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Full weekend of activities

Friday, Saturday and Sunday, including...

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Be Part of it - Be there!

Please note that this programme is published in advance and may be subject to change at short notice.
 The organisers cannot be held responsible for any alterations to the programme of events that are deemed necessary.

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WELCOME

Hard to believe but here we are gearing up for the 10th Hawick Reivers Festival.

Those of us involved from the beginning little expected that the festival would grow and mature in to one of the highlights of the Borders Calendar and become such a focus within the town for young and old alike.

This year's music line up is exceptional with Scocha leading the way as always on Friday evening and, building on the success of last year's Saturday concert, we welcome Session A9 – one of Scotland's Premier Trad Music bands.

All the popular events are there with the 16th Century Market, Torchlight Procession and Fireworks display and the Reivers Encampment on Sunday in Wilton Lodge Park. The schools will again compete for Andy Norman's beautiful trophy in the Medieval Games and there will even be an appearance by Hawick's own Olympic torch.

As always the committee is indebted to all local businesses and organisations who give their support both in time and sponsorship. The Festival could not happen without you.



We are however dependent on you the public supporting the weekend and turning out to all our ticketed and free events. This is the best way to secure the future of the Festival for many years to come.

Hope to see you there!

**Hawick Reivers
Festival Committee**



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A COOKING EXPERIENCE WITH CAROLYN OLIVER + GOOD MUSIC

Carolyn Oliver is well-known in and around the town for her excellent and easily understood cookery demonstrations and for her popular evening classes. Preparing meals that are tasty and interesting, she is highly entertaining but most importantly she inspires her audiences to go home and re-create the dishes for their own family and friends!



Carolyn writes, "I have always been extremely interested in cooking and if the truth be known I am as interested in eating it as well! I love to impart my knowledge and enthusiasm with friends, pupils and audiences to encourage them all to cook and to reintroduce the idea of the enjoyment of a family meal. My recipes are all tried and tested several times on my family and are sure to be popular with everyone."

The second part of the evening's entertainment will be provided by the young members of Teries in Tartan. Formed in 2010 to attend a folk dance festival in Germany, all members live in and around Hawick and are aged between 8 & 16. Their repertoire includes Highland & ceilidh dances and the Papa Stour sword dance. Members also sing and play musical instruments; including fiddle, flute, guitar, keyboard, pipes and drums. Together they play traditional music and Border songs. In August 2012 the group are heading off again this time to visit a group in Poznan, Poland





Making a welcome return to our festival "Session A9" are Adam Sutherland, Brian McAlpine, Charlie Mckerron, David "chimp" Robertson, Gordon Gunn, Kevin Henderson and Marc Clement. Over the years Session A9 have been described as a "Scottish super group" and "The best band to have come out of Scotland in 100 years" - great praise indeed for a band formed in 2001 through informal music sessions up and down the A9!

In the years since, the band has successfully toured Scotland and England playing many of the major music festivals. They have also performed in Spain, Denmark, Switzerland, Italy and the USA. They last visited Hawick Reivers Festival in 2004.

Their high-energy performance featuring fiddles, percussion, guitar and keyboard includes many home-grown tunes written by band members but also draws from Scotland's rich store of traditional music.

We are delighted that Scocha are yet again opening this year's festival particularly as they have such a busy year ahead. April sees them take part in the prestigious Tartan Day Parade in New York for the 4th time. This is followed later by trips to Canada, Denmark and Germany.



The Scocha sound is unique. A passionate blend of stirring new material and traditional classics, spiced with up-to-the-moment arrangements, a Scocha performance, is never scripted and always original! With a wide range of instruments in the repertoire including acoustic and electric guitars, bagpipes, whistles, drums, bass, keyboards, bodhrans, and more, Scocha are uniquely versatile. 2012 has seen the release of their 5th album "Scattyboo"



ALISTAIR MOFFAT

Alistair Moffat was born in Kelso in 1950. After school he entered St Andrew's university, playing First XV rugby, First XI cricket, basketball and athletics, somehow acquiring a degree in medieval history between matches and training sessions. He then completed further studies at Edinburgh and London universities. In 1976 he began a five-year period in charge of the Edinburgh Festival Fringe, before moving to Scottish Television, latterly as Director of Programmes and Chief Executive of Network Production. In 1999 he resigned these posts and settled in the Borders, where he is Director of the Lennoxlove and Borders Book Festivals. Recent books include 'Tyneside' and 'The Reivers' both of which have been made into television series.



