

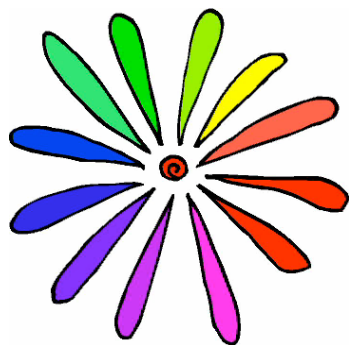
# BRAEMAR

*Royal Deeside, Aberdeenshire*

## GALA WEEK 2009

2-10<sup>th</sup> July

**Come and be part of the fun - events for all the family set amongst the beautiful scenery of Royal Deeside.**



***Everything from Murder Mystery to Bat hunting; Ceilidh Music to Cooking for Kids; Gardens to admire and Walks to enjoy... it's all happening in Braemar this July.***

***Co-ordinated by the Braemar News Group. Programme online at [www.braemarscotland.co.uk](http://www.braemarscotland.co.uk)***

### RUNNING ALL WEEK

#### **Walkers Passport (starts Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July)**

Pick up your FREE passport at Braemar Mountain Sports Shop. Seven spots of interest to visit within 5 miles of Braemar - viewpoints, historical sites - no strenuous hikes to mountain tops involved! but you will need an OS map. Passport gives grid reference and information on how to get there and what you will see. Punches at each location to stamp your passport and you can claim your certificate to show how many places you found!



#### **Village trail (starts Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> July)**

Follow the trail around the village centre and see if you can answer all the questions. Pick up quiz sheet at: newsagent/pharmacy or Strachans or Braemar garage. Cost 50p. Drop off your completed sheets at the Old Bakery by Saturday 11<sup>th</sup>. Prize (gift token) for first correct entry will be drawn on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> at the Junior Games Family Day (@ 3.00pm approx.)

#### **Window spotting! (starts Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> July)**

Some curious items have appeared in some of the Braemar shop windows. Look for the silly items displayed and make a list. Shops participating have a large 'question mark' sign prominently displayed. Your list of 'oddities' should be posted in the 'entry' box in the Pharmacy by Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> (marked with your name & address). Small prize for first correct entry drawn on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> at the Junior Games Family Day (@ 3.0 pm approx.)

### THURSDAY JULY 2<sup>nd</sup>

#### **Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre (Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup>)**

8.00 pm, Mar Lodge. Tickets £17.50 for dinner & three course meal. Suitable adults. Booking/more info ☎013397 41944 or at Braemar Heritage Centre, Braemar Mews.

*Solve the 'whodunnit' whilst dining in company. Murder and plot acted out by Braemar's dinner theatre group. (Second performance on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> in Braemar.)*

### FRIDAY JULY 3<sup>rd</sup>

#### **Rainbow Whist (Fri 3<sup>rd</sup>)**

7.30 pm, Village Hall, Mar Road. Suitable adults. Cost £2 (inc. refreshments).

*Come and enjoy a sociable evening of cards. All welcome.*

## SATURDAY JULY 4<sup>th</sup>

### Children's Film Show (Saturday 4<sup>th</sup>)

11.00am (doors open 10.30am) – 12.35am Braemar Village Hall. £6 adult £4 concession £3 child. In aid of the Braemar Village Hall Refurbishment Fund. Young children should be accompanied by an adult.

### Braemar Garden Festival (Saturday 4<sup>th</sup>)

10.30am – 3.30pm Pick up a free map, on which the gardens open for viewing are shown, at the Braemar TIC. Garden Festival Signs displayed on the front of each property. Open to all but children must be accompanied by an adult.

### Hash (Saturday 4<sup>th</sup>)

Register at 5.45 pm – begins at 6.00 pm. Meet Outside Castleton Hall, Glenshee Road. Cost: £3 adult £1 child - price includes drink at finish Suitable for all who are reasonably mobile! Booking/more information: ☎013397 41225 Why not make an evening of it and stay for Burgers and Bangers and learn a few hashing songs...

*The latest in adventure & fantasy films suitable for young and old.*

*Enjoy a leisurely stroll around Braemar and admire the creativeness of some of our more green-fingered residents!*

*Come and discover Hashing. Follow the markers but beware the false trails! The aim is for everyone to run or walk at their own pace and yet finish at about the same time! On, on!*

## SUNDAY JULY 5<sup>th</sup>

### SWRI Craft Show & Sale (Sunday 5<sup>th</sup>)

2.00 – 4.00pm, Village Hall, Mar Road. Collection at door. Suitable for all. Teas available.

**Pipe Band** (organised by Braemar Royal Highland Society). From 3.00pm, Braemar Village Centre. Suitable for all. FREE.

