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Flowers and Fairs Coffee Morning
DORNOCH SOCIAL CLUB
Saturday 3rd May - 10:30 am to 12 noon
Plants & Garden Items - Baking - Home produce - Books
Bric a brac - Raffle
Proceeds from this coffee morning will buy plants for the annual display in Dornoch and Camore

Dornoch Community Market
DORNOCH CATHEDRAL GREEN
Wednesday 7th May - 9:30 am to 1 pm
Fresh produce from local growers.
Art, crafts and design items from local artisans.
In conjunction with the Dornoch Farmers' Market.
See www.dadca.org.uk or Facebook

THANK YOU

Sadie Sutherland Brora

wishes to thank all who helped at the time of her accident, especially the young couple who stopped and informed the emergency services. Thanks also to the medical centre staff for their care.
Bless you all.

THANK YOU

George and Ros Fleming and Max, the dog, of Tomich, Lairg.

would like to extend the most sincere thanks to the fire fighters of Lairg, Bonar Bridge and Golspie, to their neighbours, the wider community of Lairg and to Lairg Christian Fellowship for the help, support and kindness provided to them following their devastating house fire.
Thank you all so very much. It is so much appreciated.

THANK YOU

Barbara Sutherland (Netta) Lairg

would like to thank her colleagues and library members for their loyalty, gifts, cards and flowers and a special Thank You to Barbara Macrae for her loyalty and support over the years.

highways byways missions
Special Christian Meetings
at **Brora Fishermans Hall**
Subject
The Lord's return and the End of the Age. at 8pm
Friday 2nd May
Saturday 3rd May
Sunday 4th May
All welcome.



JOHN THURSO MP

Will hold the following clinic:-
SATURDAY 10th MAY
11.30am - 12.15pm
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Maps and photographs are provided – or bring your own to show us.

Tea, coffee and biscuits provided. Everyone is welcome – even if you only want to come and find out more.

Tuesdays, 29th April, 6th May, 13th May
2-4pm at Dornoch Social Club
7-9pm at Bonar Bridge Community Hall

Come along to whichever venue suits you, and don't worry if you can't get to all the sessions!
All sessions are free, and will be run by Susan Kruse of ARCH. Contact Susan if you need transport to either venue – email info@archhighland.org.uk or phone **01349 868230** (leave message if no reply).

The Woodland Trust is a charity registered in Scotland (SC038885)



STEAM AT DUNROBIN!
DUNROBIN STATION OPEN DAY
MONDAY 12TH MAY 1130-1630

Watch the arrival of Steam Dreams special from London King's Cross due 1330. Dep. 1500

JULIAN HOLLAND
will sign his latest book Railway Day Trips, selling for £10 instead of £15

LOTH STATION ANTIQUES
will have railway memorabilia and enamel signs for sale.

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Travel by Scotrail.

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VOLUNTEER OPEN DAY
7th May 2014, 11 am till 4pm
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Activities Include: Beach clean; Path repairs; Clearing woodland regeneration from the dunes.

ALL WELCOME
Children/young adults must be accompanied by a parent or guardian
Please bring a packed lunch, drink and suitable outdoor footwear/clothing as weather can be changeable.
Note, the nearest public toilets are in Golspie, 3.5 miles to the north.
Contact for further details
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For more information call Bill 01862 821288 (Pictures)

KILBRAUR WIND FARM COMMUNITY BENEFIT TRUST
(Scottish charity number SC040268)

Are you a community led organisation in Rogart, Golspie or Brora? Are you looking for funding towards a new project or activity? If the answer to these is yes then why not find out more about the

Kilbraur Wind Farm Community Benefit Trust.
For more information or criteria and an application form go to www.kilbraurwindfarmcbt.co.uk or pick up an application pack from Libraries and Service points in Golspie and Brora, Rogart PO and Pittentrail Garage, VG-ES.
Closing date for next round of applications is Friday, 30 May, 2014.

SPIRIT OF SPEYSIDE WHISKY FESTIVAL
1 - 5 MAY 2014

1st May
Old Blind Dogs 19:30
Whisky River Boat Band 19:30
Tom Marlon 19:30
Rm Hubbert 20:00
Siobhan Wilson 20:30
Drouthy Cabbler, Elgin 22:00

2nd May
Laying Down Tracks – Falk On The Rails 14:00
Robin Laing 18:00
Dallahan & Whisky Awards Judging 19:00
The Shee 19:30
Alan Anderson (Whisky Comedian) 20:00
Copper Dogs 20:30
Withered Hand 21:00
Folk At The Arms 21:00
Trail West Ceilidh 21:00
Rm Hubbert 22:00

3rd May
Music At The Farmer's Market & Fun Day 10:30-17:00
Laying Down Tracks – Falk On The Rails 14:00
Charlie McKerron And Friends 19:30
Lewis Barlow 20:00
Alan Anderson (Whisky Comedian) 20:00
Scott Matthews 21:00
Folk At The Arms 21:00
Dallahan 21:00
Withered Hand 22:00

4th May
Moray Jazz Quartet 10:30-17:00
Laying Down Tracks – Falk On The Rails 14:00
Alan Anderson (Whisky Comedian) 16:00
Rm MacMillan 19:00
Whisky Awards Allstar Ceilidh Band And Special Guests Barley, Stills, Mash & Tun. Includes Supper
Jo Caulfield 19:30
Bears Den 19:30
Scott Matthews 20:30
Mark Nelson (Comedian) 20:00

