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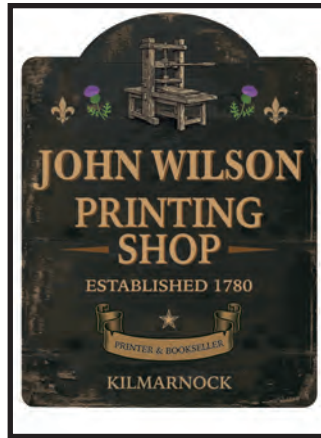
EXHIBITION - ROBERT MACBRYDE AND ROBERT COLQUHOUN: ARTISTS, LOVERS, OUTSIDERS

25 Sep - 10 Jan 2027 • Dick Institute, Main Gallery • Free

The Dick Institute is proud to host an exclusive new exhibition, on tour from Charleston, Lewes, exploring the lives and work of the "Two Roberts" - Robert MacBryde and Robert Colquhoun, two Ayrshire artists who first met at Glasgow School of Art in 1933. This infamous duo, both lovers and creative partners, played a vital role in mid-20th century British art influencing contemporaries including Bacon, Freud & Minton.

Damian Barr, curator and author of 'The Two Roberts' novel says: "Robert and Bobby were, briefly, two of the most famous artists in the world: photographed in Vogue, filmed by Ken Russell and collected by the Tate, among others. Now they are almost forgotten and more remembered for their tragically short lives, if at all. It has been a joy and a responsibility reappraising the work of this pioneering couple, once nicknamed 'MacBraque and McPicasso'. We have over 100 works in the show from delicate sketches to monumental oils and dancing ballet figures. Each and every one screams of their talent and urges to look at these two men again, at the trail they blazed and the price they paid for it... I am thrilled that the Two Roberts' work will return to the Dick Institute in Kilmarnock, a proper homecoming for two lost sons of Ayrshire."

Image credit: The Two Roberts, Photographer Felix Man, Getty Images.



EXHIBITION - PRINTING – A TYPE OF ENLIGHTENMENT

Ongoing • Dick Institute • Free

To mark the 240th anniversary of The First Edition and John Wilson's printing shop in Kilmarnock, this exhibition explores the fascinating history of print within East Ayrshire's museum collections.

Beginning with the most famous work to come out of Wilson's press, Poems, Chiefly in the Scottish Dialect by Robert Burns, the exhibition highlights how print has been used to share ideas, stories and culture, both through text and imagery.

Visit 'The Killie Print Shop' our special engagement area for families to explore and discover the world of print!



EXHIBITION - HOT OFF THE PRESS!!!

10 Oct - 16 Feb 2027 • Dick Institute, Young People's Gallery • Free

Showcasing a summer of print at the Dick Institute, this exhibition of print is made by children visiting our featured exhibitions which celebrate the 240th anniversary of The First Edition by Robert Burns. From block printing to relief rubbings, stamps and prints made using the replica of the John Wilson press located in our museum, upon which Burns' famous first ever edition of poetry was printed... you'll see a whole range of fun, free and lively printmaking techniques on display!



EXHIBITION - EÒGHANN MACCOLLA, SOFT POWER CUMHACHD BHOG

30 Jan - 9 May 2027 • Baird Institute, Barony Gallery • Free

Soft Power is a collection of visual and aural observations and meanderings, physical and actual, mapping time, place, the seasons and all that lives in our world. A celebration of our time, of everything, in spite of everything. Soft Power is a call to action, an awakening, a re-alignment. It is acknowledgement of where we are. We can look back to help us look forward. We do not need band-width to make change. We have that within ourselves.

'S e tional chruthachail a th' ann. Feumaidh sinne chuir smaoin agus urram air àite agus an àrainneachd againn. 'S e rudeigin cudromach a th' ann, gu-àraidh na h-àiteachan far a bheil sinne a fuireach. 'S urrainn dhuinn iomlaid a dhèanamh. 'S e riadh aig Eòghann a th' ann. An urrainn dhuinn cleachadh na seach-shaoghail, a chuir cumhachdail anns an àm ri teachd?

Image credit: Eòghann MacColla, An prìomh-phuingean combaist, Carraig Alasdair.



EXHIBITION - SCOTT COUBRA, DEUS AT THE DEAN

14 Nov - 6 Mar 2027 • Dean Castle • Free

This exhibition by Scott Coubrough brings together works inspired by the rich history and atmosphere of Dean Castle. Alongside the central Castle pieces, the display explores stories drawn from mythological, folklore and religious themes. Highlights include works inspired by Dylan Son of the Wave and depictions of Saint Andrew and Saint Michael, reflecting the castle's religious heritage. Through painting and visual storytelling, the exhibition weaves together history, myth and symbolism into a compelling contemporary response to the site.



