Biggar Little Festival Main Venues

Venues in Biggar

1. Gillespie Centre & Festival Box Office
2. Corn Exchange
3. Municipal Hall
4. Biggar Kirk
5. Elphinstone Hotel
6. The Crown Inn
7. Gladstone Court Museum
8. St Marys Hall
9. Taj Mahal
10. Moat Park Heritage Museum
11. Plaisir
12. Atkinson Pryce Bookshop
13. heART & Home
14. Aroma Coffee Shop
15. British Legion Hall
16. Gladstone Gallery
17. Biggar Puppet Theatre
18. Biggar Sports Centre & Public Library
19. Biggar Showfield
20. Albion Museum
21. Daisy Frame
22. Feufield Llamas Larder
23. Masonic Hall
24. Biggar Bears
25. Biggar Gasworks
26. Fairy Yurt

Venues outside Biggar

27. Feufield Farm, Symington, Biggar
28. Rachan by Broughton
29. Carstairs Junction Kirk
30. Mill Inn and Library, Coulter
31. Coulter Hall
32. Drumelzier Village Hall
33. Skirling Village Hall
34. Carmichael Farmhouse
35. The Music Workshop, Clyde Valley
36. Shieldhill Castle Hotel

Open Studios

A. Amy Marshall, Biggar
B Ken Russell/Moira Russell, Biggar
C. Carol Taylor, Symington
D. Eileen Hood, Symington
E. Douglas Davis, Skirling
F. Angela Jamieson, Carnwath
G. Kirsten Harris, Carnwath
28. Susheila Jamieson

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Festival Programme

17 - 27 October

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Box Office Information

Programme details are correct at the time of going to print but may be subject to change. Up to date information on events is available on-line at www.biggar-little-festival.com or you can call the Box Office.

The Festival Box Office is located at the Gillespie Centre, High Street, Biggar ML12 6BJ from Saturday 05 October. Opening hours are Monday to Saturday 10am to 4pm and it will also be open on Sunday 20 October (Biggar Day Out) from 12noon to 4pm.

You can contact the Box Office by phone on 07837 026007 (an answering service is available outwith Box Office hours).

Tickets for many events are usually available at the door. However we have tried to indicate where advance booking for an event is essential or advisable. Last year several events sold out, so please book early to avoid disappointment!

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Welcome to the 11th Biggar Little Festival

James Softly
Chairman,
Biggar Little Festival

When talking to visitors and newcomers to the town of Biggar, the one common observation from everyone is how warm and friendly the people of the town are and what a wonderful array of opportunities there are to get involved in town events. "There is always something happening in Biggar" is a phrase you will hear often and there is no more evidence of that than Biggar Little Festival.

With every year, the festival is growing from strength to strength and over the last twelve months our committee, trustees and volunteers have worked hard to ensure that 2013 will be no exception.

It is with great pleasure, therefore, that I welcome you all to what will be our 11th Biggar Little Festival which will take place from the 17th – 27th October 2013.

Music, drama, dance, literature and the visual arts are all well represented over 10 days of what is a real community event, supported and encouraged by the people of Biggar, for the people of Biggar, - with a smattering of comedy and fireworks thrown in. We trust you will find there is something for everyone.

A big thank you goes to the businesses and individuals who have sponsored events, donated funds or given up their valuable time to ensure that the festival is successful, to the shops; hotels; restaurants and pubs that open their doors and welcome the public to our town on Biggar Day Out on Sunday 20th October and to our talented local artists, musicians and performers who make it all possible.

Please take time to look through this programme and visit our website. We thank you all once again for your support and encouragement and we look forward to seeing you all during the festival.

