ex-wife. As rehearsals progress,

Lilli playing Kate opposite Fred's Petruchio, each begins to remember, with a passion bordering on the homicidal, just why they got divorced in the first place... Meanwhile, Fred has fallen under the spell of nightclub singer Lois Lane, and has cast her, and her dancing partner, Bill, in the show. But chronic gambler Bill owes a fortune to some heavyweight mobsters. And to escape their clutches, Bill signs a \$10,000 IOU – in Fred Graham's name... On opening night, Fred sends Lois a fabulous bouquet – which mistakenly gets delivered to Lilli. Her heart melting, Lilli's old feelings for Fred come flooding back... until she discovers that Lois was the intended recipient... just as two goons turn up to collect Bill's debt – from Fred... Romantic, touching and hilariously funny, with a classic Cole Porter score, Kiss Me, Kate is one of the greatest Broadway musicals of all time. Tickets £15.50-£30 Pitlochry Festival Theatre Box Office Telephone - 01796 484626 Email: [boxoffice@pitlochry.org.uk](mailto:boxoffice@pitlochry.org.uk) Web [www.PitlochryFestivalTheatre.com](http://www.PitlochryFestivalTheatre.com)

**15th May to 22nd May,**  
**Storyteller in Residence, Claire Hewitt, will be working in the Explorers Garden Pitlochry Festival Theatre, Port na Craig. Using the David Douglas Pavilion and the Yurt to tell tales to celebrate Biodiversity Week. For more detailed information nearer the time please view.**  
[www.pitlochryinbloom.co.uk](http://www.pitlochryinbloom.co.uk) or [www.explorersgarden.org.uk](http://www.explorersgarden.org.uk) This event is sponsored by the Book Trust – Live Literature Funding – the Scottish Storytelling Centre, Edinburgh and Pitlochry in Bloom.

**Saturday 15th May 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](mailto:highlandlightrailway@btconnect.com)

**Saturday 15th May**  
**BIG Day at the Highland Perthshire Cycling Festival**  
**Aberfeldy.**

HIGHLAND PERTSHIRE CYCLING FESTIVAL BIG DAY 2010  
 For 2010 Perthshire Cycling Festival has been renamed as the Highland Perthshire Cycling Festival BIG Day. This is the focus of the Highland Perthshire Cycling Festival which consists of many events throughout the area. The BIG Day will be in Aberfeldy on Saturday 15th May and will be even bigger and better than last year. We will have our favourite stunt team - The Clan - back. And we will have more bikes to try out, both unusual and usual! The hand cycling event will be much bigger as well, bringing more disabled people the chance to have a go at cycling. There will be lots of competitions, workshops, demonstrations, stalls, treasure hunts and much more. More details will be on the website soon. For more information contact

[emma@perthshirecyclingfestival.co.uk](mailto:emma@perthshirecyclingfestival.co.uk)  
 Bike stunt Demonstration – watch Danny McCaskill, famous from his amazing YouTube stunt film, and his team, in action performing amazing stunts. The team will also be doing a workshop.  
 CAR PARKING - Please make sure you park your vehicles in the car parks behind the garage or behind Breadalbane Hotel in the centre of Aberfeldy. Please make sure the roads around Aberfeldy Park are kept free of parked cars - your cooperation would be very much appreciated.

**Saturday 15th May 2pm - 3pm**  
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**Saturday 15th May  
Highland Perthshire Cycling  
Festival Big Day  
Victoria Park Aberfeldy**

This year's family - friendly festival of cycling will be even bigger and better than last year. The Clan - everyone's favourite stunt group. Hand cycling - adapted bikes giving disabled people the chance to have a go. Unusual bikes - for everyone to try Guided rides - explore the area on 2 wheels, competitions, workshops, demonstrations, stalls, treasure hunts, best dressed bike and much more! More details on the website soon

[www.perthshirecyclingfestival.co.uk](http://www.perthshirecyclingfestival.co.uk)

or contact

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**Saturday 15th May 5pm -6pm  
Explorers Garden, Pitlochry Festival Theatre, Port na Craig.**

**Tales from the "Silver Branch".**

Tickets Adults £3, Conc £2.50, Children free. Stories from around the World to celebrate International Year of Biodiversity.

