

• Bram Taylor

This man from Lancashire plays duet concertina and acoustic guitar, has considerable vocal talents and his performances exude warmth. The Festival's Jam with Bram session on Friday afternoon will be Bram doing what he loves – singing good songs with people who share the same passion.

• Wendy Arrowsmith

The North Yorkshire based Glaswegian is a deft guitar player who also plays accordion, whistle and bodhran . . . and the fiddle is yet to make the transition to the stage! With her impressive voice she brings to life traditional songs and her self-penned material too. Her captivating stage presence is also worth remarking on.

• Caleb Major

Stephen & Emma Durkan are Caleb Major. Emma plays fiddle and has studied at Newcastle University for a Folk Arts Degree while her brother plays acoustic guitar. In a new development this year, two Youth Fiddle Workshops will be led by Emma with the intention to showcase the tunes and arrangements learned at the Workshops during the Festival.

• Celine Donoghue & Neil Sturgeon

This duo were simply fabulous at last year's Marymass. Wherever they played they impressed audiences with their terrific skills on tenor banjo, guitar and fiddle, clever choice of material and their sheer enjoyment of what they do. A return visit was never in doubt.

• The Stavanger Harbour Band

The Stavanger-onians are here well-nigh most years, so 2013 being the 750th anniversary of The Battle of Largs is simply coincidental with their arrival! Bill, Richard, Sara and Eivind sing join-in-able songs and take part in as many sessions as possible in their Marymass pilgrimage. Velkommen tibake!

• Mayy

An All Britain Champion concertina player and two former pupils at the Plockton School of Traditional Music are Mayy. Hayley Keenan is from Largs and plays fiddle and piano, Kenny Rankin sings and plays guitar and on concertina is Glaswegian Mohsen Amini.

We look forward to hearing this new band and also discovering how the name Mayy came about!

FESTIVAL GUESTS

Bram Taylor, Wendy Arrowsmith, Celine Donoghue & Neil Sturgeon, Caleb Major, The Stavanger Harbour Band & Mayy will all be playing at various times during the Festival.

B.Y.O.B. Please note, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday nights are BYOB.

THANKS

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. . . **thanks also** to everyone who helped with Irvine Folk Club's fundraising for this year's Marymass Folk Festival.

. . . **and as always**, thanks to ZISYS AVMN for excellent PA and assistance!

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• **CONCERT TICKETS:** £15 (£5 Open Stage) are now available at Irvine Folk Club or by post from Joyce. Please send an SAE, with cheque payable to Marymass Folk Festival to 7 Machrie Place, Kilwinning KA13 6RW

• **FESTIVAL SAVER TICKET:** for Irvine Folk Club members is £40 for all evening concerts.

• **ACCOMMODATION:** enquiries to www.visitscotland.com

• Marymass Folk Festival is organised by Irvine Folk Club which meets fortnightly at 8pm in Vineburgh Community Centre, Quarry Road.

• Floor singers and musicians are always welcome.

• The Club starts back on Wednesday 4th September with Gaberlunzie.

• **ALL MARYMASS FOLK FESTIVAL INFORMATION:** Phone Joyce 01294 551047 or email JoyceIFC@aol.com

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The 46th Marymass
Folk Festival
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Wednesday 21st August

Coffee Afternoon Folk

Mure Church Hall, West Road, 1pm - 3pm £2

Formal Opening of the 46th Marymass Folk Festival

The Marymass Queen Elect will open the Festival

followed by The Open Stage Competition

Vineburgh Community Centre, Quarry Road BYOB

Info from & entries to Joyce 01294 551047

*Sorry, not open to previous year's Open Stage winner

8pm - 11pm £5

Thursday 22nd August

The Thursday Lunchtime Session

With Festival Guests

The Ship Inn, Harbourside

12.30pm - 2pm FREE

Concert for Senior Citizens

Sponsored by Irvine Rotary Club

With Festival Guests

Woodlands Centre, Kilwinning Road

2pm - 4pm FREE

Singers' Concert

With Wendy Arrowsmith, Bram Taylor, Celine Donoghue

& Bill Woodcock + Festival Guests

Vineburgh Community Centre

8pm - 11pm BYOB £15

The After Concert Singaround

(Open to concert-goers only)

Vineburgh Community Centre, 11pm'ish until late ... FREE

Friday 23rd August

Marymass Folk Festival at School!

With Festival Guests

Sponsored by Irvine Rotary Club

Haysholm School, Glebe, Loudoun-Montgomery

& St Mark's Primaries and Stanecastle School

11am - 12noon

The Friday Lunchtime Session

With Festival Guests

The Ship Inn, Harbourside

12.30pm - 2pm FREE

Folk Music at Options for Independence

With Festival Guests

Sponsored by Irvine Rotary Club

British Red Cross House

2pm - 4pm

Jam with Bram

Bram Taylor invites singers, musicians and those who would like to listen to an informal session of sing-able songs. Bring your chosen instrument and your voice.

Vineburgh Community Centre

2pm - 4pm FREE

The Danny Kyle Tea-Time Session

With Festival Guests and Friends

The Ship Inn, Harbourside

4.30pm - 6pm FREE

Concert

Celine Donoghue & Neil Sturgeon + Festival Guests

Vineburgh Community Centre. BYOB

8pm - 11pm £15

The After Concert Singaround

(Open to concert-goers only)

Vineburgh Community Centre

11pm'ish until late FREE

Saturday 24th August

The Marymass Saturday Bash

With Festival Guests and Friends

Woodlands Centre, Kilwinning Road

11am - 3pm Adults £1 Children/Seniors 50p

Marymass Saturday Night Concert

with The Paul McKenna Band + Festival Guests

Volunteer Rooms, High Street

7.30pm - 12midnight ... Adults £15 Seniors/Children £12

The After Concert Singaround

(Open to concert-goers only)

Volunteer Rooms, High Street

11.30pm'ish until late FREE

MCs at the Festival will be Alex Blair, Dick McAllister, Stephen Quigg and Willie Sinclair

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Sunday 25th August

The Marymass Survivors' Session

With Festival Guests and Friends

The Annual World Whammy-Diddling Championship and World Chuckie-Chucking Championship. Two spectacular events for the games connoisseur!

Vineburgh Community Centre

2pm - 6pm FREE

The Very Final Session of the 46th Marymass Folk Festival

The Ship Inn, Harbourside

7pm



• The Paul McKenna Band is the headline band at the Marymass Saturday Night Concert on 24th August. Paul McKenna, David McNee, Sean Gray, Evan Baird & Mike Vass are the band and they play a huge array of instruments with great skill and a driving enthusiasm. The New York Times reckon the best band to come out of Scotland in the last 20 years is The Paul McKenna Band. What more to say!

Youth Fiddle Workshops with Emma Durkan for 12 -18 yr olds -

Saturday 17th 10.30am - 3pm & Sunday 18th August

12.30pm -5pm in The Mure Church Hall, West Road

Cost is £6 each day.

Numbers are limited. Intermediate and above.

Phone Joyce 01294 551047 or JoycelFC@aol.com to book