EXHIBITION - NORMAN SUTTON-HIBBERT, DOLLS TALK

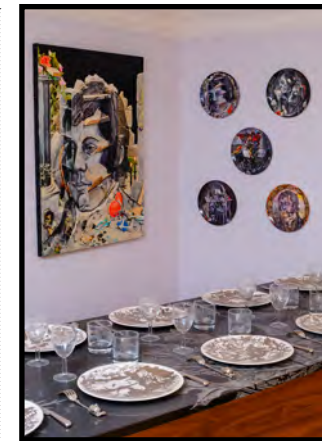
30 Jan - 16 May 2027 • Baird Institute, Barony Gallery • Free

Don't think, from the title of this exhibition, that it is just an exhibition of dolls - it's not! The exhibition by the multi-disciplinary artist Norman Sutton-Hibbert, brings together new and existing works, which explore subjects common to all - and to both children and adults. The sculptures, art installations and photographs tackle a wide range of subjects, such as the outcome of war, dementia and the worldwide roles of dolls in the lives of people of all ages. The majority of these works are made from recycled personal and household fabrics, which further lend themselves to the storytelling of all the works in the exhibition.



MUSEUM COLLECTIONS DEAN CASTLE

Built in 1350 and still standing strong, Dean Castle is packed with historic treasures from Viking swords to Jacobean armour and our famous war horse, Sir Goliath.



BURNS HOUSE MUSEUM

Situated in Mauchline and in 1788 was the home of Jean Armour and Robert Burns. The Burns House Museum and Nanse Tinnocks was at the centre of village life during Burns' most creative period of writing. It is now home to many of the poet's original manuscripts as well as world famous Mauchline exports like curling stones and Mauchlineware.

DICK INSTITUTE

Home to our natural sciences collections and social history collections, the Dick Institute museums tell the story of Ayrshire's industrial past and more...



BAIRD INSTITUTE

The Doon Valley has played background to religious and political history stretching back to the time of the Covenanters in the 1600s and into more present times with its mining industry and related strong socialist heritage. The founder of the Labour Party, James Keir Hardie, lived in Cumnock for a large part of his life and it is at the Baird Institute in Cumnock that we tell these stories in our collection displays.

7 You can now visit our museums and galleries 7 days a week!

Keep an eye on our website and social media platforms for info on holiday activities

Performing Arts



READY STEADY 60S SHOW

The Best of the Mod 60s and the British Beat Boom Step back in time with this high-energy four-piece band celebrating the iconic sounds of the 1960s. With stunning vocals and authentic performances, they bring classics from The Beatles, The Rolling Stones, The Kinks, The Who, Small Faces, The Hollies and more to life in a fantastic two-hour show.

Widely regarded as one of the UK's most authentic 60s tribute acts, their infectious energy and timeless hits will have audiences singing, dancing and reliving the magic of a golden era of music.

Stewarton Area Centre •
10 October • 7.30pm • £22



THE BORLAND CEILIDH BAND

The Borland Ceilidh Band is an energetic Ayrshire trio from Kilmarnock and Irvine, featuring John C Grant (fiddle), Ewin Murray (guitar/vocals) and Kevin Longmuir (accordion/vocals). Since forming in 2011, they have entertained audiences across Scotland, appearing at major events including TRNSMT and on television programmes such as Loose Women and This Morning. With expert dance instruction and lively traditional music, they deliver an authentic, inclusive Scottish ceilidh experience that's fun for all ages and abilities.

Stewarton Area Centre •
3 October • 5.30pm-10pm • £15



OASIS VS THE STONE ROSES

Experience a Britpop and Madchester double bill featuring two of the UK's leading tribute acts. Definitely Mightbe, the world's longest-established Oasis tribute band, faithfully recreates the sound and swagger of Oasis with classics spanning all seven studio albums. Adored captures the iconic sound and spirit of The Stone Roses, delivering the timeless anthems that defined a generation. Opening the evening, Mod Collective presents a handpicked selection of classic Mod, indie and British music favourites.

Cumnock Town Hall •
13 November •
7.30pm • £15



Libraries

Auchinleck Library

BOOKBUG SESSION

Join us for lively songs, rhymes, and storytelling - designed to delight babies, toddlers, and their parents or carers • Tuesdays • 10am-10.30am • Free

CHIT CHAT

Step in, switch off, and share a cuppa - your local space to meet, chat and feel part of the community • Tuesdays • 11am-Noon • Free

BOOK GROUP

Discover great reads and even better conversation - join our friendly book group • Thursdays • 7pm • Free

Newmilns Library

CHIT CHAT

Step in, switch off, and share a cuppa - your local space to meet, chat and feel part of the community • Mondays • 1pm-3pm • Free

BOOKBUG SESSION

Join us for lively songs, rhymes, and storytelling - designed to delight babies, toddlers, and their parents or carers • Thursdays • 1pm-1.30pm • Free

ART GROUP

From sketching to stitching, bring your project and enjoy a welcoming space to create, share and socialise • Thursdays • 1.30pm-3.30pm • Free

Burns House Museum & Library

BOOKBUG SESSION

• Fridays/Saturdays • 10am-10.30am • Free

BOOK GROUP

• Saturdays • Second Saturday of month • 10.30am • Free

Cumnock Library

BOOKBUG SESSION

• Thursdays • 10.15am-10.45am • Free

*For more information on Chit Chat and book groups please contact your local library if not listed