5th May
Drouthy Cabbler, Elgin 20:00

Fleming Hall, Aberlour 19:30
British Legion, Granttown-on-Spey 19:30
Drouthy Cabbler, Elgin 20:00
Old Bridge Inn, Aviemore 20:30
Drouthy Cabbler, Elgin 22:00

Keith & Dufftown Heritage Railway 14:00
Drouthy Cabbler, Elgin 18:00
Aviemore Highland Resort 19:00
Fleming Hall, Aberlour 19:30
Grant Arms, Granttown 20:00
Balvenie Castle, Dufftown 20:30
Old Bridge Inn, Aviemore 21:00
Stuart Arms, Dufftown 21:00
Richmond Memorial Hall, Taininoul 21:00
Drouthy Cabbler, Elgin 22:00

Plainstones, High Street 10:30-17:00
Keith & Dufftown Heritage Railway 14:00
Fleming Hall, Aberlour 19:30
Drouthy Cabbler, Elgin 20:00
Social Club, Raithes 20:00
Old Bridge Inn, Aviemore 21:00
Stuart Arms, Dufftown 21:00
Mall Barn, Glenfiddich, Dufftown 21:00
Drouthy Cabbler, Elgin 22:00

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Local Heritage Open Meeting
Thursday, 8th May, 7-9pm
Kincardine Old Church, Ardgay

Come share local knowledge about heritage in the area, and help shape the new Telford in the Kyle of Sutherland Project.

ALL WELCOME.
Transport available from Bonar Bridge & Ardgay. Contact 01349 868230; info@archhighland.org.uk; www.archhighland.org.uk

Funded by E.ON Rosehall Community Fund supported by Foundation Scotland and the Robertson Trust.

Sutherland County Show

Dornoch Links
Saturday 19th July, 2014

Schedules available at www.sutherlandshow.com and
Horses: 01408 621701
Livestock: 07734 467214
Handicrafts: 01408 633176
Flowers: 01349 882443
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MASONIC

LODGE LOCH SHIN No 1352
Special Meeting
Saturday, 3rd May at 4.30pm in
Masonic Hall, Lairg.
Master Mason Degree to be worked by Lodge Scotia, Glasgow. Meal and Harmony to follow.

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Glorious fun with Ralph Fiennes playing a savvy concierge. Tilda Swinton, Jude Law and Bill Murray also star. *"Full of rapier-sharp wit."* The Guardian 05/05 at 8.30pm, 07/05 at 8.30pm

Cuban Fury (15) 98 mins
Britcom with Nick Frost unleashing his inner salsa demon to impress his new boss. Olivia Colman and Ian McShane also star. *"Heartfelt blast of fun"* Empire 06/05 at 8.30pm, 08/05 at 8.30pm, 10/05 at 8.30pm, 14/05 at 8.30pm

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WEST CHURCH HALL, DORNOCH

Please Support:
DORNOCH HERITAGE SOCIETY
COFFEE MORNING, PLANTS & SALES
Saturday 10th May, at 10.30 a.m.
DORNOCH SOCIAL CLUB, DORNOCH
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exists to encourage support for the voluntary sector in North and West Sutherland.
www.cvsnorth.co.uk

Starting on Wednesday 7th May
ELPHIN WEDNESDAY MARKET
ELPHIN COMMUNITY HALL
Wednesday 10am to 4pm
Make it a great day out and visit local places of interest including Knockan Crag.

Strathnaver Hall fund raising
POST-LAMBING CEILIDH
Saturday 24th May at 7.30pm
With Broch Inspectors Malcolm Jones (guitar & box), Hugh Marwick (whistles). And local guest artistes.
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DATES TO REMEMBER

May	June
May 3 Yes Sutherland presents "Cafe Indy" Bonar Bridge Community Hall 7pm-8.30pm. A monthly event to discuss the Independence referendum over coffee and cake. This month's topic - Pensions and Healthcare.	June 7 Brora Community Fete, 12 Noon, Sutherland Schools Pipe Band, Entertainment, Food & Stalls.
May 10 Dornoch Cinema: "Philomena" (12A) with Judi Dench & Steve Coogan.	June 13-14-15 Rogart Gala Weekend. More details later.
May 18 The Carnegie Hall, Clashmore proudly presents "Whiskey Galore" a fantastic stage production by Mull Theatre at 7.30pm. Tickets: £10 & £5 (under 16's) from Dornoch Post Office 01862 810226 & 01862 810307 Licensed . Raffle.	June 21 Lairg Music Festival in Lairg Community Centre.
May 31 Rogart Parish Church Annual Gift Day. Pittentrail Hall 10am - 1.30pm. Admission by donation. Teas, Sales Table, Plants etc. Soup and Sandwiches from 11am. All welcome.	July 5 Loth & Helmsdale Flower Show Society: Rose Show & Pet Show, Helmsdale.
May 31 - June 14 Dornoch Gallery Summer Exhibition. 10 - 4 daily, Struie Room, art by local artists.	July 12 - 19 Lairg Gala Week.
	July 19 Lairg Gala Week dance to Rhythm n Reel in Marquee.
	August 8 & 9 Loth & Helmsdale Flower Show Society: 2 day Flower Show, Community Centre, Helmsdale.

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