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Athole Fleming Telephone - 01738 639747 Email:

[mail@theoriginalwindows.com](mailto:mail@theoriginalwindows.com) Web [www.theoriginalwindows.com](http://www.theoriginalwindows.com)

**Saturday 15th May 8.30pm  
Moths & Bats Bonanza  
Explorers Garden, Pitlochry Festival Theatre, Port na Craig,  
Pitlochry.**

Join staff from the Explorers Garden and members of the Butterfly Conservation on this walk through the garden to find out a little more about these night time creatures. We will be checking moth traps set up the night before and will hopefully see some of these delicate insects. Free event. Booking essential Contact: Niall Lobley, Senior Countryside Ranger- 01738 475 349 [www.pkc.gov.uk/countryside](http://www.pkc.gov.uk/countryside)

**Sunday 16th May 7am-5pm approximately  
Perth 800 - Macmillan Cancer Support Etape Caledonia  
Pitlochry**

The Etape Caledonia is an 81-mile cycle challenge taking place on traffic-free roads in the stunning scenery of Highland Perthshire. Etape Caledonia is Britain's first closed road cycle race open to the general public. It offers the ordinary cyclists closed roads to cycle on in safety. We are all used to mass participation running races in the form of marathons and half marathons, now there is an equivalent for cyclists. Why Etape Caledonia? Well 'Etape' is the name for a stage as in a stage of the Tour de France cycle race. Caledonia of course refers to Scotland, so what better name can you have for this race. There are some 25 million people who own bicycles in Britain, so why shouldn't they have a closed road cycle event where they can have the roads to themselves. There cannot be anywhere better than Highland Perthshire to cycle, we assure you that you will find the scenery along the route absolutely fabulous. The air is clean, with none of your city high traffic fumes that

other parts of Britain and Europe and the world suffer from. The event on 16th May 2010 is open to individuals between the ages of 18 and 80. To ensure that the roads are reopened to the schedule agreed with the authorities, participants will need to maintain an average speed of 13-14mph around the course. This gives at least 6h 15mins to reach the finishing line within the closure window. Even if you are unable to meet this average you can continue on open roads and complete the full circuit. Admission - Spectators free, Participants £54 Registration (to be confirmed) Contact - Etape Caledonia Telephone - 0871 384 9920 Email:

[info@etapecaledonia.co.uk](mailto:info@etapecaledonia.co.uk) Web [www.etapecaledonia.co.uk](http://www.etapecaledonia.co.uk)

**Sunday 16th May 11am -  
12noon**

**Attics Tour****Blair Castle, Blair Atholl**

Discover the secrets of Blair Castle's attics. Hidden from view in the maze of attic rooms and corridors are many strange, wonderful and interesting artefacts. Uncover the strange and fascinating collection of objects in Baron Maule's room, look through some of our historic estate records and marvel at the eclectic collections of family paintings, walking sticks, weaponry and period costume. The tour culminates in a climb to the castle rooftops for breathtaking panoramic views of the castle grounds. Please note: This tour involves several flights of spiral stairs, the occasional tight space and heights and is only suitable for the fully able. Prices: £11 Tel: 01796 481 355 [www.atholl-estates.co.uk](http://www.atholl-estates.co.uk)

**Sunday 16th May 11am-4pm.****Festival of Nettles:****The Scottish Crannog Centre,  
Kenmore, Loch Tay**

Fibre, Food & Fun Special demonstrations and exhibits, fibre processing, spinning, plus all kinds of nettle cooking. 11am -4pm Normal entry + £3 Tel. 01887 830583 [www.crannog.co.uk](http://www.crannog.co.uk)

**Sunday 16th May 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](http://www.exploretsgarden.com)

**Monday 17th May 1pm - 4pm**



**Country Sports Experience  
Dunkeld Park Activities Hilton  
Dunkeld House, Dunkeld & BASC  
Scottish Centre in Trochry**

Unique half-day taster sessions for anyone interested in trying deer stalking or shooting. Learn from experts in a safe and friendly environment. Gain an appreciation of Scotland's country sports and enjoy professional practical instruction for rifle and shotgun (no live targets are used) **Advance booking essential.** £50 per person for each

Experience` The Stalking Experience` T: 01350 723 226 BASC Scottish Centre in Trochry. `The Shooting Experience` T: 01350 728 370 Dunkeld Park Activities, Dunkeld

[www.countrysportscotland.com](http://www.countrysportscotland.com) Funded by the European Regional Development Fund.