Dick Institute

SENSORY STORYTELLING

Bring stories to life through sensory play - gentle, engaging sessions tailored for children with additional support needs. • Mondays/Thursdays • Fortnightly • By appointment only • Free

BOOKBUG SESSION

Join us for lively songs, rhymes, and storytelling - designed to delight babies, toddlers, and their parents or carers • Wednesdays/Saturdays • 10.30am-11am • 2pm-2.30pm • Free

BOOK GROUP

Discover great reads and even better conversation - join our friendly book group • Tuesdays/Thursdays • Monthly • Free

YARN-A-GO-GO

Create, share and stitch together friendships at our welcoming knitting and crochet group. • Thursdays/Fridays • 6.30pm-7pm • 10.30am-12.30pm • Free

GERMAN CONVERSATION GROUP

Social language group • Fridays • Fortnightly • 11am-Noon • Free

STORYTELLING

Big stories, little listeners - bring the family along for magical storytelling adventures. • Sundays • 11am • Free

4-4-2 READING CHALLENGE

Read four library books and score a FREE football match ticket to watch your local team in action • Ongoing • Free

Crosshouse Library

BOOKBUG SESSION

• Thursdays • 2.30pm-3pm • Free

Libraries

Stewarton Library

CHIT CHAT

Step in, switch off, and share a cuppa - your local space to meet, chat and feel part of the community • Tuesdays • 2pm-3pm • Free

BOOK GROUP

Discover great reads and even better conversation - join our friendly book group • Thursdays • Monthly • Free

BOOKBUG SESSION

• Fridays • 10.30am-11am • Free





Galston Library

Located within Galston Town Hall, Galston Library is open 7 days a week and offers books for all ages, free digital support, Bookbug sessions and friendly Chit Chat gatherings. A welcoming community space where you can read, learn and connect.

More than books... it's your community space.

BOOKBUG SESSION

• Thursdays • 1pm-1.30pm • Free

CHIT CHAT

• Wednesdays • 11am-Noon • Free



MEMBERSHIPS

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Sport & Young People

FRIDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL

Are you aged 11-18? Get your friends together and head down for an afternoon or night of football.

Enjoy free access to our astro pitches, meet new people, stay active, and take part in a safe, welcoming environment with staff supporting every session.

Loudoun Leisure Centre
• Fridays • 10+ • 5.30pm-7pm

Rose Reilly Sports Centre •
Fridays • 8-18yrs •
3.30pm-5.30pm

Doon Valley Leisure Centre •
Fridays • 10-18yrs •
7pm-9pm

St Josephs Leisure Centre
• Fridays • 10+ •
7.30pm-9.30pm

Grange Leisure Centre •
Fridays • 10+ •
7.30pm-9.30pm

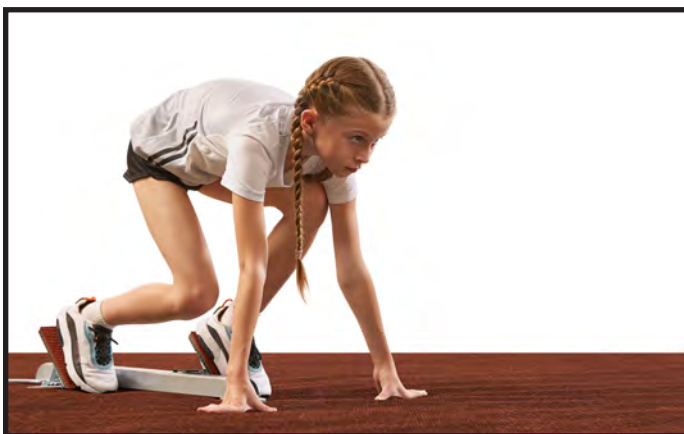
Townhead Football Park, Cumnock
• 10-18yrs • 1.30pm-4pm •



SPORTS COACHING PROGRAMME

Looking for a fun way to stay active, develop new skills and meet new people? Our Sports Coaching Programme offers a range of community-based coaching sessions for children and young people of all ages and abilities. Whether you're trying a sport for the first time or looking to improve your skills, there are opportunities to get involved, build confidence and enjoy being active in a welcoming environment.

To find a programme that's right for you, visit our website to explore the full range of activities, venues and booking information.



Active Schools Get Involved!

The Active Schools programme offers a range of fun, inclusive activities before school, at lunchtime and after school, helping children and young people stay active, make friends and try something new. Parents and carers should check school emails, apps, websites and blogs for the latest information on clubs, activities and events throughout the year.



Active Schools Leadership Make a Difference!



For young people in S4-S6, the Active Schools Leadership Programme is a great opportunity to build confidence, gain leadership experience and support sport and physical activity in your school and community.

Interested in becoming a Young Leader? Speak to your Active Schools Coordinator or email

active.schools@ayrshire360.com to find out more.





LGBT+ YOUTH CAFÉ

Are you, or do you know someone who is Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual or Transgender or even questioning? Our confidential LGBT Café provides a space to explore who you are in a safe, friendly environment. No judgements, no barriers- just a space to be yourself. Clubs or individual support is available to all young people.

