DOORS OPEN DAYS 2018
PERTH AND KINROSS
SEPTEMBER

Perth and Kinross Heritage Trust

3 weekends
55 venues | all free

www.doorsopendays.org.uk
Welcome to Doors Open Days 2018

Welcome to Doors Open Days, Scotland’s largest free festival that celebrates heritage and the built environment, new and old. Every September you can explore hundreds of fascinating buildings across Scotland for free.

Doors Open Days in Perth and Kinross is organised by geographical area over the first three weekends in September:

Saturday 15th & Sunday 16th: Highland and Eastern Perthshire
Saturday 22nd & Sunday 23rd: Strathearn and Kinross-shire
Saturday 29th & Sunday 30th: Perth City

Doors Open Days is a national event run by the Scottish Civic Trust and supported by Historic Environment Scotland. Information about the national programme, including event listings, can be found at www.doorsopendays.org.uk.

Thanks are due to the custodians and owners of the buildings and to everyone who contributes to Doors Open Days for their enthusiastic and voluntary participation.

Perth and Kinross Archaeology Month is also taking place in September this year as part of the annual Scottish Archaeology Month. The programme offers residents and visitors a variety of ways to actively engage with the historic environment. Dunkeld is the focal point this year with lots of exciting activities on offer as part of the King’s Seat Hillfort Archaeology Project. Events delivered across the region by other local and national heritage organisations are available at www.archaeologyscotland.org.uk.

A digital copy of this programme can be downloaded from www.pkht.org.uk/doors-open-days

Perth and Kinross Doors Open Days and Archaeology Month are organised by Perth and Kinross Heritage Trust and funded by the Gannochy Trust.

In this brochure you’ll find information about each of the venues or events taking place this year. Symbols show access and facilities available and maps showing general locations are at the back of the brochure. Look out for the balloons and blue banners signposting Doors Open Days venues.

Some events require advance booking. To avoid disappointment, book early! Most reservations can be made through www.EventBrite.com. Details are included with each event listing.

Doors Open Days, along with Scottish Archaeology Month, take place throughout Scotland in September and are part of European Heritage Days. #dodscot

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Front cover: Blair Hill: the old Hill Primary School, Blairgowrie ©Corryard
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BACK TO SCHOOL

To celebrate the Scottish Year of Young People, Perth and Kinross Doors Open Days has a special theme:
‘Back to School: past, present and future’

The 2018 programme features:

**Past Schools:** buildings that have been put to new uses;

**Current Schools:** buildings in operation as centres of learning; and

**Future Schools:** buildings still under construction.

You can follow the theme across all three of Perth and Kinross’s Doors Open Days weekends allowing you to appreciate the architecture of education - past, present and future wherever Doors Open Days takes you.

THE BACK TO SCHOOL CHALLENGE

Add a little competition to your Doors Open Days experience by taking the Back to School Challenge. Visit at least 3 of the listed education buildings and submit a photograph of yourself at each venue to win a Perth and Kinross Heritage Trust publication. Entries must include a venue from each weekend.

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Entries to: gavin.lindsay@pkht.org.uk | By: 5 Oct. 2018
1. Sunnybrae Cottage, 156 Atholl Road, Pitlochry, PH16 5AR

A fine survival of an 18th century Celtic Cuppil cottage that predates the settlement of Pitlochry surrounding it. Distinct within the streetscape because of its corrugated-iron roof (with thatch surviving beneath!), the cottage has evidence for a hanging lum, the former fireplace around which family life would have been played out. An ‘A’ listed monument, Sunnybrae Cottage is in the care of Historic Environment Scotland (HES). Sign up for this rare opportunity to see inside on a Doors Open Day.

**Saturday 15 Sept**
Guided tours at 11:00 (max 12 places); drop-in session 14:00-15:00 (NB: Max 6 people able to access interior at any one time). Hard hats may be necessary: these will be provided.

Booking essential for tours, please contact HES: 01315 507603 or visitoropsadmin@hes.scot

2. Moulin Kirk and the Pitlochry & Moulin Heritage Centre, Moulin Square, Pitlochry, PH16 5EH

Situated in the centre of the beautiful conservation village, Moulin Kirk was rebuilt in 1875 following a devastating fire. The kirk now houses much of the written heritage of Pitlochry and Moulin ranging from archaeology to the history of a WWI mica factory. The Pulpit area has been retained and restored to its original layout using old photographs. Come along to see spinning in action, hear about different dying methods and read about the women of the parish who paid their rents by spinning and weaving linen.

