

Lochgoilhead Fiddle Workshop

@ Strachur

Dates for your Diary

New! Weekly Mixed Instrument Session

Wed 16th October

Strachur Hall

Bute Music Session

Saturday 19th Oct

Strachur Lantern Parade

Tue 3rd Dec

Christmas Party

Mon 9th Dec

Mod Winners!

Feels like Deja vu!

Rehearsing over the summer paid off again. Our group of fiddlers retained The Dr and Mrs Atholl Robertson (Oban) Trophy.

Thanks to all who took part and special thanks to all our loyal supporters (or was it the lure of lunch at The Pipers Tryst that brought them along??).

The Mod takes place in Inverness next year. Anyone interested?



We were also invited to take part in Mod Ghlaschu 2019 'Care for a Ceilidh', held in the atrium of the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital. A lovely ending to an enjoyable day. Thanks to Donnie MacLeod for asking us.

https://www.facebook.com/pg/CareForACeilidh/photos/?ref=page_internal



Classes resume with NEW TUTOR

We hope everyone has had a good summer. A warm welcome to all members, old and new, and a very warm welcome to our new tutor, Claire Gullan. Claire is a freelance musician, instrumental tutor, Scottish composer, and artist based in Glasgow. Originally from the North East of Scotland she has made Glasgow her base since graduating from the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland in 2004. She is also involved in a range of community projects throughout Scotland, including the Conservatoire outreach projects. We are delighted to have Claire as our tutor for the new session.

Classes this year have changed. We now have teaching on Mondays only and classes include beginners, improvers and more experienced players. These classes will take place in Strachurmore Pavilion. See timetable, last page, for dates and times.

Weekly Mixed Instrument Sessions

Wednesday 16th October
Strachur New Hall
7pm
ALL WELCOME



In place of tutor-led classes on Wednesday evenings we are going to hold weekly mixed instrument sessions. These will take place in Strachur New Hall from 7pm.

They are open to all members and non-members and all abilities. It will be good fun and a great way to improve your playing and increase your repertoire. From beginners to more advanced players, there will be something for everyone. All musical instruments welcome. Spread the word.

A small donation required to cover the hire of the hall and the usual refreshments.

LFW A.G.M.

Our A.G.M. took place on Wednesday 19th June 2019 in Strachur Memorial Hall.

The new committee was duly elected and is as follows:

Chair: Alison Duncan

Treasurer: Teresa Hunt-Earle

Secretary: Evie Campbell

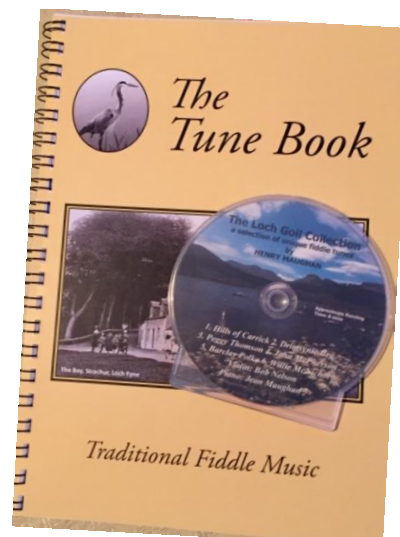
Committee Members: Maggie Adams, Maureen Brankin

The Tune Book

Due to popular demand 'The Tune Book' has had a second print run. The quality has been improved by laminating the outer covers so it won't tear easily with use.

Ideal Christmas present and only £16 if bought direct from the workshop. (if needed p&p £3).

Go on, treat someone this year!



Music Day Out to Rothesay



Traditional Music Session
'The Bank of Ideas'
High Street
Isle of Bute
Saturday 19th October
11.30am - 4.30pm



Do you find pub sessions are just too quick? This could be for you. Play with or without music but at a sensible speed.

Morning session 11.30am - 1pm

Aim is to provide a safe practice / rehearsal time for those who can't or through sight problems, are unable to read music. And also for those who maybe just want to try playing tunes without music in front of them 'all the time'. Play tunes together at a steadier pace.

Afternoon session 2.15pm-4.30pm

An informal session with tunes played at a steady pace with or without music. Please bring along a couple of tunes with you and a suggested tune list can be provided based on Scratchy's Tunes List. <https://scratchynoisies.wordpress.com/scratchy-noises-tunes>

Don't worry about making mistakes, we are here to learn and improve a little together.

Suitable for intermediate players.

Cost- a small donation towards venue hire

Bring a packed lunch.

More information Mary at mglang@hotmail.co.uk

Don't mention Christmas!

We have been invited to play at the Strachur Youth Club Lantern Parade on Tuesday 3rd December. This is an annual event where the Christmas tree lights are switched on. It is a fun evening when the community gathers to celebrate the start of Christmas festivities. We will accompany those attending, mostly parents with their children, and play three or so carols. Please support the workshop and VOLUNTEER to take part!