11-25yrs • FREE • For more information about where and when the Café runs contact: CommunityPathways@Ayrshire360.com

YOUTH DROP INS

Looking for somewhere to hang out with your mates, try out something new or learn a new skill? Our Youth Drop in provide a safe confidential space for teens in your local area.

Kilmaurs Community Centre • Tuesdays • P7+ • 6.30pm-8.30pm

Fulton Hall, Fenwick • Thursdays • P7+ • 6.30pm-8.30pm

Stewarton's Annick Centre • Mondays • P7+ • 6.30pm-8.30pm

Morton Hall, Newmilns • Wednesdays • P7+ • 6.30pm-8.30pm

FUNKY FRIDAY

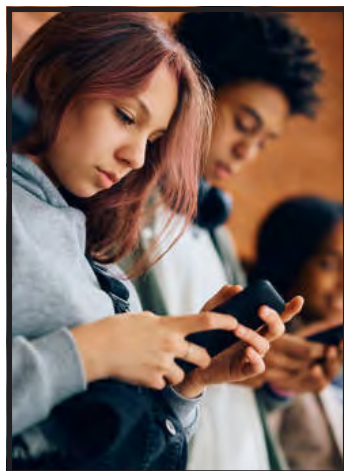
Friday Fun activity session with arts & crafts, fun games, inflatables.

Grange Leisure Centre • Fridays • 5-12yrs • 6pm-8pm • £4

KIDS CLUB

Fun 90 minute session with inflatables, fun games and taster sports

Barony Sports Village • Fridays • 5-12yrs • 6pm-7.30pm • £3.70 • Book Online



October Holiday Programme

The October Holiday Programme is packed with exciting opportunities for children and young people to get active, try something new, and have fun during the school break. A wide range of sport, physical activity and youth work sessions will be available across East Ayrshire, providing inclusive and engaging experiences for all ages and abilities. Keep an eye on Ayrshire 360 and Active Schools social media channels and websites for full programme details, booking information, and updates coming soon. Don't miss out - spaces for some activities may be limited.

SCOTTISH YOUTH PARLIAMENT ELECTIONS

This year we have our Scottish Youth Parliament Elections. If you are aged 14-24 and want to become an MSYP contact our Youth Work Team by September 2026 to be signed up.

All young people in East Ayrshire can vote during SYP vote week. Keep your eyes out for how to vote and ensure your voices are heard.

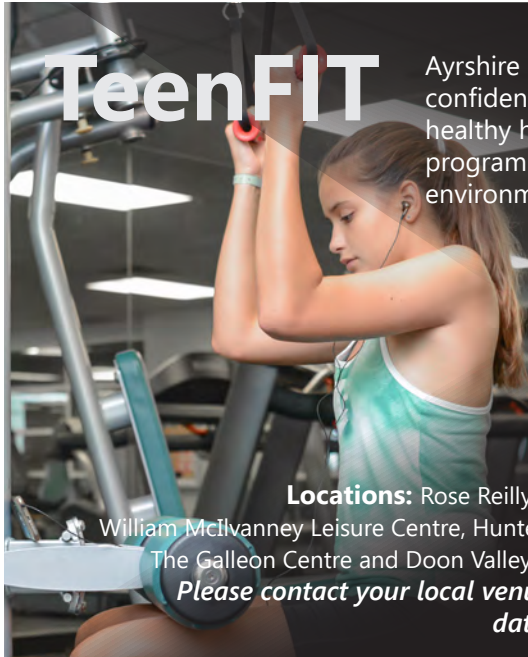
Contact the youth team at: CommunityPathways@ayrshire360.com

EAST AYRSHIRE CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S CABINET

Are you interested in making a difference? Do you want to stand up for your peers and help make changes for children and young people living in East Ayrshire? Join the EA Youth Cabinet and shape the future for EA.

Youth Cabinet members need to be aged 11-24 and live in East Ayrshire. Contact the Youth Work Team at: communitypathways@ayrshire360.com





TeenFIT

Ayrshire 360's youth gym course designed to build confidence, teach safe technique, and promote healthy habits. Learn the basics of training, fitness programming and nutrition in a supportive environment.

The Galleon Centre
4-6 Week Programme £45
Community Venues
3 Week Programme £15

Locations: Rose Reilly Sports Centre, William McIlvanney Leisure Centre, Hunter Fitness Suite, The Galleon Centre and Doon Valley Leisure Centre
Please contact your local venue for specific dates and times.

Gym-Based Small Group Training Sessions

Small group functional training sessions are coming to The Galleon this autumn, designed to help you feel stronger, fitter and ready for the 2026 party season.

With expert guidance and a motivating group atmosphere, it's the perfect way to stay on track and see real results. Spaces will be limited - secure your spot and start your transformation.

Details will be available online and in the venue soon 18 Yrs +
Included in your Active 360 Membership

FREE SWIMMING DURING SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

FOR UNDER 18S ONLY, AVAILABLE AT Doon Valley Leisure Centre, Galleon Leisure Centre and Loudoun Leisure Centre.