**Saturday 15 & Sunday 16 Sept 14:00-16:00**
Guided tours every hour between 10:00 & 15:00

**WC**

3. Kindrogan House, Kindrogan Field Centre, Enochdhu, Blairgowrie, PH10 7PG

Once the private home of the Keir, and later, Balfour families, the beautiful early 19th century house of Kindrogan is set in wooded grounds on the banks of the river Ardle. Kindrogan is part of the Field Studies Council, an environmental education charity providing outdoor learning opportunities for all ages and abilities to discover, explore, and understand the environment. Join staff for tours of the house – they know the best places to seek out the local red squirrels, pine martens and ptarmigan and can provide information on the wide range of courses on offer.

**Saturday 15 & Sunday 16 Sept 10:00-16:00**
Guided tours every hour between 10:00 & 15:00

Tea, coffee and homemade cakes on offer

4. Blackcraig Bridge House, Ballintuim, Blairgowrie, PH10 7PX

An elaborate, baronial covered bridge with gatehouse above is a unique design in Scotland dating to 1870. Designed by Patrick Allan Fraser, this magical and truly picturesque building located on the principal approach to Blackcraig Castle is a new open door for 2018 that’s not to be missed.

**Saturday 15 Sept 11:00-14:00**

Self-guided tours, please enter using eastern staircase (on left of arch below). Steep stairs & low parapet, please keep children under close supervision. Parking available before crossing the bridge

**WC**
5. Fortingall Kirk & Village Guided Walk, Fortingall, PH15 2NQ

Fortingall Kirk was rebuilt in a simple Arts and Crafts style in 1902 on a very early religious site beside an ancient Yew Tree. Inside, under the oak, barrel-vaulted roof, are relics of the 7th century Celtic Monastery including fragments of fine Pictish carved cross-slabs. View an exhibition covering the history of the Kirk and village, with details of recent archaeological work in the Kirkyard that involved local schoolchildren.

Saturday 15 Sept 10:30-17:00

Guided historical village walk available in the afternoon; phone 01887 830474 to book a place

Located 8 miles west of Aberfeldy
Limited parking available outside the Kirk, more near the hall.

6. Molteno Memorial Hall, Fortingall, PH15 2LL

An Arts and Crafts village hall built in memory of Mrs Elizabeth Molteno, daughter of Sir Donald Currie, the shipping magnate who commissioned James MacLaren, architect, to redevelop Fortingall in the late 1800s. On Doors Open Days, take in the impressive scissor-beamed roof, the Royal Versailles-type dance floor and an exhibition of Arts and Crafts architects’ work including James M MacLaren, his brother Thomas MacLaren, Flockhart, Washington Browne and more.

Saturday 15 Sept 10:30-17:00

Guided historical village walk available in the afternoon; phone 01887 830474 to book a place

Located 8 miles west of Aberfeldy. Parking available

7. Glenalmond College, Back Avenue, Glenalmond, PH1 3RY

Glenalmond College was founded in 1847 by William Ewart Gladstone. The original Gothic-style buildings, including the stunning Chapel, were designed by the noted ecclesiastical architect, John Henderson. Later buildings were designed by Perth architect, Andrew Granger Heiton, and Sir Basil Spence. Come and visit Glenalmond College to hear the stories behind these beautiful buildings.

Sunday 16th Sept 14:00-16:00

Guided tours at 14:00 and 15:00

8. Dun Aluinn House, Alma Avenue, Aberfeldy, PH15 2BX

Designed by Sydney Mitchell and Wilson and built in 1909, Dun Aluinn is a beautiful Queen Anne detailed villa set in picturesque surroundings on the edge of Aberfeldy. Serving as a hotel from the 1920s-1970s, it later became a boarding house for pupils attending Breadalbane Academy. Now freshly renovated, come and take a look at the many exquisite architectural features of this exclusive use venue (www.dunaluinn.com).

Saturday 15 Sept 13:00-17:00

Guided tours available throughout the day, booking essential via www.dod_dunaluinn.eventbrite.co.uk (15 spaces per tour)
9. Blair Hill, Upper Allan Street, Blairgowrie, PH10 6HJ

First opened in 1879, Hill Primary School has offered 130 years of educational service to the children of Blairgowrie before it closed in 2009. Now the Category B listed, gothic-detailed former school will once again open its doors, this time as accommodation. Join Corryard Developments Ltd as they open their freshly completed show apartments and offer tours of the old Victorian school house. A great opportunity for a trip down memory lane or to marvel at old and new architectural design at work as new life is breathed into an old building.

**Sunday 16 Sept 11:00-16:00**

Guided tours available throughout the day, booking essential via www.dod_blair.eventbrite.co.uk (30 spaces per tour)

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11. Quarto Press, Beech Hill House, Beech Hill Road, Coupar Angus, PH13 9AZ

Converted 19th Century cottage and wagon-shed next to the 18th Century house containing a working traditional letterpress facility that uses hand-set metal and wood type in the way that printing was done from the 1450s to 1900 (and to some extent later). Also contains a collection of small presses and specialist items used by printers.