**Monday 17th May 8pm  
Des Dillon's Tall Tales  
Pitlochry Festival Theatre,  
Pitlochry**

Stand-up comedy meets one of Scotland's most hilarious storytellers in the shape of Des Dillon, acclaimed funny man, raconteur and all round tour-de-force - a hilarious evening's entertainment! Pitlochry Festival Theatre Box Office Telephone - 01796 484626

Email: [boxoffice@pitlochry.org.uk](mailto:boxoffice@pitlochry.org.uk)  
Web

[www.PitlochryFestivalTheatre.com](http://www.PitlochryFestivalTheatre.com)

**Tuesday 18th May 8:00pm  
David Boag's Natural Quarry –  
Wildlife - an illustrated talk  
Pitlochry Festival Theatre,  
Pitlochry**

In this fascinating illustrated talk, author and acclaimed photographer David Boag recounts his challenge to study the diversity of wildlife in a quarry - which turns out to be a rather a revelation! Part of the Tayside Biodiversity Festival. Tickets £7.50 Box Office Telephone - 01796 484626 Email: [boxoffice@pitlochry.org.uk](mailto:boxoffice@pitlochry.org.uk) Web [www.PitlochryFestivalTheatre.com](http://www.PitlochryFestivalTheatre.com) [www.explorersgarden.org.uk](http://www.explorersgarden.org.uk)

**Wednesday 19th May 10am –  
4pm  
Wildlife Photography Workshop  
Killiecrankie Visitor Centre  
Tickets**

£30 to include lunch & refreshments David Boag will lead an intensive but fun day for enthusiasts that have a basic knowledge, but would like to develop their creative wildlife skills.

Contact: Louise Medine Ranger/  
Naturalist 0844 493 2192

**Wednesday 19th May at 2pm-  
meet at the steps outside main  
entrance. Free event  
Meet the Gardeners for a guided  
walk - Atholl Palace Tree Walk**

Meet the Gardeners Innes Smith and Kenny MacPherson for a guided walk around the hotel grounds. See the Heritage trees planted in the 1870's, species include Giant Sequoia, Coastal Redwood, Tulip Tree, Purple Beech, Noble Fir, Larch, Western Red Cedar, many magnificent Douglas Firs and an elegant Lime Avenue. There are also small areas of ancient woodland with oak trees and associated wildflowers. Contact: Sally Spaven – Pitlochry in Bloom 01796 472020 [www.athollpalace.com](http://www.athollpalace.com) or [www.pitlochryinbloom.co.uk](http://www.pitlochryinbloom.co.uk)

**Wednesday 19th May 8.00pm  
The Fiddle Tree presents The  
TIM KLIPHUIS TRIO  
(Netherlands) plus DEBRA SA-  
LEM.**

**Birnam Arts Centre, Birnam by  
Dunkeld.**

Grappelli-style violin from one of Holland's top musicians and sophisticated Jazz / Folk from Belfast-born Debra Salem. Tickets: Adult - £8 advance / £10 on door. Under-18s - £3 / 2 for £5 from: Birnam CD (01350 727158); Zigzags, Dunkeld (01350 728666) Card bookings ONLINE ONLY:

[www.thebooth.co.uk](http://www.thebooth.co.uk) More info.:

[www.timkliphuis.com](http://www.timkliphuis.com) ;

[www.debrasalem.com](http://www.debrasalem.com) ;

[www.thefiddletree.com](http://www.thefiddletree.com)

**Thursday 20th May at 08.00am**

**–  
Saving Swifts at Pitlochry  
Meet at Ferry Road Car Park,  
Pitlochry.**

Free event, but booking essential Join the Rangers on a walk through Pitlochry looking for these amazing birds – they spend their life "on the wing" only settling at this time of year to nest. Unfortunately, Swift numbers have declined over the past few years, find out why and what you can do to help save our Swifts! Contact: Niall Lobley – 01738 475 349

[www.pkc.gov.uk/countryside](http://www.pkc.gov.uk/countryside)

**Friday 21st May 7pm  
Fireside Supper & ghost tour  
Castle Menzies Aberfeldy**

Supper & Ghost Tour - £25 per person Booking essential for further information contact 01887 820982 email [john.jack59@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:john.jack59@yahoo.co.uk)