Friday 18th - Monday 21st Sep
Monday 12th Oct - Monday 19th Oct
Monday 21st Dec - Monday 4th Jan
Friday 12th - Tuesday 16th Feb

Download our APP or go to Ayrshire360.com for times.

Book through our app 7 days in advance of the session.



Get out & Explore

ULTRA MARATHON AND RELAY

Celebrate 20 incredible years of one of Scotland's most iconic endurance events! The River Ayr Way Challenge returns this September - a spectacular 40-mile ultra marathon that takes runners on an unforgettable journey through the heart of Ayrshire.

River Ayr Way • 12 Sep • 16+ • £75 and £45 • 9am-9pm

TRACKS AND TRAILS

Explore the woodland looking for signs of minibeasts and the mammals that feed on them.

Woodroad Park, Cumnock
• 14 Oct • £4 • 11am-Noon
• 2.00pm-3.00pm • 1hr

Loch Doon • 15 Oct • £4
• 11am-Noon/ 2.00pm-3.00pm • 1hr

SELF LED TRAIL FOR FAMILIES

The magic of pantoland has escaped into the park, can you find it? Explore our Beauty and the Beastie trail. Follow the clues, meet familiar characters, and enjoy a fun-filled adventure for all ages.

Dean Castle Country Park • December • Park Hours

Countryside & Outdoors



HAUNTED HIDEOUTS

Build an eerie shelter in the woods ready for Halloween.

Loch Doon • 16 Oct • 16+ • £4 • 11am-Noon / 2.00pm-3.00pm • 1hr

Dean Castle Country Park • 14 Oct • £4 • 2.00pm-3.00pm • 1hr

HEDHEHOGZZZ

Construct a natural hibernation home & make a spiky hedgehog craft to take home

Dean Castle Country Park • 16 Oct • £4 • 11am-noon • 2.00pm-3.00pm • 1hr



URBAN FARM

Get up close to the Urban Farm animals.

Dean Castle Country Park • 14 Nov • £4 • 10-11am • 6 Dec • 10am-11am • 8 Dec • 11am-Noon & 2pm-3pm

FRIGHTENING FEEDERS

Design and create a spooky apple bird feeder

Dean Castle Country Park • 15th Oct • 11am-Noon • 2.00pm-3.00pm

Countryside & Outdoors



FUNKY FUNGI

Put the fun into fungi and go on a fungal foray through the country park

Dean Castle Country Park • 17 Oct • £4 • 11am-Noon • 1hr

SENSE-SATIONAL SEASONS

Notice the changing of the seasons using all of our senses and enjoy a sweet treat

Dean Castle Country Park • 7 Nov • £4 • 11am-Noon • 1hr

WINTER WEAVING

Create your own wintery willow craft or simple wreath

Dean Castle Country Park • 17 Dec • £4 • 11am-Noon • 2pm-3pm • 1hr

BUSHCRAFT BAKERY

Bake your own bushcraft bread twists & other goodies over a campfire

Dean Castle Country Park • 16 Jan • £4 • 11am-Noon • 2pm-3pm • 1hr

TREE-MENDOUS TALES

Learn to ID the key species in the park & hear some fascinating folklore

Loch Doon • 18 Oct • £4 • 11am-Noon • 2pm-3pm • 1hr

Dean Castle Country Park • 13 Feb • £4 • 11am-Noon • 2pm-3pm • 1hr

CASTLE CRITTERS

Explore around the castle looking for signs of minibeasts and the mammals that feed on them

Dean Castle Country Park • 15 Feb • £4 • 11am-Noon • 1hr

NOCTURNAL NATURE

Join the rangers for a dusk dander to detect bats & other nocturnal creatures. Meet at Ranoldcupp Road car park.

Darvel • 25 Sep • £5 • 6.30pm-8pm • 1hr 30min

Loch Doon • 9 Oct • £5 • 6.30pm-8pm • 1hr 30min

WINTER WANDERERS

Twety trails and birdy bingo in Kay Park. Meet at the pond car park.

Kay Park • 10 Jan • £4 • 11am-Noon • 2pm-3pm • 1hr

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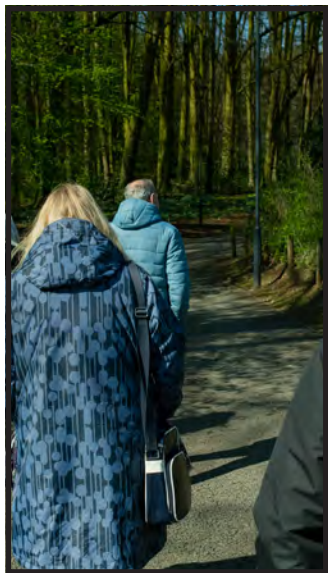
Twety trails and birdy bingo in Kay Park. Meet at the pond car park.

Kay Park • 10 Jan • £4 • 11am-Noon • 2pm-3pm • 1hr

LICHENS & LORE

Explore the life & stories of Loch Doon Castle. Meet at the Castle car park.