James Softley
Chairman BLF

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DATE & TIME	EVENT	VENUE	TICKETS	PN
PRE-FESTIVAL EVENTS				
Saturday 05 October				
7.30pm to 11pm	BBC Radio Scotland Young Traditional Musician Award Semi-Finals 2014	Coulter Hall (31)	£8 / £6 conc	14
Tuesday 08 to Saturday 12 October				
7.30pm to 10.30pm	Calendar Girls	Corn Exchange (2)	Tue £5, Wed & Thur £8, Fri & Sat £10	14
Saturday 12 October				
8am to 5pm	The Madainn Art Group Exhibition – from 12 Oct throughout the festival	Aroma Coffee Shop (14)	FREE	42
Monday 14 October				
10am to 4pm	biggART	Gillespie Centre (1)	FREE	42
Tuesday 15 October				
8am to 5pm	The Madainn Group Art Exhibition	Aroma Coffee Shop (14)	FREE	42
10am to 4pm	biggART	Gillespie Centre (1)	FREE	42
7.30pm to 10pm	Shooglestick Theatre Group presents 'The Short and the Long Of It'	Municipal Hall (3)	£7 / £5 conc	14
Wednesday 16 October				
8am to 5pm	The Madainn Group Art Exhibition	Aroma Coffee Shop (14)	FREE	42
10am to 4pm	biggART	Gillespie Centre (1)	FREE	42
1.30pm to 3pm	Pips and Panda and the Magic Egg	Biggar Puppet Theatre (17)	£8	14
8pm to 10.15pm	Biggar Music presents 'Tenacious T'weed'	Municipal Hall (3)	£10 school students free	15
FESTIVAL EVENTS				
Thursday 17 October				
All Day	Natural Scotland Through the Eyes of a Child	High Street Shops	FREE	42
8am to 5pm	The Madainn Group Art Exhibition	Aroma Coffee Shop (14)	FREE	42
9.30am to 5.30pm	Art Exhibition by local Rag Rug Artist Karen Kelly	heART & Home (13)	FREE	43
10am to 2pm	African Art Exhibition	Daisy Frame, 24 Station Road (21)	FREE	43
10am to 4pm	biggART	Gillespie Centre (1)	FREE	42
10am to 4pm	Exhibition of Art included in contemporary Art Auction on Thursday 24th Oct	Corn Exchange (2)	FREE	42
10am to 5pm	Autumn Exhibition	Gladstone Gallery (16)	FREE	42
Individual appointments	Animal Communication Sessions	Fairy Yurt, East Lindsaylands Lodge, Biggar (26)	£30	15

DATE & TIME	EVENT	VENUE	TICKETS	PN
10.30am to 4.30pm	Discover Feufield Farm – Animal Sanctuary	Feufield Farm, Symington (27)	Family ticket £7.50	15
11am to 12noon or 2pm to 3pm	Learn to knit with Suzie Pea	Feufield Farm, Symington (27)	£10 inc materials	16
1.30pm to 3pm	Pips and Panda and the Magic Egg	Biggar Puppet Theatre (17)	£8	16
3pm to 8pm	Art Exhibition by Biggar High School students	Biggar Public Library (18)	FREE	43
7pm to 8.30pm	Meditation in Modern Life	Biggar Public Library (18)	FREE	16
8pm to 10.30pm	Rob Hall & Chick Lyall 'Chronicles'	Corn Exchange (2)	£8 adult, £5 under 16's	16
Friday 18 October				
All Day	Natural Scotland Through the Eyes of a Child	High Street Shops	FREE	42
8am to 5pm	The Madainn Group Art Exhibition	Aroma Coffee Shop (14)	FREE	42
9.30am to 4pm	Art Exhibition by Biggar High School students	Biggar Public Library (18)	FREE	43
9.30am to 5.30pm	Art Exhibition by local Rag Rug Artist Karen Kelly	heART & Home (13)	FREE	43
10am to 12noon	Children's Art Workshop – Halloween Lanterns	Biggar Public Library (18)	£12 inc materials	17
10am to 2pm	African Art Exhibition	Daisy Frame, 24 Station Road (21)	FREE	43
10am to 4pm	biggART	Gillespie Centre (1)	FREE	42
10am to 4pm	Exhibition of Art included in contemporary Art Auction on Thursday 24th Oct	Corn Exchange (2)	FREE	42
10am to 5pm	Autumn Exhibition	Gladstone Gallery (16)	FREE	42
Individual appointments	Animal Communication Sessions	Fairy Yurt, East Lindsaylands Lodge, Biggar (26)	£30	17
10.30am to 4.30pm	Creative knitting	Feufield Llamas Larder Coffee Shop (22)	FREE	17
10.30am to 4.30pm	Discover Feufield Farm – Animal Sanctuary	Feufield Farm, Symington (27)	Family ticket £7.50	17
11am to 5pm	Medwyn Art Group Exhibition	Masonic Hall (23)	FREE	43
1.30pm to 2.30pm	Early Musical Instruments	Biggar Puppet Theatre (17)	£5	17
7pm to 9pm	Christopher Brookmyre at Biggar Library	Biggar Public Library (18)	FREE but ticketed	18
7.30pm to 10.30 pm	Comedy night with Bruce Morton & John Gavin	Municipal Hall (3)	£10	18
9pm till late	Festival Club	Elphinstone Hotel (5)	FREE	18
Saturday 19 October				
All Day	Natural Scotland Through the Eyes of a Child	High Street Shops	FREE	42