**Saturday 22nd May 2pm - 3pm  
Ranger-led walk around Blair  
Castle gardens and grounds  
Blair Castle Grounds, Blair Cas-  
tle.**

Blair Castle is at the heart of an amazing natural landscape featuring some of the UK's tallest trees and many rare and elusive species of wildlife. Discover more about this unique habitat on a guided walk with an Atholl Estates Ranger. Free as part of standard castle or grounds entry No booking required Telephone 01796 481355

[pf@atholl-estates.co.uk](http://pf@atholl-estates.co.uk)

[www.athollestaterangerservice.co.uk](http://www.athollestaterangerservice.co.uk)

**Sunday 23rd May -  
Blow and Blast Woodwind Ensemble Workshops  
Birnam Arts Centre, Birnam by Dunkeld**

Introductory: 10.00 am – 12 noon  
£15

Intermediate: 2.30pm – 4.30 pm  
£15

Single ensemble workshop plus  
lunchtime band: £25

A group music-making opportunity  
for adult beginners/returners on  
flute, oboe, clarinet or bassoon.

Parts tailored to ability level.

Friendly and fun. More info/

bookings: tel 01764 652052 or visit  
[www.blowandblast.co.uk](http://www.blowandblast.co.uk)

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Please note: This tour involves sev-  
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able. Prices: £11 Tel: 01796 481  
355 [www.atholl-estates.co.uk](http://www.atholl-estates.co.uk)

**Sunday 23rd May 11am -4pm  
Iron Age Bread & Butter  
The Scottish Crannog Centre,  
Kenmore, Loch Tay**

making Make bread dough, bake in  
our Iron age ovens and learn how to  
make the butter to spread on your  
rolls. Normal entry + £3 Tel. 01887  
830583 [www.crannog.co.uk](http://www.crannog.co.uk)

**Sunday 23rd May 11:30am**

**Garden Tours  
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tival Theatre**

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**Monday 24th May 1pm - 4pm**



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Unique half-day taster sessions for  
anyone interested in trying deer  
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Dunkeld  
[www.countrysportscotland.com](http://www.countrysportscotland.com) Fun-  
ded by the European Regional De-  
velopment Fund.

**Monday 24th May 8:00pm  
Moths Ate My Doctor Who Scarf  
Pitlochry Festival Theatre**

Written and performed by Toby  
Hadoke Fresh from a recent, ac-  
claimed West End run, this is a razor  
sharp, satirical comic odyssey, which  
charts the rise and fall and rise  
again of a TV legend. Unmiss-  
able! Box Office Tel 01796 484626  
Email: [boxoffice@pitlochry.org.uk](mailto:boxoffice@pitlochry.org.uk)  
Web  
[www.PitlochryFestivalTheatre.com](http://www.PitlochryFestivalTheatre.com)

**Tuesday 25th May 8pm  
Rod Clements**

**Pitlochry Festival Theatre**

Lindisfarne legend, Rod Clements,  
delivers up a non-stop feast of unfor-  
gettable songs and instrumental wiz-  
ardry, featuring his trademark spine-  
tingling slide guitar, heartfelt vocals  
and dry humour. Box Office Tele-  
phone - 01796 484626 Email: [boxof-  
fice@pitlochry.org.uk](mailto:boxoffice@pitlochry.org.uk)  
Web  
[www.PitlochryFestivalTheatre.com](http://www.PitlochryFestivalTheatre.com)

**Friday 28th May at 2pm-  
Atholl Palace Tree Walk  
Meet at the steps outside main  
entrance. Free event**

Meet the Gardeners Innes Smith &  
Kenny Macpherson for a guided walk  
around the hotel grounds – see the  
Heritage Trees planted in the 1870's.  
Species include Giant Sequoia,  
Coastal Redwood, Tulip Tree, Purple  
Beech, Noble Fir, Larch, Western Red  
Cedar, many magnificent Douglas  
Firs and an elegant Lime Avenue.  
There are small areas of ancient  
woodland with oak trees and associ-  
ated native wildflowers. Contact:  
Sally Spaven, Pitlochry in Bloom  
01796 472020  
[www.athollpalace.com](http://www.athollpalace.com) or  
[www.pitlochryinbloom.co.uk](http://www.pitlochryinbloom.co.uk)