Loch Doon • 24 Oct • £4 • 11am-Noon • 2pm-3pm • 1hr



COMMUNITY HEALTH WALKS

Walking is one of the easiest ways to boost your health and wellbeing. It can help reduce the risk of heart disease, diabetes and some cancers, while improving mood, sleep and cognitive function. Every step counts - even 4,000 steps a day can make a real difference.

Dean Castle Country Park
• Meeting point at the hut in the main car park • Mondays • 12.30am

Dumfries House • Meeting point at the visitor centre • Tuesdays • 10am

Newmilns • Meeting point Browns Road Car Park • Wednesdays • 10am

FAMILY HEALTH WALKS

Family Health Walks are a great way to get active together and meet others. Led by trained Ayrshire360 Walk Leaders, these walks are suitable for all abilities and paces (including prams) and include fun, child-friendly activities along the way.

Dean Castle Country Park
• Every Wednesday from 21 Oct - 25 Nov 2026 • 10.30am-11.30am • Meet at the Visitor Centre

Newmilns, Brown Street Car Park • Every Thursday from 4-25th March 2027 • 10.30am-12.30pm

WEIGH TO GO

Family Health Walks are 12 week weight management programme. Contact us at Community.Wellbeing@Ayrshire360.com for further information on accessing these courses

Shortlees Community Centre • September • 6.45pm-8pm

Online Course • October • 10am-11am

Dalmellington Community Centre • January • Noon-1pm

Rose Reilly Sports Centre, Stewarton • February • 1pm-2pm

FAMILIES LEARNING TOGETHER PROGRAMME

A programme supporting parents and children to learn together through fun play, health and wellbeing activities. Includes guest sessions offering advice and support to encourage positive parenting and healthy habits from an early age.

Galston Community Centre • Every Friday 23 Oct 2026 - 18 Dec 2026 • 10.30am-11.30am

Cumnock Town Hall • Every Friday 22 Jan 2027 - 2 April 2027 • 10.00am-11.00am

FOREST THERAPY

Guided sensory walk which will aid mindfulness and positive mental health

Dean Castle Country Park • 28 Sept 26 • 4 weeks on Mondays • 10am-Noon

Dean Castle Country Park • 1 Mar 2027 • 4 weeks on Mondays • 10am-Noon

FAMILY WELLBEING EVENT

Family play, health and wellbeing activities will be on offer as part of a partnership approach

Cumnock Town Hall • 13 Oct • 10.30am-12.30pm

Darvel Town Hall • 15 Oct • 10.30am-12.30pm



COMMUNITY HEALTH CHECKS

A free comprehensive 20-minute health check including weight and body composition analysis, blood pressure monitoring and personalised health and wellbeing advice. **For 16yrs +**

GALSTON LIBRARY 10am-11am
7, 14 Oct, 4, 11, 18, 25 Nov, 2, 9, 16 Dec
13, 20, 27 Jan, 3, 10, 17, 24 Feb
3, 10, 17, 24, 31 Mar

ROSE REILLY Sports Centre 10.30am-11.30am
6, 20, 27 Oct, 3, 10, 17 Nov, 1, 8, 15 Dec
12, 19, 26 Jan

EACHa Recovery Hub Kilmarnock 10am-Noon
21 Oct, 16 Dec, 17 Feb

HUNTER FITNESS SUITE 10.30am-11.30am
7, 21 Oct, 25 Nov, 16 Dec, 13 Jan,
10 Feb, 10 Mar

DICK INSTITUTE, KILMARNOCK 10am-Noon

14, 28 Oct, 11 Nov, 2, 23 Dec, 20 Jan,
3, 17 Feb, 3 Mar

EAST AYRSHIRE COMMUNITY HOSPITAL CUMNOCK 10am-Noon
7 Oct, 4 Nov, 2 Dec, 6 Jan, 3 Feb, 3 Mar

OCHILTREE HUB 12.30pm-2pm
13 Oct, 10 Nov, 8 Dec, 12 Jan, 9 Feb,
9 Mar

ELLISLAND COURT 10am-11am
7 Oct, 4 Nov, 2 Dec
Noon-1pm
6 Jan, 3 Feb, 3 Mar

DALMELLINGTON COMMUNITY CENTRE - HEALTH HUB 10am-Noon
28 Oct, 11 Nov, 9 Dec

GARVEN COURT 10am-11am
4, 18 Nov, 9 Dec, 27 Jan, 24 Feb, 24 Mar

Wellbeing - Older People

DUMFRIES HOUSE TEA DANCE

Join us at Dumfries House for a free afternoon tea and entertainment. Held on a monthly basis these events are open to any East Ayrshire group or resident of retirement age and any adult with a disability. To register your interest in attending please contact us at Community.Wellbeing@Ayrshire360.com

Dumfries House Pavilion •
Monthly on a Wednesday
• 2pm



SOCIAL CLUBS

We support a number of social clubs across East Ayrshire which older adults can join from £5 per month. You can then enjoy a variety of activities from craft classes, knitting, gardening clubs, games and dominoes, carpet bowls, movie nights, outings, and social events. These are currently available in New Cumnock, Drongan, Mauchline and Galston. Nothing in your area - let us know and we'll help you to set something up.