DATE & TIME	EVENT	VENUE	TICKETS	PN
8am to 5pm	The Madainn Group Art Exhibition	Aroma Coffee Shop (14)	FREE	42
9.30am to 4pm	Art Exhibition by Biggar High School students	Biggar Public Library (18)	FREE	43
9.30am to 5.30pm	Art Exhibition by local Rag Rug Artist Karen Kelly	heART & Home (13)	FREE	43
10am to 2pm	African Art Exhibition	Daisy Frame, 24 Station Road (21)	FREE	43
10am to 4pm	Scottish Fairy Factory	Corn Exchange (2)	Prices Vary	19
10am to 4pm	biggART	Gillespie Centre (1)	FREE	42
10am to 4pm	Exhibition of Art included in contemporary Art Auction on Thursday 24th Oct	Corn Exchange (2)	FREE	42
10am to 5pm	Autumn Exhibition	Gladstone Gallery (16)	FREE	42
10am to 4pm	Amy Marshall – Open Studio	High Street, Biggar (A)	FREE	22
10am to 4pm	Anj Art	Danleigh, Spittal, Carnwath (F)	FREE	23
10am to 4pm	Ken Russell – Open Studio	Lindsaylands Road, Biggar (B)	FREE	22
10am to 4pm	Moira Russell – Open Studio	Lindsaylands Road, Biggar (B)	FREE	22
10am to 4pm	Kirsten Harris – Open Studio	Carnwath (G)	FREE	24
10am to 5pm	Susheila Jamieson – Open Studio	Beechwood, Rachan, Broughton (28)	FREE	24
10am to 6pm	Carol Taylor – Open Studio	The Studio, Symington (C)	FREE	23
11am to 4pm	Douglas Davies – Open Studio	Skirling Green (E)	FREE	24
1pm to 5pm	Eileen Hood – Open Studio	Manse Road, Symington (D)	FREE	23
10am to 4pm	Corset Making Workshop (Day 1)	Plaisir (11)	£130 inc materials	19
10am to 5pm	Albion Museum Open Day	Albion Museum (behind Gladstone Court) (20)	FREE	20
10.30am to 4.30pm	Discover Feufield Farm – Animal Sanctuary	Feufield Farm, Symington (27)	Family ticket £7.50	20
10.30am to 5pm	Drawing the Human Figure	Drumelzier Village Hall (37)	£65	19
11am to 12noon (under 5 years) 2pm to 3pm (5 to 12 years)	Build-A-Biggar-Bear	Biggar Bears, High Street (24)	£10 inc materials	20
11am to 5pm	Medwyn Art Group Exhibition	British Legion Hall (15)	FREE	43
12noon to 8pm	Biggar Little Beer Festival	Gladstone Court Museum (16)	FREE	20
2pm to 3.30pm	Bugsy Malone	Biggar Puppet Theatre (17)	£6	20
2pm to 4pm	Dance and Danceability	St Mary's Hall (8)	£5 Under 18's free	21
2pm to 5pm	Guardian Angel Workshop	Fairy Yurt, East Lindsaylands Lodge (26)	£35	21
7pm to 9.30pm	Great Gatsby	Biggar Puppet Theatre (17)	£6	21