*Crafts produced by local artists - needlework, painting, photography and more...*

*Come and enjoy the sound of bagpipes and drums!*

## SUNDAY JULY 5<sup>th</sup> CONT.

### Treasure Hunt (Sunday 6<sup>th</sup>)

Meet at Mews (opposite Fife Arms Hotel) @ 5.00pm. Hunt finishes at 6.30pm. Small team entry fee payable on the day. Suitable for all, but children should be accompanied by an adult. Teams – minimum of 2, maximum of 4.

## MONDAY JULY 6<sup>th</sup>

### Cooking for Kids (Mon 6<sup>th</sup>)

10.30 am, Braemar Primary school. £3.50 per Person (for ingredients). Age 8 years and up. Booking essential. ☎ Fiona 013397 41411 Numbers limited – a second afternoon session will be run if demand necessitates.

### Street Party (Mon 6<sup>th</sup>)

2.00 – 4.00 pm, back of Mews (opp. Fife Arms Hotel). Begins with grand parade of vehicles . Open to all, especially the young at Heart!

### Dancersize (Mon 6<sup>th</sup>)

5.00 pm, Castleton Hall. £1. Open to all.

### Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre (Mon 6<sup>th</sup>)

8.00 pm, Old Bakery. Tickets £12.50 for theatre & three course meal. Booking essential ☎ 013397 41944 or Braemar Heritage Centre, Braemar Mews.

## TUESDAY JULY 7<sup>th</sup>

### Don't Get Lost! An Introduction to Map and Compass (NTS Scotland) (Tues 7<sup>th</sup>)

10.00am - 5.00pm; Mar Lodge . Small charge. Under 18's need to be accompanied by an adult. Booking essential ☎ 41669

*A team challenge – to solve as many clues as possible in the time available. Collect map and hear the briefing and hunt will begin 'on foot' (no bikes allowed!) Finish at the Hungry Highlander where sustenance can be purchased*

*Have great fun creating something delicious to take away and eat!*

*Decorate your bike/scooter /tricycle/push chair and bring it along to the mews for a fun packed afternoon. Live music, street entertainment, face painting, pavement chalk art, crafts and more...*

*Get fit with Pat Thomson.*

*Second performance of a great 'whodunnit' - acted out by Braemar's dinner theatre group.*

*Unravel the mystery of how to navigate! Bring Lunch. Loan of map and compass included, or bring own.*

## **TUESDAY JULY 7<sup>th</sup> CONT.**

**Skalder Ceilidh band in concert** (Tues 7<sup>th</sup>)  
8.00 pm, Village Hall, Mar Road. £5 adult, £3 child. Tickets at Braemar Pharmacy and at door. Suitable for all.

## **WEDNESDAY JULY 8<sup>th</sup>**

**Craig Leek & Glen Feardar Walk** (Wed 8<sup>th</sup>)  
10.00am – 4.00pm approx; meet Keiloch car park, Invercauld. Suitable for adults – 16 & 17 year old's welcome, but must be accompanied by an adult. Bring packed lunch, walking boots, waterproofs & warm clothing/sun protection. FREE. More information/booking (essential)  
☎ Braemar TIC 013398 85751

**Storytelling** (Wed 8<sup>th</sup>)  
Village Hall, Mar Road.  
Under 7s: 2.00 – 2.45pm (older siblings and parents most welcome);  
7-12s: 3.00 – 3.45pm (not suitable for younger siblings!) Donations towards overheads appreciated.

**Marie Curie Tea Party** (Wed 8<sup>th</sup>)  
2.30 – 4.00 pm, Kindrochit Court (sheltered housing at back of Mews). Cost £2.50 includes refreshments. In aid of Marie Curie cancer care.

**Dancersize** (Wed 8<sup>th</sup>)  
6.00 pm, Castleton Hall. £1. Open to all.

**Highland Dancing Display** (Wed 8<sup>th</sup>)  
presented by the Braemar Royal Highland Society; 8.30pm; Village Hall, Mar Road. Suitable for all.

*Great Scottish music to enjoy. Children should be accompanied by an adult. In aid of hall funds.*

*This 10.5 mile/17km circular walk passes Invercauld House & ascends gradually 700'/210m on a landrover track, once an old drove road to Tomintoul, on the west side of Craig Leek & Meall Gorm. The route then takes a path down Glen Feardar, passing the deserted settlements of Auchtavan & Ratlich & returning on landrover track via Felagie to Keiloch.*

*A team of guests will keep the children enthralled!*

*Enjoy tea and scones whilst listening to 'live' music entertainment. Open to all – senior citizens especially welcome.*

*Traditional Highland dancing performed by the children of the area who attend the Braemar Royal Highland Society's weekly dancing class.*

## **THURSDAY JULY 9<sup>th</sup>**

**Butterflies & Bumblebees at Morrone** (Thurs 9<sup>th</sup>)  
2.30 – 4.30 pm, meet at duck pond car park Chapel Brae. Suitable for all, under 16s should be accompanied by an adult. Free. More information /booking (recommended) ☎ Braemar Tourist Information Centre 013397 41600.  
Run by Aberdeenshire Ranger Service.