Contact us at Community.Wellbeing@Ayrshire360.com

OLDER PEOPLE'S ROADSHOWS

Find out what's happening locally for older adults. Explore activities, health checks, information stalls and support services designed to help you stay active, healthy and connected. Share your views and help shape future services.

Locations:

- **New Cumnock** • 7 Oct • 2pm
- **Dunlop** • 15 Oct • 2pm
- **Drongan** • 21 Oct • 2pm
- **Kilmaurs** • 28 Oct • 2pm
- **Cumnock** • 4 Nov • 2pm
- **Stewarton** • 11 Nov • 2pm
- **Mauchline** • 19 Nov • 2pm
- **Kilmarnock** • 25 Nov • 2pm
- **Galston** • 6 Jan • 2pm
- **Muirkirk** • 20 Jan • 2pm
- **Darvel** • 27 Jan • 2pm



WELLBEING ACTIVITIES

These include lunch clubs, craft classes, Knitting groups, gardening clubs, games and dominoes, carpet bowls, movie nights, intergenerational events or just tea and chat.

Email:
Community.Wellbeing@Ayrshire360.com to find out more

Lunch clubs £3-£5

Locations:

Kilmarnock, Stewarton, Kilmaurs, Galston, Mauchline, Drongan, New Cumnock

STAYING ACTIVE IN LATER LIFE

Stay active and feel great with our chair-based exercise classes, now running across the following areas. Open to everyone in the community and completely free to join. Come along and give it a try!

CHAIR BASED EXERCISE

- **Galston Ross Court** • Every Monday excluding 28 Dec • 2pm
- **Stewarton Hamilton Gardens** • Every Tuesday excluding 22, 29 Dec • 1.45pm
- **Kilmarnock Garven Court** • Every Tuesday excluding 22, 29 Dec • 10.30am
- **Mauchline Ellisland Court** • Every Tuesday excluding 22, 29 Dec • 2pm
- **Drongan Rownatree Court** • Every Tuesday excluding 22, 29 Dec • 1pm

CHAIR BASED EXERCISE AND DANCERISE

New Cumnock Afton Court • Every Wednesday • Excluding 23,30 Dec • 1pm

TAKE A BOW

This class is aimed at people with memory problems and is run in collaboration with AILN.

If you would like further information or to arrange a taster Chair based exercise class in your nursing home, Club or Community please contact:

Email: Community.Wellbeing@Ayrshire360.com





ME2U EMPLOYABILITY PROGRAMME ME2U

is an 8-week programme delivered in partnership with DWP (Jobcentre Plus), Ayrshire College, East Ayrshire Council and Ayrshire360. Combining accredited learning with supported work placements, it helps participants build skills, gain confidence and take positive steps towards employment, volunteering or further learning.

Who should attend?

Adults looking to develop skills, gain work experience and improve their employment opportunities.

FAMILY LITERACIES LEARNING WORKSHOP

Fun family literacies learning workshops and games during school holidays for the full family to take part in. A great opportunity to have fun and learn together. All activities will be advertised on our social media channels.

Dick Institute- Event

Space • Families • 13 Oct • 10:30am-12:30pm

Cumnock Library •

Families • 14 Oct • 1.30pm-3.30pm

ADULT LITERACIES AND COMMUNITY BASED ADULT LEARNING

Support for reading, writing, number and digital lifeskills for adults 16+. Classes running weekly across East Ayrshire. To make an appointment contact: communitylearning@ayrshire360.com

Weekly from Sept 2026 to March 2027 • 16+yrs

Locations:

- Dick Institute
- Shortlees Learning Centre
- NWKLEUS -Onthank Community Centre
- Boswell Community Centre Auchinleck
- BTTC Dalmellington

COMMUNITY BASED ADULT LEARNING CLASSES

Community Based Adult Learning classes support adults with first steps back into education or employment. Contact the Community Learning Team to hear more about what supports we can offer. communitylearning@ayrshire360.com

MONEY MOT SCQF LEVEL 3, 4, 5 COURSES

Money MOT can support you to build your confidence with numeracy in everyday life focusing on: • Personal banking • Savings • Best value shopping • Borrowing • Paying bills • Budgeting. To book a place on a Money MOT course contact: communitylearning@ayrshire360.com

Range of venues across East Ayrshire

ENGLISH CLASSES FOR SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES

English classes for speakers of other languages. Classes available: Preparation for Literacies; Beginners Literacies 1, Beginners Literacies 2, SCQF National 2 class. Both face to face and online classes are available. To make an appointment contact: communitylearning@ayrshire360.com

Weekly from Sept 2026 to March 2027



COACHING CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Learn how to create safe, positive and enjoyable sporting experiences for children and young people. This course covers child development, communication, session planning, safeguarding and adapting coaching to meet the needs of different age groups, helping coaches build confidence, skills and lifelong participation in sport.

Who should attend?