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8pm to 11pm	Paul Jones with Digby Fairweather's Half Dozen	Municipal Hall (3)	£15	24
9pm till late	Festival Club	The Crown Inn (6)	FREE	24
Sunday 20 October	**BIGGAR DAY OUT**			
All Day	Natural Scotland Through the Eyes of a Child	High Street Shops	FREE	42
8am to 5pm	The Madainn Group Art Exhibition	Aroma Coffee Shop (14)	FREE	42
9.30am to 5.30pm	Art Exhibition by local Rag Rug Artist Karen Kelly	heART & Home (13)	FREE	43
10am to 2pm	African Art Exhibition	Daisy Frame, 24 Station Road (21)	FREE	43
10am to 5pm	Autumn Exhibition	Gladstone Gallery (16)	FREE	42
10am to 4pm	Amy Marshall – Open Studio	High Street, Biggar (A)	FREE	22
10am to 4pm	Anj Art	Danleigh, Spittal, Carnwath (F)	FREE	23
10am to 4pm	Ken Russell – Open Studio	Lindsaylands Road, Biggar (B)	FREE	22
10am to 4pm	Moira Russell – Open Studio	Lindsaylands Road, Biggar (B)	FREE	22
10am to 4pm	Kirsten Harris – Open Studio	Carnwath (G)	FREE	24
10am to 4pm	Corset Making Workshop (Day 2)	Plaisir (11)	£130 inc materials	27
10am to 4pm	Theatre Open Doors Day	Biggar Puppet Theatre (17)	FREE ENTRY	27
10am to 4pm	Bargain Book Fair	Biggar Puppet Theatre (17)	FREE ENTRY	27
10am to 5pm	Susheila Jamieson – Open Studio	Beechwood, Rachan, Broughton (28)	FREE	24
10am to 6pm	Carol Taylor – Open Studio	The Studio, Symington (C)	FREE	23
10.30am to 4.30pm	Discover Feufield Farm – Animal Sanctuary	Feufield Farm, Symington (27)	Family ticket £7.50	27
11am to 4pm	Douglas Davies – Open Studio	Skirling Green (E)	FREE	24
11am to 12noon	Festival Service	Biggar Kirk (4)	FREE	27
11am to 12noon (under 5 years) 2pm to 3pm (5 to 12 years)	Build-A-Biggar-Bear	Biggar Bears, High Street (24)	£10 inc materials	27
11am to 5pm	Medwyn Art Group Exhibition	British Legion Hall (15)	FREE	43
12noon start	BLF Premier 5km Fun Run	Show field (19)	£10 inc free t-shirt for competitors	28
12 noon to 4pm	biggART	Gillespie Centre (1)	FREE	42
12noon to 4pm	Henna Hand Painting	Taj Mahal (9)	Prices vary	28
12noon to 5pm	Open Mic	Outside Corn Exchange (2)	FREE	?
12noon to 4.30pm	Biggar Gasworks Steam Day	Biggar Gasworks (25)	FREE	28
12noon to 4.30pm	Craft & Food Fair	Municipal Hall & St Mary's Hall (3) & (8)	£1 Adults. Children under 16 free.	26
12noon to 5pm	Albion Museum Open Day	Albion Museum (behind Gladstone Court) (20)	FREE	27