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son Booking essential for further in-  
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**Saturday 29th & Sunday 30th  
May 10am - 4pm  
Kenmore Craft Fair  
Kenmore**

contact Christine 01887 830849 e/  
mail [christinesofflet@hotmail.com](mailto:christinesofflet@hotmail.com)

**Saturday 29th May - 4th Jun  
2010  
Pitlochry Golf Course - Pitlochry  
Golf Week**

**Pitlochry Golf Club Pitlochry**  
Pitlochry Golf Week was established  
in 1979 and includes various organ-  
ised competitions, tuition and eve-  
ning entertainment throughout the  
week. Participation conditional on

staying at a tournament hotel.  
 Admission - Prices on application  
 Contact - Derek Smail  
 Tel 01796 472862  
 Email: [pro@pitlochrygolf.co.uk](mailto:pro@pitlochrygolf.co.uk)  
 Web [www.pitlochrygolf.co.uk](http://www.pitlochrygolf.co.uk)

**Saturday 29th 2010  
 Perth 800 - The Scottish Orienteering Championships  
 Rannoch**

The Scottish Orienteering Championships builds on the successful bi-annual, Scottish 6 Day International Orienteering festival held in Perthshire which attracted around 3500 competitors. The Scottish Orienteering Championships is one of the biggest events in the Scottish Orienteering Association's calendar. Perthshire has some of the best orienteering areas in Britain and in 2010 Perth will host the championships with the aim of developing orienteering participation levels amongst both beginners and school children. Contact - Scott Fraser Telephone- 07809 722420  
 Email: [scott.fraser@scottish-orienteering.org](mailto:scott.fraser@scottish-orienteering.org)  
 Web [www.scottish-orienteering.org](http://www.scottish-orienteering.org)

**Saturday 29th - 31st May  
 Heart of Scotland 100 are organising a long distance walk**

The 39th Long Distance Walkers Association 100-mile event will take place in Scotland for the first time in the history of the event. The walk starts in **Dunkeld**, "the fort of the Celts", a town that played a key role in early Scottish history. From Dunkeld the route takes you to Kirkmichael via Loch Ordie and an old peat road. Leaving Kirkmichael on the Catevan Trail the path leads to Enochdhu, then a wee bit of road walking and thence up the glen to Daldhu, Shinagag, and on to Blair Atholl. From there it is off to Bruar via the Bruar Falls using a passageway under the A9. A cycle track leads to Dalnacardoch and on to Loch Errochty crossing via the dam wall and onto the track that, apart from a bit heather-bashing, takes you onto the descent to the breakfast stop at Kinloch Rannoch.

Homeward bound now via the Tempar Bothy, skirting the flank of mighty Schiehallion and descending to Fortinghall, home of Europe's oldest tree.

Around Drummond Hill and then down the riverside path recently developed by PKCT taking you to the bridge at Aberfeldy. A forest track eventually leads back to Dunkeld and a well-earned, possibly traditional, Scottish breakfast and thence to a good rest before attempting the journey home!

[www.heartofscotland100.org.uk/](http://www.heartofscotland100.org.uk/)

**Saturday 29th May 11.00 - 12.00**

**Atholl Highlanders' Talk  
 Blair Castle Blair Atholl**

Discover more about the fascinating history of the Atholl Highlanders, Blair Castle's private army. This special talk explains how the regiment were granted their colours by Queen Victoria and the traditions behind the annual parade at Blair Castle. There will also be an opportunity to view a newly acquired shield used at the Eglinton tournament in 1839. Your chance to find out more about the regiment. Prices: Free with Castle ticket. Also includes access to the Atholl Highlanders' Parade at 2.30pm. Booking: Not required

**Saturday 29th May Parade begins at 2.30pm**

**Atholl Highlanders Parade  
 Blair Castle grounds Blair Atholl**

The Highland Gathering and Atholl Highlanders' Parade takes place on the Bank Holiday weekend at the end of May every year. This unrivalled spectacle gives locals and visitors alike the chance to participate in a unique Highland tradition that has persisted for generations. Saturday is Parade day, when the Atholl Highlanders, Europe's last remaining private army, parade in full dress uniform. Led by their stirring pipes and drums, the Highlanders march ceremoniously onto the forecourt of Blair Castle, where they then await inspection by His Grace the Duke of Atholl, their Colonel. Beginning at 2.30pm and continuing

for about an hour, the Highlanders' Parade is a truly memorable experience for everyone involved, harking back to Scotland's rich cultural heritage with flair, spectacle and pride. For Scots and guests alike, the Atholl Highlanders' Parade, full of magnificent sound and atmosphere, stirs the blood and reminds you of why the Highlanders of old provoked such fear and respect among their enemies. Admission - Adults £4, Children £2 Contact - Blair Castle Tel - 01796 481207