**Saturday 15 & Sunday 16 Sept 10:00-17:00**

Demonstrations of typesetting, typecasting and printing. Opportunities for visitors including children to print a personalised keepsake

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12. Collace Church, Kinrossie PH2 6HU

Built in 1813 on the site of a church consecrated in 1242, the building was extensively upgraded 100 years ago when in 1919 the stained glass window was installed. The cemetery contains a conserved Morthouse, a Mausoleum with Romanesque arch, 17th & 18th Century headstones and a Pictish discoid stone.

**Saturday 15 Sept 13:00-16:00**

Audio-visual display & guided tours of the graveyard throughout the day

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13. Inchtue Parish Church, Moncur Rd, Inchtue, PH14 9RW

Inchtue is a Grade 2 listed building which has recently been restored externally and refurbished internally to provide an accessible, modern facility which retains its 19th century character. During the refurbishment, the burial vault belonging to the Kinnaird family was discovered.

Saturday 15 Sept 10:00-12:00 & 13:30-16:00 and Sunday 16 Sept 13:30-16:00
Guided tours throughout the day

14. Cairn o’ Mohr Winery and Ciderhouse, East Inchmichael Farm, Errol, Perthshire, PH2 7SP

Cairn o’ Mohr winery started producing Berry wines made from locally cultivated and foraged fruits, leaves and flowers 30 years ago in the farm house kitchen. The winery is built on an old Pictish settlement and we utilise many of the old farm buildings from 140 years ago along with our very own eclectic ranch style shop, cafe, decking and play area.

Sunday 16 Sept 12:00-16:00 (last tour 15:30)
Guided tours; tastings in winery shop; audio visual presentation

15. HMP Castle Huntly, Longforgan, DD2 5HL

HMP Castle Huntly is a 600-year old castle that was once the seat of the Bowes-Lyons. The earliest part is a mid-15th century L-plan tower house built on a steep rocky outcrop above the Carse of Gowrie. Castle Huntly sits within a designed landscape of terraced gardens, avenues and statues, with an ice house and doocot. It was purchased after WWII by the Scottish Prison Service and has been used as a custodial facility ever since.

Saturday 15 & Sunday 16 Sept
Guided tours at 10:00, 12:00 and 14:00, booking essential via www.dod_castlehuntly.eventbrite.co.uk (30 spaces per tour)

16. Invergowrie Parish Church, 4 Errol Road, Invergowrie, DD2 5AD

This Church of Scotland building is of early Gothic style with a square tower and an open timber roof which dates from 1909. The architect was John Robertson. A stained glass Chancel window by Shona McInnes of Halifax was installed in 2009. Invergowrie Parish Church has a War Memorial Garden within its grounds.

Saturday 15 Sept 10:00-16:00 and Sunday 16 Sept at 11:00 (for Service) until 16:00
Peeling of Bells 10:00 on Saturday in conjunction with All Soul’s Episcopal Church; casual tours; children’s activities.

17. All Souls Episcopal Church, 59 Main Street, Invergowrie, DD2 5BA

Red Sandstone Scottish Episcopal Church designed by Hippolyte Blanc 1890 and built 1890-96 with 42.5m high spire. Features of note include: beautiful Italian marble reredos and crucifix; altar from Rossie Priory Chapel; sculptured Stations of the Cross; and embroidered wall-hanging to celebrate the centenary of Consecration in 1996.

Saturday 15 Sept 10:00-16:00 and Sunday 16 Sept 10:30 (for Sung Eucharist) until 16:00
Peeling of Bells 10.00 on Saturday in conjunction with Invergowrie Parish Church; guided tours; recorded music & chants; children’s activities.
18. The Grounds of Old St. Michael’s Church, Church Street, Crieff, PH7 3AE

Old St Michael’s Church (B listed) was built from 1786 on the site of the first recorded ‘Parish Church of Crefe’ (1196). The churchyard contains memorial stones to Crieff families and the ruins of the first Parish School (1593). Come along to enjoy a suite of entertainments including: music from the Blackford Fiddle & Crieff Ukelele groups; historical interpretation; and brass rubbing.

Saturday 22 Sept 12:30-16:30

19. The Library of Innerpeffrey & Chapel, Innerpeffrey, near Crieff, PH7 3RF

Explore Scotland’s first free public lending library (1680) originally housed in the chapel and now in the beautiful purpose-built Georgian building next to the River Earn and Innerpeffray Chapel. Explore the grounds with an all-age discovery quiz, join the Keeper of Books & team for a tour or learn to write Harry Potter-style with a quill pen making workshop.