**Mountain Rescue Display** (Thurs 9<sup>th</sup>)  
11.00 am- 3.00 pm at Mountain Rescue Centre (behind Youth Hostel). Suitable for all. Free.

**Bingo Night** (Thurs 9<sup>th</sup>)  
6.00 – 8.00 pm, Castleton Hall, Glenshee Road. In aid of Braemar Scout Group. Refreshments Provided. Suitable for all, children should be accompanied by an adult.

**Moths & Bats at Braemar Castle** (Thurs 9<sup>th</sup>)  
9.00pm – late. Meet at Braemar Castle car park off A93. Suitable for all, under 16s must be accompanied by an adult. Bring stout footwear, warm clothing, midge repellent, and sun glasses or wide brimmed hat (to protect eyes from moth trap lights). Free. Booking recommended  
☎ Braemar Tourist Information Centre 013397 41600.

## **FRIDAY JULY 10<sup>th</sup>**

**Messy Play for the under 6s** (Fri 10<sup>th</sup>)  
10.00 – 12.00 am, Castleton Hall, Glenshee Road. Under 6s should be accompanied by an adult – older siblings also welcome. Free.

*Bring stout footwear and clothing appropriate for weather. Discover some of the smaller residents of Braemar & find out how to encourage these beautiful & useful insects in your own garden.*

*Find out what happens when the mountain rescue is called out, take a look at the rescue equipment and see how they train for emergencies.*

*Get up close and personal with moths and bats and dispel all your fears of these intriguing creatures.*

*Come and enjoy a messy selection of activities, everything from sand castles to water play, slime to paints!*

## **FRIDAY JULY 10<sup>th</sup> CONT.**

### **Lions Face, Cromlins & Creag Choinnich Walk**

10.00 am – 12.30 pm or 10.00 am – 2.30 pm for longer walk. Meet main car park Braemar village centre. Suitable for adults and accompanied 8-15s. Bring stout footwear, clothing appropriate for weather, packed lunch (for longer walk). Free. Booking recommended at Braemar TIC ☎013397 41600. Run by Aberdeenshire Ranger Service.

### **Come Bowling (Fri 10<sup>th</sup>)**

2.00 pm onwards, Braemar Bowling Club, Glenshee Road. Free (but donations welcome). Suitable for all but children should be accompanied by an adult.

## **SATURDAY JULY 11<sup>th</sup>**

### **Braemar Junior Highland Games**

For details visit [www.braemarjuniorgames.com](http://www.braemarjuniorgames.com)

### **Walkers Passport**

Last chance to visit all the spots as you need to return your passports to the Braemar Mountain Sports Shop *today* to obtain a certificate!

## **SUNDAY JULY 12<sup>th</sup>**

### **Family Dog Show (Sun 12<sup>th</sup>)**

3.30 pm, Braemar Games Park. £1 per entry, all proceeds to the SSPCA. If you don't own a dog, then come and watch!

*This is an undulating 4 mile/6,5 km circular walk with fine views. Plenty of wildlife such as red squirrels and wood ants. For the energetic there's an optional 1 mile steep ascent/descent of Creag Choinnich.*

*An opportunity to give bowling a try or to practice your skills! A short tournament will be run as part of a fun afternoon.*

*All day fun/activities in the Games Park, ceilidh in the evening.*



*Do you own the dog with the waggiest tail? or the best dressed? ! Lots of classes to compete in and lots of fun to be had.*

## **AT A GLANCE ...**

### **Running all week:**

Walkers passport  
Village Trail  
Window Spotting

### **Thursday July 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre

### **Friday July 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Rainbow Whist

### **Saturday July 4<sup>th</sup>**

Childrens' Film Show  
Braemar Garden Festival  
Hash

### **Sunday July 5<sup>th</sup>**

SWRI Craft show  
Pipe Band  
Treasure Hunt

### **Monday July 6<sup>th</sup>**

Cooking for kids  
Street Party  
Dancersize  
Murder Mystery Dinner theatre

**FOR LATE ADDITIONS/ALTERATIONS TO PROGRAMME** - visit Braemar website [www.braemarscotland.co.uk](http://www.braemarscotland.co.uk) or contact Braemar Tourist Information Centre ☎ 013397 41600. Boards outside the Mews will display each days activities.

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Leading onto...

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Junior Highland Games

### **Sunday July 12<sup>th</sup>**

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