Email: [office@blair-castle.co.uk](mailto:office@blair-castle.co.uk)

Web [www.blair-castle.co.uk](http://www.blair-castle.co.uk)

**Saturday 29th May 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

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**Sunday 30th May 1pm-5pm  
Gardens Open - Achnacloich  
(joint opening with Farleyer  
Field House)  
by Aberfeldy**

Two gardens set in a scenic part of Perthshire. The first is a young garden of 1½ acres, consisting of an interesting mix of trees, shrubs and perennials. A short walk away is the second garden of 3½ acres, still evolving after 10 years. Here there are herbaceous borders, ponds, woodland paths and plenty of shrubs and roses. Admission - £4 to include both gardens Scotland's Garden Scheme Telephone - 0131 226 3714 Email: [info@sgsgardens.co.uk](mailto:info@sgsgardens.co.uk) Web [www.gardensofscotland.org](http://www.gardensofscotland.org)

**Sunday 30th May 2010 Games  
start at approximately 1.15pm  
Atholl Gathering & Highland  
Games  
Target Park, Blair Castle Blair  
Atholl**

**Sunday 30th May 12 noon-  
4.00pm**

**Atholl Highland Games –**

Join the NTS Countryside Rangers at their stall for some children's activities including touch tables, crafts and games, exploring Perthshire's biodiversity. Charge: Free after entry to games Tel: 0844 4932192 [www.nts.org.uk](http://www.nts.org.uk)

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**Monday 31st May 11am -4pm  
Twist, Turn & Tow:**

**The Scottish Crannog Centre,  
Kenmore, Loch Tay**

Ancient Fibrecraft Spin a yarn, make string and ropes, felt a fleece, and colour with natural dyes. Normal entry + £3 Tel. 01887 830583 [www.crannog.co.uk](http://www.crannog.co.uk)

**Every Monday from 31st May –  
6th September  
Robert Wiseman Dairies Vale of  
Atholl Pipe Band  
Highland Night**

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 e.mail [gmcnab00@aol.com](mailto:gmcnab00@aol.com) [www.highlandnight.co.uk](http://www.highlandnight.co.uk)

**Monday 31st May 8pm  
Sarah Jane Summers Trio  
Pitlochry Festival Theatre**

Sarah Jane brings a rich Highland fiddle sound with a Nordic edge to Pitlochry for the first time. Together with Ewan McPherson and Duncan Lyall on guitar and double bass respectively, this will be a unique, intimate concert. Box Office Telephone - 01796 484626 Email: boxof-

[office@pitlochry.org.uk](mailto:office@pitlochry.org.uk) Web [www.PitlochryFestivalTheatre.com](http://www.PitlochryFestivalTheatre.com)

**Sunday 30th May 2pm Ages  
5+ (must be accompanied by at  
least one adult)**

**The White Rabbit Treasure Hunt  
and The Mad Hatter's Tea Party  
Birnam Arts Centre, Birnam by  
Dunkeld**

The White Rabbit's Treasure Hunt and Mad-Hatter's Tea Party with The Walking Theatre Company. So much fun with this theatre-based, interactive performance for children and parents! Join the award-winning, Argyll based Walking Theatre Company and the White Rabbit on a guided adventure through your own outdoor wonderland, experiencing unique outdoor drama and learning how the environment grows – then go back to the arts centre for a fun-filled, Mad Hatter's tea party. £6 Tel Box office 01350 727674 [www.birnamarts.com](http://www.birnamarts.com)

**What A Month!!**

Etape Caledonia Closed Road Race  
The First Performance of the season of  
Kiss Me Kate at the  
Pitlochry Festival Theatre !  
The Perthshire Cycling Festival  
Scottish Orienteering Championships  
Heart of Scotland 100—Long Distance Walk  
Atholl Highlanders Parade  
The Atholl Gathering

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e.mail [eileen@explorescotland.net](mailto:eileen@explorescotland.net) with Date/Time/Event/Venue/Price

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