

Portsoy

Presents

The **9**th **Haal**

1st - 2nd - 3rd June 2018

A WEEKEND OF SONGS, TUNES, STORIES, POETRY, DANCE, WORKSHOPS AND SESSIONS TO BE HELD IN AND AROUND PORTSOY

Friday 1st June

Festival office opens 12.00 noon in the lounge of The Station Hotel, Portsoy.

1.30 - 3.00

A NUMBER OF FESTIVAL PERFORMERS WILL VISIT PORTSOY PRIMARY SCHOOL AND MACRAE COURT TO ENTERTAIN PUPILS AND RESIDENTS.

7:30 - 10:30

Jimmy McBeath Memorial Concert Doors Open 7.00pm

TOWN HALL PORTSOY - £15/ U16 FREE.

An evening of Bothy Ballads, Scottish Traditional Songs and Tunes - Sponsored by Hamlyns of Scotland - Boyndie Mills. Featuring Arthur Johnstone with The Stars Band, Hamish Moore, Gnoss, Annie Reid, Bob Knight and Natalie Chalmers. MC for the evening Scott Gardner.

Bar facilities, with a wide selection of Craft Real Ales on tap and in bottle, provided all weekend in Lesser Town Hall, by Portsoy 75 Club & Banf RFC.

8.00 - 1030

A Taste of Festival Music - Free - SHORE INN - Bob Sharp, Northern Shore and friends.

STATION HOTEL LOUNGE - Gary Taylor and Red Blues

During the evening, guest musicians will play sets at each of the venues.

11.00 - 1.00 All £5.

Late Night Festival Club - Town Hall SINGAROUND - Main Hall - Hosted by DANNY COUPER.

TUNES in Lesser Hall - Real Ale/Cider Bar - led by Kenny Hadden and members of

STORIES of The Supernatural round the table - Town Hall - Hosted by Bob Knight and Derek and Lorna Summers.

Saturday 2nd June

10.00

A Song or two in memory of Jimmy - From Danny Couper, Bill Gray and Arthur Watson at the Graveside of Jimmy McBeath, in Portsoy Cemetary.

10.30 - 12.00

A Brackfast o' Porridge, Brose and a Bothy Ballad. Hosted by Scott Gardner and Joe Aitken and Doug Hay (master of the spurtle, poem and song).

Porridge Oats Provided by Hamlyns of Scotland. Station Hotel Function Hall - £5.00

12.30 - 2.15

Workshops - all £7.00

FIDDLE - Led by Duncan Wood - Town Hall
PIPING - Led by Hamish Moore and Martin
MacDonald - Portsoy Scout Hall.

WHISTLE - Beginners - Led by Kenny Hadden - incorporating a Competition for the Wendy de Rusett Memorial Trophy - Town Hall.

FLUTE - Led by Cathal McConnell - intermediate - Town Hall.

1230-1400 Kissings Nae A Sin - The Spiers Family - Station Hotel Function Hall

2.30

Greig~Duncan Song Competition - Salmon Bothy

Competing for the WWC Trophy. Open to Snr and Jnrs (u15) singers, performing a song of their choice from the Greig ~ Duncan Collection of folk songs.

PARTICIPANTS FREE - AUDIENCE £5

2.30 - 4.00 £5 U16 free.

Family Ceilidh Dance Workshop with Feerochie. Portsoy Scout Hall. Supported by GM Systems.

2.30 - 4.30

Shories Session - Shore Inn. With Ronan Fitzsimons and friends. Free.

4.30 - 5.45

Time to exercise your vocal cords and join in a selection of songs with a chorus

- The Turn of The Century - Led by Arthur Johnstone, with loads of opportunity audience participation. Come along with a song to sing or relax before the evenings concert with a glass of something.

Town Hall Bar £5.

7.30 - 10.30

Main Festival Concert

Portsoy Town Hall.

Sponsored by Kenway Tyres Aberdeen Concert to be opened by winner of GD Song Competition and winner of The Wheeler Prize for outstanding achievement by a Pupil at Aberdeen; S Music School.

The Boys of The Town - featuring Co Fermanagh's superb Cathal McConnell with local fiddle virtuoso Duncan Wood and Guitarist Martin MacDonald. Some great tunes, songs and craic ensured.

Allan Taylor and Rab Noakes - two of the UK's finest singer songwriters in collaboration.

MC Scott Gardner.

Doors open 7.15pm. £15

11.00 - 1.00

Late Night Festival Club - Town Hall - £5 Singaround led by Danny Couper. Instrumental Session in Town Hall Bar Lesser Town Hall - Cathal, Duncan, Martin and Kenny.

Sunday 3rd June

11.00 - 12.00

Story Telling / Poetry Session - Jills Café. Seafield Street.

Led by Lorna, with contributions from Derek, Les, Sheila, Doug and Natalie.

12.30 - 2.00

Singer songwriters get together to discuss and perform their works - led by Bob Knight. £5

1.00 - 2.15

The Grumpy Ghost of Boyne Castle Supported by Portsoy Past and Present, performed by pupils of Paulina Honig, who penned the musical. Scout Hall. Donations Please.

3.00 - 5.00

Shories Instrumental Session - Free. Led by Cathal, Duncan, Kenny, Martin and Friends, Shore Inn.

3.00 - 5.00

Singaround in Station Hotel - Free. Led by The Spiers Family.

7.00pm

Grand Farewell Concert-Town Hall.

Open Mic Farewell Concert. A chance for Folk at The Salmon Bothy Regulars to be centre stage. Plus competition winners and possibly a guest or two if time allows. Participants must register with Mcs by 18:30 to ensure a slot. Depending on demand, organisers reserve the right to close the list and or limit time.

MCs Ron Gardner and Bob Sharp £8 Concession £6

Ticket Prices

Friday Concert £15

Saturday Concert £15

Sunday Concert £8 / £6 conc.

Free if you purchase tickets for Friday and Saturday Concerts.

Sessions/Workshop/Festival Club etc Arm Band £15

£10 if you purchase tickets for Friday and Saturday Concerts.

Tickets available from:

Bob Philips 01261 842571

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Station Hotel - 01261 842327 enquiries@stationhotelportsoy.co.uk Will be offering weekend deals including tickets. Call for information.

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