

# events diary

St Marnock District
West of Scotland

September 2022 - February 2023





#### Welcome to the Autumn/ Winter edition of the West of Scotland Events Diary.

With lockdown ending earlier this year, members have thankfully been able to get out and about again and we've enjoyed some great trips. You will be able to learn more about them in the forthcoming newsletter.

Over the next six months, we'll continue to explore places of interest, appreciate fine cuisine and enjoy an evening at the theatre. There really is something for everyone. You can read about our outings in the following pages.

Our monthly coffee mornings are well attended and offer members an informal opportunity to meet up for a chat over a cup of coffee. Dates and venue information are detailed within this diary.

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I'm looking forward to welcoming members, old and new, to our events and coffee mornings. If anyone requires further information about any of the above, please do get in touch with me.

Christine Social Events Organiser

## events programme

## Irish Lakeland, Dublin and Galway Monday 19 - Friday 23 September, 9am

Travelling by coach and ferry, we will enjoy a trip to Irish Lakeland, Dublin and Galway, staying in the stylish Bloomfield House Hotel in Mullingar. The hotel is located on the shores of Lough Ennell and is known for its excellent cuisine. Included in the cost are three excursions. Lullymore Heritage and Discovery Park and Mullingar, Galway and Dublin.



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The award winning Lullymore Heritage and Discovery Park is set in 60 acres of landscaped grounds. Discover Irish culture and heritage at the park's interactive exhibition and

replica ancient dwellings. Galway is ideally compact for a leisurely stroll through winding streets, where you will find traditional craft shops, music venues and hidden treasures. A guided tour of Dublin will highlight the many attractions in the city. You can learn about the Celtic storytelling and superstition at the quirky Leprechaun Museum or enjoy a drink in the Brazen Head which dates back to the 12th century. Cost: £439 sharing/£539 single. Address: Bloomfield House Hotel, Leisure Club & Spa, Mullingar, Co. Westmeath, Ireland N91 HP8E.

## Johnnie Walker Journey of Flavour with Drinks and Snacks in The Rooftop Bar Wednesday 26 October, 11am

Johnnie Walker Experience, 145 Princes Street, Edinburgh EH2 4BL

Join us on a journey through John Walker's epic search for flavours that bring people together for enjoyment. We will learn about Johnnie Walker's pioneering spirit and how he created the whisky flavours enjoyed by people worldwide to this day.



The experience includes: Full sensory 90 minute tour with guide, Three whiskies tailored to your

preference (non-alcoholic option available), 10% off products in the retail section Following the tour, we will have drinks and snacks in the 1820 Rooftop Bar which offers stunning views of Edinburgh Castle. Cost: £28 (Tour only), drinks and snacks to be purchased individually (approximately £10 - £15).

## The Burrell Collection and Lunch in The Burrell Restaurant

Wednesday 16 November, 11am

The Burrell Collection, Pollok Country Park, 2060 Pollokshaws Road, Glasgow G43 1AT

'The Burrell Collection is one of Europe's most beautiful museums...There is nowhere like this place' Edwin Heathcote, Financial Times.



Image courtesy of The Burrell Collection

March 2022 Learn about Sir William Burrell's love of art, even as a schoolboy and how he made his fortune in the family business, which allowed him to pursue his love of collecting art.

The Burrell Collection recently re-opened following major refurbishment and houses 9,000 pieces of art. Following the tour, we will enjoy lunch in The Burrell Restaurant where a wide range of food is available. **Cost:** Tour £12, lunch £10 - £15 (approximately for two courses).

## Christmas Lunch at The Pipers'

## Tryst, Glasgow Monday 19 December, 1pm

The Pipers' Tryst, 30–34 McPhater Street, Glasgow G4 0HW

One of Glasgow's hidden gems, The Pipers' Tryst is located within The Piping Centre in McPhater Street and can be seen from the top of Hope Street.



Image courtesy of Pipers Tryst Hotel

It's within a short walk (less than five minutes) from Glasgow's Buchanan Street Bus Station. We'll enjoy a festive lunch with locally sourced produce in a friendly, relaxed atmosphere. The afternoon will then be free for those who want to enjoy Christmas in Glasgow and do some last minute shopping or see the lights in George Square. **Cost:** £25 (three courses).

Further events are being added, see: www.oddfellows.co.uk/events.

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## The Elvis Years 'The Story of the King' at Glasgow Royal Concert Hall

Friday 13 January 2023, 6.30pm

Glasgow Royal Concert Hall, 2 Sauchiehall Street, Glasgow G2 3NY

What better way to kick start 2023 than an evening in Glasgow's Royal Concert Hall to hear the story of Elvis? The Elvis Years is an outstanding musical production which brings to the stage the incredible and compelling story of the 'King of Rock and Roll' – Elvis Presley.