Saturday 22 Sept 10:00-17:00

and Sunday 23 Sept 14:00-17:00

Library tours hourly at 15mins past the hour

Quill Pen workshops Saturday at 11:30 & 15:30 (suitable for 8yrs+ to adult; cost £5; incl. own pen to take home)

20. Tibbermore Church, Tibbermore, PH1 1QJ

Best known to worldwide audiences as Cranesmuir Church, scene of the infamous Witch Trial in the Outlander TV drama series, Tibbermore is an atmospheric church with medieval origins set in a fascinating walled graveyard. To mark the centenary of the end of the First World War, come and explore the church’s WWI connections and learn about the lives of those on the Home Front and in the trenches.

Sunday 23 Sept 11:00-16:00

All-age storytelling and display.

Limited parking on the roadside

21. Abernethy Round Tower, School Wynd, Abernethy, PH2 9JJ

Abernethy Round Tower is a spectacular monastic monument dating from around 1100AD and is one of only two circular freestanding towers of its type in Scotland. Join Historic Environment Scotland archaeologist Adrian Cox for a tour of discovery or pick-up the key from the Museum of Abernethy and explore the tower yourself.

Saturday 22 and Sunday 23 Sept 14:00-17:00

Tower tours Saturday 11:00 & 14:00. Booking essential via adrian.cox@hes.scot (15 spaces per tour). Activities for children at the Museum
22. Strathallan School, Forgandenny, PH2 9EG

Strathallan School sits in 153 acres of what was formerly the Ruthven family estate. At its heart is Freeland House, built in 1825 and designed by leading architect William Burn. Today the school combines its historical heart with a superb range of new facilities. Come and learn about the history of the School. Take a peek inside Freeland House and see the Saloon and Fiction Library.

Saturday 22 Sept 09:30-17:00
Open Morning for Senior School entry candidates (ages 13-18) & their families 09:30-13:00
Campus Tours (lasting 1 hr) for general 14:30 & 15:45
Booking essential: Open Morning via admissions@strathallan.co.uk; Campus Tours via www.dod-strathallan.eventbrite.co.uk
(flat shoes advisable as campus is large)

23. Aberdalgie Incised Slab and Parish Church, Aberdalgie, PH2 0QD

Discover the nationally important 14th century Tournai stone of Sir William Oliphant within the equally historical 18th century parish church, a site where Christian worship has taken place for almost 1000 years. Join church elders as they explain the remarkable story of Sir William and his connections to the Declaration of Arbroath and the Scottish Wars of Independence. Bring a torch and see bones in the vault, take in beautiful stained glass windows and admire the restored sandstone pillars of Lorimer’s belfry.

Sunday 23 Sept 14:00-16:00

24. Forteviot Pictish Stones & St Andrew’s Church, Forteviot, PH2 9BT

Only open by arrangement, Doors Open Days offers a great opportunity to see inside the incredibly historic Church at Forteviot. From 6th century AD Christian burials, to links with Kenneth Macalpin, plus post-reformation patronage from St Andrews University, Forteviot is steeped in history. Admire archaeological artefacts of major significance such as the Forteviot bell and the beautifully exhibited Pictish carved stones before stepping across the road to take in the new Pictish carved stone of Forteviot.

Sunday 23 Sept 11:00-16:00

25. Cultybraggan Camp, Comrie, PH6 2AB

Cultybraggan Camp is a hidden historical gem and the only preserved Prisoner of War camp in Scotland with over 80 original Nissen huts surviving. At its height, the camp was home to 4000 German PoWs before becoming an MOD training camp from 1948-2004. In 2007, it was acquired by the local community and is now managed by the Comrie Development Trust. Gain free access to buildings not normally open to the public including the Jailblock where the Cultybraggan Cartoon Collection is displayed and Hut 41 which has been recreated as WWII prisoners’ accommodation based on historic photographs.

Saturday 22 and Sunday 23 Sept 11:00-16:00
Guided tours available (last tour 15:00)

26. Tullibole Castle, Crook of Devon, Kinross, KY13 9JJ

Built in 1608, Tullibole castle is a classic example of the Scottish tower house. The castle remains unspoilt and contains many interesting features which will be revealed during guided interior tours. As well as seeing around the castle, visitors can enjoy the castle garden and woods taking in the ancient graveyard, 18th century doocot and Weird Witches Maze.

Saturday 22 and Sunday 23 Sept 11:00-16:00
Treasure Hunt and guided tours throughout each day
Located on the B9097 one mile east of Crook of Devon
27. Behind the Scenes at AK Bell Library and Perth Council Archive, 2-8 York Place, Perth PH2 8EP

The Flagship library for Perth & Kinross, the AK Bell Library opened in 1994 but parts of the building are much older. Join staff for Behind the Scenes and Treasures tours offering the opportunity to visit some areas not normally open to the public and see some of the special collections not kept on the open shelves, including a rare glimpse in the Council Archive.