His most recent work "The Scots – a Genetic Journey" will be his topic at this year's Literary High Tea. It gives a fascinating insight into who we really are as revealed by the information we all carry inside us in our genes! Expect a few surprises along the way.

RENT A PEASANT

Making a welcome return to Hawick this group specialise in the life of the ordinary food-producing farmer, the foundation of any society. Led by Louisa Gidney an archaeologist and part-time farmer with a wealth of knowledge in her subject they will display food and livestock of the period and will be joined on the day by one of their four-legged members.



BORDER CLANSMEN

Come and meet the "Border Clansmen" - your local Living History group - They plan to start their 2012 tour of events this year with the Hawick Reivers Festival – meet them in Lovel Court and Wilton Lodge Park. Join them to bring the Border history to life - with pike drills, demonstrations on weapons & armour, sword duels, kiddie battles and cannon firing ... It will be a blast.



FRIDAY 9TH MARCH 2012

A COOKING EXPERIENCE WITH CAROLYN OLIVER + GOOD MUSIC

7.30pm - Tower Mill Auditorium

Tickets £10 available from Visit Scotland Box Office (Tower Mill)
01450 360688 or on-line at www.thebooth.co.uk

FRIDAY 23RD MARCH 2012

SCOCHA CONCERT

Hawick Town Hall - 8pm Doors open 7.15pm
Hosted by Hawick Callants Club



Main Hall – Cabaret Style seating £12. Bar serving beer, wine and soft drinks
Balcony £10 – drinks available at the interval

Tickets available from Bannerman Burke, High St. Hawick
Or on line at www.borderevents.com/boxoffice

FIREWORKS PRIZE DRAW

The winning ticket will be drawn at the interval
The holder of the winning ticket will have the privilege of launching the Reivers Festival Fireworks Display

SATURDAY 24TH MARCH 2012

REIVERS PROCESSION - 10.45AM

Venue: Hawick High Street to Lovel Court

Led by Hawick Mosstroopers and Fifes and Drums Band

SAXHORN BAND IN TRINITY GARDENS

"Sponsored Play" - 9am to 7pm concluding in the Common Haugh



HAWICK SENIOR CITIZENS COFFEE MORNING

10am to 12noon Venue: Trinity Church Hall Tea/Coffee + Scone £1.50

IGNITE INTERACTIVE

Civic Space, 10.30am to 4pm

**16TH CENTURY MARKET AND ENCAMPMENT
10.30AM TILL 4PM**

Venue: Lovel Court and Textile Tower House

Step back in time with the help of our visiting re-enactment groups, crafts people, musicians and traders. Rough Justice will again be dispensed to some well-known figures and local school children will do their best to bring to life our Reiver History.

“Trials” - will be held at 11.15am, noon, 12.45pm and 1.45pm See some well known local “characters” face rough justice and punishment in the stocks

KITE MAKING WORKSHOP

Artbeat Studios 17 Commercial Rd, 11.30-1.30 or 2.30-4.30.

Artbeat Studios is offering youngsters the opportunity to create a kite from willow. Sessions will last for two hours and is available to ages 5+.

Each session costs £4 (Kite, juice and biscuit incl. in price). Parents welcome

SCHOOLS DRAMA IN ST MARY’S CHURCH

11.30am “Reiving Characters”

Prepared and presented by Drumlanrig/St Cuthbert’s Primary School

12.30pm “A Reiver’s Romance”

Performed by Stirches Primary School

1.15pm “Thomas the Rhymer”

Written and performed by Trinity Primary School

MUSIC IN LOVEL COURT THROUGHOUT THE DAY

HERITAGE HUB

‘Horrible Histories of the Borders’ exhibition

The Heritage Hub will be open from 10am-4pm for family history enquiries

CERAMIC WORKSHOP

Venue – Art Department, Hawick High School, from 10.30 to 12.45pm
Make a Model from stoneware clay. This will be fired in a kiln and can be collected (or posted to you) later. The sessions will be run by Andy Norman
No art skills required! Come and have a go! Price £4. No booking necessary