With nostalgic film footage and over 12 costume changes, this glittering two-hour production features classic hits including – 'That's Alright Mama, Suspicious Minds, It's Now or Never, Heartbreak Hotel, Blue Suede Shoes, Hound Dog, Love Me Tender, If I Can Dream and many more. The performance starts at 7.30pm in Glasgow Royal Concert Hall. We will meet beforehand for drinks in the Royal Concert Hall Café at 6.30pm (not included in price). Please note: There is limited availability for this event and will be on a first come, first served basis. **Cost:** £28 (excluding drinks).

## **Glasgow City Sightseeing Tour and**

Lunch in Di Maggio's Wednesday 15 February, 11am

City Sightseeing Tours, George Square, Glasgow G2 1AL



This is the perfect way to improve your knowledge of Glasgow, a city steeped in history and famous landmarks. The tour lasts approximately 90 minutes, with pick up and drop off in George Square. Following the tour, we will have lunch in Di Maggio's, one of Glasgow's famous Italian restaurants where you can sample some excellent Italian cuisine.

You are then free to take the tour bus again from George Square and hop on, hop off at your leisure at the 21 stops. **Cost:** Tour £15, lunch £16.95 – two courses.



Join us at one of our online new member welcome events

Tues 18 October, 7pm

Weds 19 October, 1.30pm

For further information visit: www.oddfellows.co.uk/welcome

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To refer someone you know and make their day, either call Membership on **0800 028 1810**, visit our Members' Area at **www.oddfellows.co.uk** or fill in the **Refer a Friend form** available from your Branch Secretary.

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## social meetings

Everyone is welcome to join us at our Social Meetings which are a great opportunity for members to meet up regularly without the planning and cost involved with other events. The meetings generally take place in Glasgow on the last Monday of the month. As always, they include the usual cuppa, and cake/shortbread courtesy of Oddfellows.



The date, time, place and any other relevant information e.g. speakers details, theme will be confirmed to members by email/text a couple of weeks prior to the meeting. If members do not have text or email facilities, they should contact either Christine or Yvonne.

#### **Social Meetings Information**

#### Monday 26 September, 10.30am

Glasgow Royal Concert Hall, 2 Sauchiehall Street, Glasgow G2 3NY.

#### Monday 31 October, 10.30am

Glasgow Royal Concert Hall, 2 Sauchiehall Street, Glasgow G2 3NY.

#### Monday 28 November, 10.30am

Glasgow Royal Concert Hall, 2 Sauchiehall Street, Glasgow G2 3NY.

#### Please note there is no coffee event in December

#### Monday 30 January, 10.30am

Glasgow Royal Concert Hall, 2 Sauchiehall Street, Glasgow G2 3NY.

#### Monday 27 February, 10.30am

Glasgow Royal Concert Hall, 2 Sauchiehall Street, Glasgow G2 3NY.

## \*Please note, dates, times and venues for these meetings may be subject to change\*.

We will confirm details whenever possible approximately two weeks prior to these meetings by either email or text. Members, who do not have access to a mobile phone or have email, should contact Yvonne or Christine for information. It is important that you confirm your attendance for these meetings.

## At a glance

| September 202 | 22 - Friend | ship Month |
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| Mon 19 | Irish Lakeland, Dublin and Galway | 9am     |
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| Mon 26 | Coffee Morning                    | 10.30am |

#### October

| Wed 26 | Johnnie Walker Journey of Flavour with | 11am    |
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|        | Drinks and Snacks in The Rooftop Bar   |         |
| Mon 31 | Coffee Morning                         | 10.30am |

#### **November**

| Wed 16 | The Burrell Collection and Lunch in The Burrell Restaurant | 11am    |
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| Mon 28 | Coffee Morning   | 10.30am |

#### **December**

| Mon 19 | Christmas Lunch at The Pipers' Tryst, Glasgow | 1pm |
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#### January 2023

| <b>Fri 13</b> The Elvis Years 'The Story of the King' at Glasgow Royal Concert Hall 6.30pm |                |  |  |  |         |
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| Mon 30   | Coffee Morning |  |  |  | 10.30am |

#### **February**

| Wed 15 | Glasgow City Sightseeing Tour and Lunch in Di Maggio's | 11am    |
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| Mon 27 | Coffee Morning   | 10.30am |

## **Booking and Cancellations**

Please remember the importance of early booking for all events to avoid disappointment or cancellation due to lack of support. Please note that a place is not guaranteed at any event until full payment has been received.

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