Saturday 29 Sept
Guided tours only at 10:00 & 11:30, booking essential via www.EventBrite.co.uk

28. Buchan House, 18/20 York Place, Perth, PH2 8EH

C-listed double villa dating from the mid-19th century. No. 20 was the former manse of the Knox Free Church and was the birthplace in 1875 of John Buchan, 1st Baron Tweedsmuir, prolific novelist, politician, army officer and diplomat. A plaque commemorates Buchan’s service as Governor General of Canada. During 2014-15 Perth City Heritage Fund part-funded substantial repairs. The building is currently used by Mindspace.

Saturday 16 Sept 10:00-14:00
Staff-led tours throughout the day

29. Bowerswell House, Bowerswell Road, Perth, PH2 7DN

Mid-19th century Italinate villa and home of Effie Gray, whose marriage to Ruskin and friendship with the Pre-Raphaelite artists was much talked about at the time. The house was purchased in 1946 and converted into a retirement home as a WWII memorial for Perth.

Saturday 29 Sept 13:00-16:00
Floral displays
Limited parking available

30. Fair Maid’s House, 15–19 North Port, Perth, PH1 5LU

Home to the visitor centre of the Royal Scottish Geographical Society, the Fair Maid’s House is the oldest secular building in Perth. Especially for Year of Young People, join RSGS for geographical quizzes in the stylish explorers’ library and find out about how 18th and 19th Century schoolchildren saw their world.

Saturday 29 Sept 11:00-16:30

The Explorer’s Room in the Fair Maid’s House
31. Friarton Recycling Centre (Waste Education Boardwalk), Friarton Depot & Earnside Energy (Organics Recycler, Binn Farm)

Perth and Kinross Council along with Earnside Energy (at Binn Farm) invite residents on a tour of the Waste Education Boardwalk located at Friarton Recycling Centre, followed by a minibus tour of the Friarton Depot sheds and Earnside Energy’s composting facilities at Binn Farm in Glenfarg. Visitors will have the opportunity to view behind the scenes of local recycling operations, find out what happens to their waste and see first-hand how material from brown bins is composted.

**Saturday 29 Sept 09:30-12:30**

Minibus will collect visitors on Shore Road by South Inch Carpark from 09:20, departing 09:30. Booking essential via www.dod_friarton.eventbrite.co.uk (15 spaces). Sturdy footwear to be worn.

Visitors must not park at Friarton Recycling Centre or Friarton Depot.

32. St John’s Episcopal Church, Princes Street, Perth, PH2 8LJ

St John’s was completed in 1851 and over two phases between 2011 and 2014 was sensitively reordered internally. This work included paving the Sanctuary with slabs of stone from the Holy Land, all part of creating a light and welcoming building appropriate for worship in the 21st century. Enjoy a cup of tea or coffee before joining a tour of Greyfriars Burial Ground.

**Saturday 29 Sept 11:00-15:00**

Leaflets and photographs on historical aspects of the church available

33. Greyfriars Burial Ground, Off Canal Street, Perth, PH2 7HT

Greyfriars became the burgh’s burial ground in 1580 because St John’s kirkyard was full. It had previously been the site of the Franciscan Friary, founded 1496 and dissolved in 1559. There is a fine group of 18th century stones with traditional winged souls, hourglasses and skulls and crossbones. Join archaeologist David Bowler for a tour and try to understand how the stones and their symbols show changing tastes and hopes as well as recording life and death.

**Saturday 29 Sept**

Guided tours at 12:00 & 14:00 starting from St John’s Episcopal Church, Princes Street

34. Old Originals: Guided Walking Tour of Perth’s Built Heritage, 78 George Street, Perth, PH1 5LB

Perth is blessed with a wonderful Georgian heritage. Join local historian Dr Norman Watson on a 90-minute walk around the city’s Georgian highlights, focusing on buildings from around two centuries ago which continue to fulfil their original purpose.

**Saturday 29 Sept 15:00**

Tour departs & terminates outside Perth Museum & Art Gallery. Suitable for all ages & abilities. Booking essential via www.dod_Perth.eventbrite.co.uk (30 spaces on tour)
35. Perth College UHI, Crieff Road, Perth, PH1 2NX

Perth College UHI’s Campus has seen many changes since opening in 1971, most recently with the construction of the Academy of Sport and Wellbeing. Come and explore the vibrant campus and find out about the wide range of courses that attract a diverse student population to this key partner in the University of the Highlands and Islands.

Saturday 29 Sept 10:00-16:00
Guided campus tours; taster events for children, young people and adults
Full details of programme available at www.perth.uhi.ac.uk

36. Perth Congregational Church, Kinnoull Street, Perth, PH1 5EN

Perth Congregational Church traces its roots back to 1794 – with the current Scots Gothic sandstone church opened in 1899. It was designed by Steele and Balfour, a Glasgow-based architectural practice. Features include: Original decorative timber pulpit, organ case and pews.