HAWICK ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY LECTURES

Commercial Room, Textile Tower House. Admission to each lecture £2 payable at the door

12.30pm – Ian Landles “Walking in the Land of the Reivers”

TORCHLIGHT PROCESSION

THE HOT TROD

Lead by Hawick Scout Fellowship Pipe Band
Assemble in Common Haugh Car Park from 6.30pm
Procession starts 6.45pm

FIREWORKS DISPLAY

Venue: Volunteer Park Sports Ground 7.30pm
Hot drinks will be available in the Park area (in front of stand)

SESSION A9 IN CONCERT

With assistance from Hawick Amateur Operatic Society

Venue: Hawick Town Hall – 8.15pm Doors open 7.45pm

Main Hall £13 (concert seating) Gallery £11

Bar serving beer, wine and soft drinks available

Tickets Available from Bannerman Burke, High St Hawick

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SUNDAY 25TH MARCH 2012

REIVERS ENCAMPMENT

WILTON LODGE PARK - 12PM TILL 4PM

Meet members of Best and Worst of Times, Falconry Scotland, Border Clansmen and others in their 16th century encampment - Lots of chances to try your hand and take part in battles.



CHILDREN’S SPORTS - 1PM TILL 3.30PM

Throughout the afternoon teams from local primary schools will be competing in a series of games from the Reiving Times in Wilton Lodge Park. The winning school will receive a specially commissioned trophy made by Andy Norman

Times are approximate and may be subject to slight variation

- 12.00..... Re-enactment
- 12.20..... Archery Demo / Come And Try
- 12.40..... Falconry Presentation
- 1.00..... Handover Of “Hawick Torch” From Trinity To Wilton
- 1.05..... Medieval Games
- 1.40..... Re-enactment
- 2.10..... Medieval Games
- 2.50..... Archery Demo / Come And Try
- 3.10..... Falconry Presentation
- 3.30..... Medieval Games Finale
- 3.50..... Re-enactment, Children’s Battle & Grand Finale

LITERARY TALK AND HIGH TEA

BY ALISTAIR MOFFAT

Hosted by Hawick Rotary Club, Mansfield Park, Hawick Rugby Club - 4.30pm
Advanced booking essential.

Tickets £13 (including High Tea) from Bannerman Burke, High St. Hawick
Or phone 01450 375263 or on line at www.borderevents.com/boxoffice

FALCONRY

We are pleased to welcome back this year Falconry Scotland from their base at Jedburgh. They will be showing their birds on Sunday at Wilton Lodge Park from 12pm to 4pm and there will be opportunities to get up close and handle some of the birds.



CORNUCOPIA

We welcome back this very talented group of musicians who play an array of musical instruments of the 16th century including bagpipes, hurdy-gurdy and fiddle. Be entertained, as they bring history alive with their foot-stomping tunes and dancing dragon! They will be in and around Lovel Court on Saturday.



THE BEST OF TIMES THE WORST OF TIMES RE-ENACTMENT GROUP

The “Border Reivers” try to dramatically portray all aspects of everyday life in the Borders in the late 16th century: food, entertainment, daily tasks, politics, combat and training. To this end members of the group use “authentic” clothing, weapons, props, and skills of the times - circa 1560 to 1600. Combatants must train to a high degree in the use of the sword, targe and polearm to ensure that a high degree of both safety and correct technique are maintained. The “Border Reivers” take part in a variety of displays throughout the year, from “living history” displays for national organisations such as English Heritage to educational events for schools and fetes to charitable events and even films. They are always looking for enthusiastic new members, particularly from the north of England and Scotland. Join them in Lovel Court on Saturday and The Reivers Encampment Wilton Lodge Park on Sunday.



