

FALKLAND CENTRE FOR STEWARDSHIP

News

Spring 2010



SNOWDROP FESTIVAL - A WOODLAND AWAKENING

1 February - 14 March 2010

Falkland Estate has joined the woodlands at Cambo and West Valley Woodland to celebrate the arrival of the snowdrops, a welcome sign that Spring is on its way. So why not step into the woods to enjoy the emerging snowdrops, discover a new layer of this place taking an audio walk or attend one of our workshops or concerts?



WILLOW WEAVING WORKSHOPS

Children aged 8+ are invited to join Jane Wilkinson for a half day sessions learning how to create God's eyes, dreamcatchers, fish etc. There are four sessions to choose from. **Numbers are limited so book now!**

Wednesday 10th Feb, 10am to 12.30pm

Wednesday 10th Feb, 1pm to 3.30pm

Thursday 11th Feb, 1pm to 3.30pm

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Cost is £3 to cover materials and refreshments.



Falkland Centre for Stewardship is part of the Falkland Heritage Trust.

BIG TENT 2010

Friday 23 July to Sunday 25 July 2010



Can you believe that Big Tent will be five years old this summer? Over the last few years we have seen the festival grow in numbers and in quality to be recognised as the environmental festival for Scotland. We had a great time in 2009 with new zones including the Wild About Wood and the Climate Champions Zone. We were also delighted to receive an outstanding Greener Festival award.

Plans are already well ahead for celebrations in 2010. Put the dates Friday 23rd to Sunday 25th July in your diary now! We will be launching the festival on Friday evening with a great music line up so keep an eye on our website as the programme develops www.bigtentfestival.co.uk. Tickets are already on sale via the website and for a limited time only, there's an early bird special of 10% off the ticket price.

If you are part of a group or community that has something to say to our Big Tent visitors, or perhaps a trader selling fair trade goods, or you are interested in volunteering, then get in touch with us. <http://www.bigtentfestival.co.uk/takingpart.php>

POETRY WALK WITH ANNA CROWE: A CONVERSATION WITH THE LANDSCAPE

Sunday 26 April 2pm to 4pm

A gentle amble up Maspie Den to the Yad and back taking the shape of a conversation with the landscape and its genius loci, a process of listening and speaking back, give and take, as we absorb the sounds and features around us and learn something of the history of the place. Please bring an open mind, a good pair of stout shoes and a notebook and pen.

Donations welcome. Please reserve your space by calling 01337 858838.

MASTER COMPOSTER SCHEME

The Master Composter Scheme for North East Fife is now in its second year, managed by the Falkland Stewards.

The national Master Composter Scheme is a partnership between Community Recycling Network (CRNS), the Scottish government, Waste Resources Action Programme and Waste Aware Scotland.

The aim of the scheme is to raise awareness of the benefits of home composting and, as part of the national scheme, to help divert waste from landfill. The programme provides support through a network of trained volunteers, supported by the Master composter project officer.

If you would like free advice on composting at home or are interested in being trained as a volunteer, please contact Jenny Methven for further details T. 0790 0350756 E. jenny@centreforstewardship.org.uk.

VOLUNTEERING THURSDAY 10am to 4pm every Thursday

Opportunities to work with other volunteers and the Falkland Centre for Stewardship team on a variety of woodlands stewardship tasks such as biodiversity work, pruning young hardwoods and rhododendron control. Call 01337 858838.

SUPPORT OUR WORK

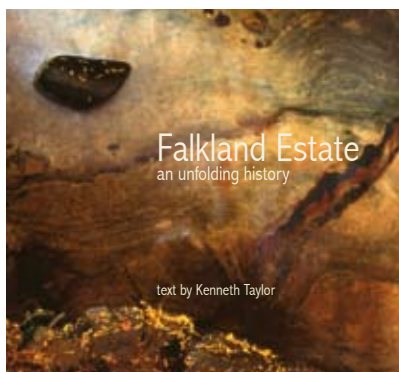
By becoming a Friend of Falkland's Heritage you will be helping to maintain the historic landscape of Falkland Estate. You will also benefit from discounted tickets to events we organise.

Under 16s £5
Single Membership £10
Family Membership £20
Organisations £55

Cheques, made payable to Falkland Centre for Stewardship can be handed in or posted to the office

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FALKLAND ESTATE - AN UNFOLDING HISTORY

This is a newly published book that traces the history of Falkland Estate through the people and the landscape. Written by one of Scotland's foremost environmental authors, Kenny Taylor brings the landscape alive. Also available by the same author is the Four Walks Guide with inspirational walks around Falkland Estate.

**Contact office to buy.
Book £4, walk guide £2 or both together for £5.**



TASTE OF FALKLAND ESTATE

Home Farm produce is now available to buy. Pop in to Estate Office or call 01337 858544.

- Eggs from organically fed chickens £1.50 for six.
- 7 kilo bags of organic potatoes - £3.50.
- Organic turnips - 50p.
- Selection of organic beef - prices vary.



AUDIO WALKS Part of the Snowdrops Festival 1 Feb - 14 March

Take a sound walk through Falkland Estate's hidden and unfolding designed landscape - encountering tuned burns, the ancient geology of Maspie Den and the acoustics of the House of Falkland and Tyndall Bruce Monument. We have been working with sound artists Louise K Wilson and David Chapman to develop this walk and is part of their research to explore and uncover the sonic properties of the Estate. Pick up MP3 players from our offices or participating shops and tearooms in Falkland. Walks can last up to two hours.

Visit our website for further details.

DARK SKIES 14 March

Explore the skies with help from the team of the Royal Observatory and their Star Lab. There's a range of activities during the afternoon including comet making, rocket making and launching. Then in the evening there will be some star gazing (and an astronomy talk if the skies aren't clear).

Workshops are restricted to 25 people so please book in advance. There's no charge for the workshops but donations are welcome.

Check website for times.



springFest Traditional Songs & Music Falkland Palace Chapel

Wednesday 10 March

Iain Anderson, Gemma Donald, Jeana Leslie, Siobhan Miller, Norrie McIvor, Neil Paterson, Peter Shephard, Alan Small, The Early Learning Ceilidh Band

Thursday 11 March

Iain Anderson, Simon Chadwick, Gemma Donald, Chris Miles, Neil Paterson, Peter Shephard, Arthur Watson

Also showing on both nights is Arcadia, a unique sound piece using the 17th century Dutch tapestry as a 'score'.

From 7.00 pm
Interval with refreshments
£5/£3 concession

For information on tickets, how to book and further details, visit our website
www.centreforstewardship.org.uk