Saturday 29 Sept 11:00-15:00
Historical exhibition; children’s quiz

37. Perth Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court, Tay Street, Perth, PH2 8NL

The Sheriff Court was built in 1819 to a neo-Greek design by Sir Robert Smirke, the architect who later designed the British Museum. It was erected on the site of the 16th century Gowrie House and was the first building on the new Victorian riverside route that was to become Tay Street. The impressive portico with its huge ten-bay Doric colonnade was originally intended for a country mansion in Fife.

Saturday 29 Sept 10:00-16:00
Guided tours (1 hr approx.) - including the cells! Every 20mins (last tour 15:00)

38. Perth Transport Futures Project, Site Office: A9/A85 Crieff Road, Perth, PH1 3JJ

Perth’s transport infrastructure is significantly expanding with the construction of a £35m major new road to the North West of Perth. Not normally accessible to the public, come along for a tour of the construction site including illustrated presentation and STEM activities for children.

Saturday 29 Sept 08:30-16:00
Guided tours every half hour (20 spaces per tour), booking essential via www.dod_PTFP.eventbrite.co.uk

39. Royal Perth Golfing Society & County and City Club, 1 Atholl Cres, Perth PH1 5NG

The Perth Golfing Society was formed in 1824 and granted royal patronage by King William IV in 1833 - the first golfing society in the world to receive this honour. In 1878, the Club name was changed to The Royal Perth Golfing Society & County and City Club and in 1896 it moved to the current premises. Much of the Club’s history is represented by the golfing artefacts and memorabilia on display.

Saturday 29 Sept 11:00-16:00
Guided tours on the hour (last tour 15:00) (10 spaces per tour)
40. VisionPK, Perth & Kinross Sensory Centre, 14 New Row, Perth, PH1 5QA

Based in a former church dating back to 1849, VisionPK provides specialist support for blind and partially sighted, deaf and hard of hearing people of all ages in Perth & Kinross. Following its role as a place of worship, the building has been the Perth Forces Canteen and the Red Cross Centre before being converted for its current use in 2002/3. Come visit VisionPK on Doors Open Day and find out about the charity’s vital work.

Saturday 29 Sept
Guided tours only at 09:45 & 11:15, Booking essential (8 spaces per tour), contact VisionPK (01738) 626969

41. Tearfund@50 and Perth Baptist Church, 14 Almond View, Perth PH1 1QQ

Celebrate the worldwide work of Tearfund as their 50th anniversary exhibition comes to Perth, hosted in the modern and adaptable Perth Baptist Church. A place of worship and reflection as well as active community space, the church is particularly noteworthy for its contemporary three-part stained glass window. Designed and constructed by Mark Angus, it is likely the most modern stained glass church window in Perth.

Saturday 29th September 10:00-15:00
Tearfund 50th Anniversary Exhibition on display

42. Balhousie Castle and the Black Watch Museum, Hay Street, Perth, PH1 5HR

Balhousie Castle dates to the 12th century and is home to the Black Watch Museum, a 5 star visitor attraction sharing the story of Scotland’s oldest Highland Regiment. There is also the highly acclaimed Castle Gift Shop and café. Enjoy free admission to the museum over Doors Open Days weekend with family friendly trails and workshops also on offer.

Saturday 29 and Sunday 30 Sept 09:30-16:30
(last entry 15:45)
Children’s gallery trial 10:00-16:00; Family drop-in Soldier Collage workshop 11:00-15:00
Behind-the-scenes & artefact handling tours at 10:30, 12:30 & 14:30 (£2 per person)
The Black Watch Story tour at 11:00 & 14:00 (£5 per person). Book tours via 01738 638152

43. Perth & Kinross Council buildings at 2 & 3-5 High Street, Perth, PH1 5PH

Work began on 2 High Street as the Head Office of the General Accident Fire and Life Association Corporation Ltd in 1899 and was officially opened in 1901. Following refurbishment, the now headquarters of Perth & Kinross Council reopened here in early 2017. Its also home to the council chambers. Join staff for a tour of the new building as well as the Old Council Chambers at 3-5 High Street, opposite, which is currently used as a wedding venue.

Saturday 29 10:00-17:00
and Sunday 30 Sept 10:00-16:00
History & heritage guided tours depart from 2 High St; Special exhibition in the Civic Hall
44. St John the Baptist Roman Catholic Church, 18 Melville Street, Perth, PH1 5PY

The church was built in 1832 with the presbytery added in 1834. The population grew enormously through the 1840s and the church was enlarged and remodelled under the direction of Perth architect Andrew Heiton Jr. Enjoy a tour and take in the fine architectural features. Meet young parishioners as part of the Year of Young People 2018 and hear about how they got involved with church life at St John’s.