Regular Events

Strachur New Hall Wednesdays 7pm. Mixed Instrument Sessions. All levels of ability welcome. Run by LFW.

McClures Thursdays in McClures Pub, Ferry Brae, Dunoon.

8 to 10-ish, in the back room. Mixed instruments including fiddles, guitars, mandolins, accordions and small pipes. All ability ranges are catered for.

Check with Martin Donovan, owner, to confirm session is on, before going.

Tel. no. 01369 704888

Glasgow Fiddle Workshop (GFW)

Very Slow Session held twice a month in the **Knolls Kitchen Bar (previously Siempre) 162 Dumbarton Rd, Glasgow, G11 6XE**. It is run by Finlay Allison, tutor of GFW. It's usually the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month but check their website before heading off.

www.glasgowfiddle.org.uk

Tunes and music also available on the GFW website.

Ardkinglas Events

For information on all events check info@ardkinglas.co

Tel 01499-600261 Advance booking essential.



Dunoon Burgh Hall

The newly refurbished Dunoon Burgh Hall is open to all as a creative, cultural hub for Cowal. The historic B listed Dunoon Burgh Hall is now a fully accessible venue for exhibitions, performances and gatherings. Alongside a gallery and theatre, the venue offers creative workshop space, a garden and a cafe.

The restoration of Dunoon Burgh Hall is an inspiring story of a small Scottish community coming together to preserve its rich cultural heritage. The building was rescued from demolition by the community, who worked with the John McAslan Family Trust to purchase it from Fyne Homes housing association in 2008 for a token £1.

Since then The Dunoon Burgh Hall Trust and staff have worked to raise investment to restore the building. It reopened in June 2017 with an exciting program of activities and events.

There are regular music sessions held in the café.

For more information and to see what's on?

<https://www.dunoonburghhall.org.uk>

Information & News

Websites

Here are a few websites that may be of interest:

www.fiddleworkshop.co.uk
www.handsupfortrad.scot
www.tracscotland.org
www.ardkinglas.com
www.glasgowfiddle.org.uk
www.strachursmiddy.org.uk
www.thesession.org
www.visitcowal.co.uk
www.cantalibre.de
www.nigelgatherer.com
www.thesession.org
www.celticconnections.com
www.scotsfiddlefestival.com
www.mudcatcafe.org
www.dunoonburghhall.org.uk

Lochgoilhead Fiddle Workshop Facebook pages:

Closed group:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/225069111284178>

Public group:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/982772851824826>

Also check out Kathy's Facebook site

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/heyfiddlediddle>

Creggans Inn, Strachur

01369 860279

Bay Cottage, Strachur

01369 860221

Inver Cottage, Strathlachlan

01369 860537

Ardentinny Hotel

01369 810126

Loch Fyne Oysters, Cairndow

01499 600264

The George Hotel, Inveraray

01499 302111

Fiddle Maintenance

John Kelly offers a fiddle maintenance service at reasonable rates. John can be contacted by email: jkargyll@gmail.com

He also builds mandolins and repairs guitars.

Another of Evie's prize winning arrangements at Strachur Flower Show, August 2019



Committee Contact Details

Chairperson: Alison Duncan allylininside@googlemail.com

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Secretary: Evie Campbell evie.campbell@fiddleworkshop.co.uk

Are there any sessions, folk pubs, forthcoming events, or photos that might be of interest? Or have you been to any workshops? A few words about them would be appreciated. Send to Evie by email.

Copy deadline for next Newsletter Friday 2nd May 2020.

LOCHGOILHEAD FIDDLE WORKSHOP CLASS TIMETABLE

2019

2020

SEPTEMBER			JANUARY		
Monday	Weds	Details	Monday	Weds	Details
02		Regist. 6.30pm & session			
09		Come & Try 6.30 pm	06	08	
16			13	15	
23	25		20	22	
30			27	29	
OCTOBER			FEBRUARY		
07 th , 14 th – NO CLASSES			03	05	
	16		10 th – NO CLASSES		
21	23		17	12	
28	30		24	19	
NOVEMBER			MARCH		
04	06		02	04	
11	13		09	11	
18	20		16	18	
25	27		23	25	
			30		
DECEMBER			APRIL		
02	04			01	
09	11	PARTY	06 th , 13 th – NO CLASSES		
16 th , 23 rd , 30 th – NO CLASSES			20	22	
			27		
			MAY		
			04	06	
				13	PARTY

DENOTES MONDAY CLASSES

DENOTES WEDNESDAY

Improver Class 3pm – 4pm
 Intermediate Class 4.15pm – 5.45pm
 Beginner Class 6pm – 7pm

All sessions start 7pm