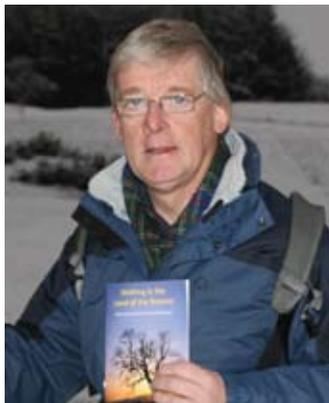
IAN W LANDLES

HAWICK ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY GUEST SPEAKER

This year's Hawick Archaeological Society lecture will be given by Society stalwart and Past-President, Ian W Landles. Ian is much in demand all over the Borders and beyond, as an entertaining and informative speaker. Until his retirement in 2009, he taught in the Hawick High School History Department for 34 years and his Local History Night Class which he begun in 1980 shows no sign of losing its popularity.

He is also a Past President of Hawick Callants Club and of the 1514 Club, the Chairman of the Will H. Ogilvie Memorial Committee and a Director of the Bill McLaren Foundation. Hawick to the core, he has a great love for its history and its language, its rugby team and its Common Riding for which he was immeasurably proud to be Chief Guest in 2004.

A poet and singer-songwriter he is the co-author with his friend, Scocha's Alan Brydon of the acclaimed musical "A Reiver's Moon" which is based on the exploits of Auld Wat o Harden's reiving Scott family. Ian and Alan also collaborated to produce "Walking in the Land of the Reivers" a best-selling book of fifteen historical walks which follow the routes that the reivers once rode. Ian will talk about the making of the book and about the walks described therein which traverse the matchless Border hill country of which he has a lifelong knowledge and love.



JOUGS AND JUST DESERTS

We welcome this new group making their first visit to Hawick. Their theme is "Punishment through the ages" and they will be demonstrating various forms of punishments that were all used in Scotland including the Pillory and branding iron for a thief and thumbscrews for an English spy. And witches beware – you may find yourself facing some tough justice!



PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

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This year the Reivers Festival would like YOU to be the one that documents this great local event!

There are three age categories:

Primary School (age up to 12), **High School** (13-18) and **Adult** (19+).

Application forms will be printed in the Hawick News and are also available from ILF Imaging, 2 Sandbed, Hawick (01450 379757) or online at www.hawickreivers.com.

Images should be handed in preferably on disc, labelled clearly (printed photos also accepted) to ILF Imaging, or entries with a completed application form e-mailed to: info@hawickreivers.com.

Each applicant may only enter 2 photos. The winners of each age category will have their photos displayed in next years Reiver Festival programme and will receive a prize.

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Photos must be handed in by Friday 6th April 2012!



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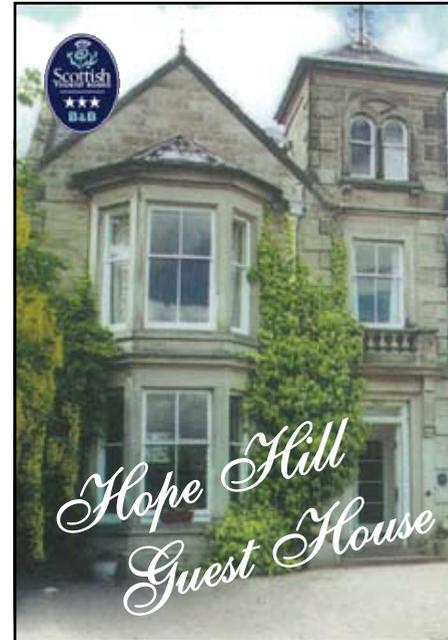
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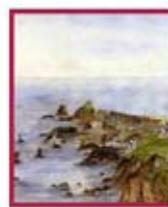
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On Saturday 24th members will provide musical entertainment by way of a "Sponsored Play". Playing will commence at 9am at Trinity Gardens and will finish at the Common Haugh at 7pm.

The Reivers Festival weekend has proved very successful and popular with locals and visitors alike, and it is hoped the rousing music will add to what is already an atmospheric and exciting weekend.



HAWICK REIVERS FESTIVAL 2012

From 23rd to 25th March 2012, Hawick steps back in time to the 16th century and through drama, song, poetry and re-enactments invites visitors and towns-people alike to experience life in this turbulent, often violent, but very colourful period in our history. A full programme of activities is planned; many of which are free to the public and include demonstrations of falconry, archery and horsemanship, a look at craftsmen of the times, and dramatic re-enactments. There are also concerts, guided walks, historical lectures and many other activities.

This is very much a family event with something to interest all ages and tastes.

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