Saturday 29 and Sunday 30 Sept 12:00-17:00
Guided tours; oral history & printed history hand out

45. St. John’s Kirk, 31 St. John’s Street, Perth, PH1 5SH

The first written reference to a church on this site was in 1126 and construction of the present building started in the 1440s with the tower completed by 1511. Renovations in the 1920s restored the building to its medieval plan, gave us the beautiful oak ceilings and carvings, and provided an amazing collection of brightly coloured windows. Views of the city and its surrounding hills can be seen from the top of the tower.

Saturday 29 Sept 10:00-14:00 and Sunday 30 11:00-16:00 (service at 09:30)
Guided tower tours on Sunday 14:00-15:45 (no disabled access)

46. St Leonards in the Fields Church of Scotland, Marshall Place, PH2 8AG

This impressive Scots Gothic church and hall (1885), by John James Stevenson, dominates views of Perth from the South Inch. The distinctive Crown Tower is probably the first such tower in post-Reformation Scotland. Exhibitions include building plans, pulpit falls, historic photographs, and Shawl Ministry display.

Saturday 29 10:00-16:30 and Sunday 30 Sept 11:00-16:00
Guided introductions; refreshments; quiz sheet

47. St Matthew’s Church of Scotland, Tay Street, Perth, PH1 5LQ

Recently refurbished, with its iconic 212ft steeple, St Matthew’s stands on the bank of the River Tay. Built in 1871 St Matthew’s retains the architecture, pipe organ and stained glass of its time as well as unique WW1 Black Watch colours.

Saturday 29 10:00-16:00 and Sunday 30 12:30-16:00
Guided/self-guided tours; cafe with home baking; organ music; exhibition of members’ artwork; floral display
48. Studios and Residence, 5 Melville Street, Perth, PH15PY

The Studios and Residence at 5 Melville Street combine studios for an artist and an architect workshops and living space. The building presents a tall minimalist facade to the street with a single ‘civic window’ or ‘cabinet’ housing invited art works and installations. Renovated back land workshops create an inviting communal courtyard at the rear. Come and take in a community of purpose between artist, architect and neighbours.

Saturday 29 and Sunday 30 10:00-16:00

49. The Guildry Incorporation of Perth, 42 George Street, Perth, PH1 5JL

The ‘Guildry’, as it is familiarly known, is of great antiquity directly descending from the Merchant Guild which received its royal recognition in the famous charter granted to the City of Perth by King William the Lion in 1210. Housed within a late 18th century Georgian tenement of fine architectural features, the Guildry offices are a wealth of Perth City historical treasures. Examine the remarkable Lockit Book, begun in 1452, giving insights into city life right back to Medieval times. Meet Merchant Burgesses, peruse explore displays and find more about the work of the Guildry past and present.

Saturday 29 and Sunday 30 Sept 12:00-14:00

Access via 20 steps up a spiral stair tower

50. Behind the Scenes at Perth Museum and Art Gallery, 78 George Street, Perth, PH1 5LB

With more than half a million local, national and international objects, Perth Museum and Art Gallery has a ‘Recognised Collection of National Significance to Scotland’. The building dates back to 1784 as the ‘Antiquarian Society of Perth’ and in 1932 became the museum and art gallery we know today. Come along on Doors Open Days to discover what really goes on behind the scenes at Perth Museum and Art Gallery!

Sunday 30 Sept

Guided tours only at 12:00 & 14:00 (45 minutes long), booking essential via www.EventBrite.co.uk
51. Bertha Park High School, Ruthvenfield Road, Perth PH1 3EQ

With Perth’s population continuing to grow, a new secondary school has been under development through funding from the Scottish Government. Bertha Park High School will bring a new catchment area, new facilities, and new learning opportunities to future generations of Perth children. Join staff from Robertson Tayside for a tour of the school construction site and get a preview inside the school ahead of it opening for lessons in August 2019.

**Sunday 30 Sept 10:00-15:00**

Guided tours only from 10:00 on the hour (last tour 14:00) (15 spaces per tour). Booking essential via www.dod_bertha.eventbrite.co.uk Robertson Cube activity also available.

52. Soutar House, 27 Wilson Street, Perth, PH2 0EX

This was the home of Perth poet, William Soutar. The house retains much of the period, with oak panelled rooms, stained glass windows, ceramic fire surrounds and beautiful bookcases full of Soutar’s own books. Enjoy a visit with guides from the ‘Friends of William Soutar’ on hand to show you around.