Coaches • Leaders • Volunteers working with children and young people in sport.

Ayrshire Athletics Arena

14th December • 16+ • 6:30-9:30pm • £20 per person/ East Ayrshire Sports Council affiliated clubs members can attend for FREE.

Booking required, email EASC@Ayrshire360.com for more details

CHILD WELLBEING & PROTECTION IN SPORT (CWPS) - ADVANCED

Mandatory training for those leading safeguarding within sport. Build your knowledge and confidence in managing concerns, implementing safeguarding policies and creating safe, child-centred environments. Required for Club Safeguarding & Protection Officer roles.

Who should attend?

Adults • 16+ • Club Safeguarding & Protection Officers and those with a lead safeguarding role in sport.

CWPS completion required. Pre-booking essential.

Ayrshire Athletics Arena

21 Sep, 19 Oct, 9 Nov • 16+ • 6:30-9:30pm • £20 per person/ East Ayrshire Sports Council affiliated clubs members can attend for FREE.

Booking required, email: EASC@Ayrshire360.com for more details.

CHILD WELLBEING AND PROTECTION IN SPORT (CWPS) - OFFICER & LEADER TRAINING

This course is designed for those taking a lead role in safeguarding within sport. Build your knowledge and confidence in supporting child wellbeing, managing concerns and creating a safe, child-centred environment.

Mandatory for Club Safeguarding & Protection Officer roles.

CWPS completion required. Pre-booking essential.

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East Ayrshire Sports Council Club Affiliation

The East Ayrshire Sports Council was formed in 1996, and is funded by East Ayrshire Council

Who can affiliate?

Voluntary sports clubs and sports-related organisations. Eligible clubs can also access grant funding and discounted facility hire. Annual affiliation starts from £25.

Benefits Include:

- Grant funding opportunities
- Coach education and volunteer training
- Support with club policies and procedures
- Child wellbeing and protection guidance
- Updates, newsletters and networking opportunities
- Representation at national forums
- Promotion through the local sports directory and awards programme



LEARNING DISABILITY GROUPS

Drop in Hub • The Howard Centre Kilmarnock • Every Monday excluding 21 and 28 Dec • FREE • 10am

Ten Pin Bowling • The Garage Leisure Complex Kilmarnock • Every Monday excluding 21 and 28 Dec • £5 • Noon

Badminton and Soft Archery • The Howard Centre Kilmarnock • Every Tuesday excluding 22, 29 Dec • £2 • 11am

Karaoke • Bakers Night Club • Every Wednesday excluding 23, 30 Dec • £2 • Noon

Pool and Games • Shooters Pool and Sport Bar • Kilmarnock • Every Thursday excluding 17, 24, 31 Dec • £3 • Noon

Things tae dae Social Hub • Cumnock Juniors Social Club • Every Monday excluding 28 Dec • £10 month • 10am

Litter Picking • Cumnock Juniors Social Club • Every Monday excluding 28 Dec • FREE • 12.30pm

Badminton and Games • Catrine Games Hall • Every Thursday excluding 24, 31 Dec • £2 • 10am

Karaoke • Mauchline Social Club • Every Thursday excluding 24, 31 Dec • £4 • 1pm



CHAMPS CLUB

CHAMPS is a vibrant and inclusive community club for children and young people with disabilities or additional support needs. We offer a fun, welcoming environment where everyone can take part in a wide range of sports, games and sensory activities. The focus is on building confidence, developing new skills, and creating lasting friendships.

William McIlvanney Leisure Centre • 5-15yrs • 6pm-7.30pm

- 7, 14, 21, 28 Sep
- 5, 12, 19, 26 Oct
- 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Nov
- 7, 14 Dec
- 11, 18, 25 Jan
- 1, 8, 15, 22 Feb
- 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Mar



SOFA CLUB

SOFA Club is a vibrant, inclusive community club offering sporting opportunities for children and young people with disabilities or additional support needs.

We create a welcoming and supportive environment where everyone can take part, build confidence, and most importantly, have fun. Our aim is to inspire a lifelong enjoyment of sport by making activities accessible and enjoyable for all abilities.

Barony Sports Village • 5-15yrs • 6pm-7.30pm

- 8, 15, 22, 29 Sep
- 6, 13, 19, 27 Oct
- 3, 10, 17, 24 Nov
- 1, 8 Dec
- 12, 19, 26 Jan
- 2, 9, 16, 23 Feb
- 2, 9, 16, 23 Mar



ALL ABILITY BIKES

All Ability Cycles is an inclusive cycling club for young people and adults with disabilities or mobility challenges.

We provide a supportive environment where everyone can enjoy cycling, with a range of accessible bikes including wheelchair bikes, tandems and tricycles - helping make cycling open to all.

Ayrshire Athletics Arena • 12+yrs • 1pm-4pm • £2 for 30 min slot/ £3 for 1 hour per bike

- 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Sep
- 7, 14, 21, 28 Oct
- 4, 11, 18, 25 Nov
- 2 Dec
- 20, 27 Jan
- 3, 10, 17, 24 Feb
- 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 Mar

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