**Sunday 30 Sept 10:00-16:00**

Guided tours; Poetry recitals at 12:00

Wheelchair access limited, contact events@culturepk.org.uk for more info
53. St Mary’s Monastery, Hatton Road, Kinnoull, Perth PH2 7BP

Built between 1868 and 1870 by Andrew Heiton, St Mary’s is Gothic in style and consists of four-story buildings arranged in a U-plan. It was the first Catholic monastery to be built in Scotland since the Reformation and commissioned for the Redemptorist Order, founded in Naples in 1696. The interior of the monastery has recently been refurbished and welcomes many groups for meetings, conferences, workshops and retreats. Come along and enjoy the relaxing Monastic atmosphere complemented by performances by the Scottish Plainsong Choir.

Sunday 30 Sept 14:00-17:00
Park on Hatton Rd

54. The Library Room, Perth Museum and Art Gallery, 78 George Street, Perth, PH7 3NF

A special opportunity to visit the historic 1930s Library Room of the Perthshire Society of Natural Science, and to view some seldom-seen exhibits from the Library and Museum stores. The library contains many scarce early volumes. The Society’s original Victorian museum formed the basis of Perth Museum’s natural history collections. Join Society members to find out about the 151-year old local society and its activities in the fields of archaeology & history, botany, ornithology and photography.

Sunday 30 Sept 11:00-16:00

55. The Old Academy Building, 7 Rose Terrace, Perth, PH1 5HA

The Old Academy was built between 1803 and 1807 as the Public Seminaries to house Perth Grammar and Perth Academy together in a suitable new building. It was designed by Robert Reid, the principal Government architect in Scotland in the first half of the 19th century. Today the old school is divided into commercial units and learning continues. Join staff from Perth Yoga Studio for a look around their premises including the amazing domed octagonal classroom! Enjoy wonderful views across the North Inch with juice and healthy snacks provided.

Sunday 30 Sept 13:00-16:00

Staff-led tours throughout the day
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1. King’s Seat Hillfort Community Archaeological Excavation, by Dunkeld, PH8 0HX

Visit Perth and Kinross Heritage Trust and the Dunkeld and Birnam Historical Society at their exciting community dig on King’s Seat by Dunkeld. Enjoy spectacular views, watch as amazing discoveries are unearthed and learn more about Dunkeld’s early hilltop residents.

**Tuesday 4 – Saturday 15 Sept (closed 9 – 10 Sept)**

- Guided site tours available 10:00-15:00
- Access: pedestrian access from Dunkeld via the riverside footpath & through the grounds of Dunkeld House Hotel

2. Picts in the Park: Living History Fair, Stanley Park, Dunkeld, PH8 0AN

Join Perth and Kinross Heritage Trust and the Dunkeld and Birnam Historical Society in celebrating King’s Seat hillfort by Dunkeld. Step back into the 1st Century AD as the Picts of Regia Anglorum take up residence with demonstrations inspired by the archaeological discoveries from King’s Seat. Pictish combat & sling-shot demonstrations • metal, stone & wood working • place name inspired storytelling • archaeology & placename talks by experts • displays & activities for all ages • hillfort dig tours… and lots more.

**Sunday 9 Sept 11:00-15:00**

- Hillfort tours at 10:00, 14:00 booking essential via www.kings-seat-tours.eventbrite.co.uk

3. Archaeological Guided Walk: King’s Seat Hillfort, North Car Park, Dunkeld, PH8 0AR

Join Perth and Kinross Heritage Trust for a guided walk to King’s Seat hillfort. Explore this fascinating site at the mid-way point in this year’s excavations. See what the archaeologists have been finding and hear the latest theories on what was happening here in the past.

**Monday 10 Sept 10:30**

- Grade of Walk: 2 (moderate)
- Booking essential via www.kings-seat.eventbrite.co.uk
- Additional Information: walk lasts 2hrs approx.; bring snack rations & drinking water

4. The Castle, House and Chapel of Gleneagles, Gleneagles, PH3 1PJ

Home to the Haldane family for centuries, the house and grounds of Gleneagles are steeped in history. Test your archaeological skills by exploring the ruins of the 15th Century castle, admire the early 16th century chapel and hear the fascinating family history with a guided tour of the laird’s house by Martin Haldane.

**Saturday 15 Sept**

- Guided tours only at 11:00 & 14:30, booking essential via www.dod_gleneagles.eventbrite.co.uk (10 places per tour)

5. Perth Traditional Building Skills Roadshow, King Edward Street, Perth, PH1 5UT

Come and see traditional stone carving, slating, joinery, and painting & decorating demonstrations. Members of the Fife and Tayside Traditional Buildings Forum, apprentices, lecturers and building professionals will be on hand to answer questions and demonstrate the skills used to maintain historic buildings in Scotland.

**Monday 24 and Tuesday 25 Sept 10:00-16:00**
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