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Sunday 20 October	**BIGGAR DAY OUT**			
12noon to 8pm	Biggar Little Beer Festival	Gladstone Court Museum (16)	FREE	28
1pm to 4pm	Moat Park Heritage Centre Open Day	Moat Park Heritage Centre (10)	FREE	28
1pm to 5pm	Eileen Hood – Open Studio	Manse Road, Symington (D)	FREE	23
2pm to 3pm	The Hungry Caterbiggar	Atkinson-Pryce Bookshop (12)	FREE	
7pm to 9.30pm	Eastfield & Harthill Flute Orchestra in Concert	St Mary's Hall (8)	£5 / £3 conc	29
7.30pm to 9.30pm	Absolutely Legless	Municipal Hall (3)	£8.50	29
8pm to 11pm	Archie Fisher	Corn Exchange (2)	£8	29
Monday 21 October				
All Day	Natural Scotland Through the Eyes of a Child	High Street Shops	FREE	42
Individual appointments	Animal Communication Sessions	Fairy Yurt, East Lindsaylands Lodge, Biggar (26)	£30	30
8am to 5pm	The Madainn Group Art Exhibition	Aroma Coffee Shop (14)	FREE	42
9.30am to 5.30pm	Art Exhibition by local Rag Rug Artist Karen Kelly	heART & Home (13)	FREE	43
9.30am to 4pm	Art Exhibition by Biggar High School students	Biggar Public Library (18)	FREE	43
10am to 2pm	African Art Exhibition	Daisy Frame, 24 Station Road (21)	FREE	43
10am to 4pm	Exhibition of Art included in contemporary Art Auction on Thursday 24th Oct	Corn Exchange (2)	FREE	42
10am to 5pm	Autumn Exhibition	Gladstone Gallery (16)	FREE	42
10.30am to 4.30pm	Discover Feufield Farm – Animal Sanctuary	Feufield Farm, Symington (27)	Family ticket £7.50	30
11am to 5pm	Medwyn Art Group Exhibition	British Legion Hall (15)	FREE	43
5pm to 7.30pm & 8pm to 10.30pm	Taj's Traditional Treats	Taj Mahal (9)	Prices vary	30
7.30pm to 10pm	The Dukes of Uke: A Night at the Movies	Corn Exchange (2)	£6	30
Tuesday 22 October				
All Day	Natural Scotland Through the Eyes of a Child	High Street Shops	FREE	42
Individual appointments	Animal Communication Sessions	Fairy Yurt, East Lindsaylands Lodge, Biggar (26)	£30	30
8am to 5pm	The Madainn Group Art Exhibition	Aroma Coffee Shop (14)	FREE	42
9.30am to 5.30pm	Art Exhibition by local Rag Rug Artist Karen Kelly	heART & Home (13)	FREE	43
10am to 12.30pm	Walk and Talk: Skirling	Skirling Village Hall (33)	£5	30
10am to 2pm	African Art Exhibition	Daisy Frame, 24 Station Road (21)	FREE	43

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10am to 4pm	Exhibition of Art included in contemporary Art Auction on Thursday 24th Oct	Corn Exchange (2)	FREE	42
10am to 5pm	Autumn Exhibition	Gladstone Gallery (16)	FREE	42
10.30am to 4.30pm	Discover Feufield Farm – Animal Sanctuary	Feufield Farm, Symington (27)	Family ticket £7.50	31
11am to 12noon or 2pm to 3pm	Learn to knit with Suzie Pea	Feufield Farm, Symington (27)	£10 inc materials	31
1.30pm to 3pm	The Magical Princess and the Hunter	Biggar Puppet Theatre (17)	£8	31
3pm to 8pm	Art Exhibition by Biggar High School students	Biggar Public Library (18)	FREE	43
5pm to 7.30pm & 8pm to 10.30pm	Taj's Traditional Treats	Taj Mahal (9)	Prices vary	31
6pm to 8pm	Dance Improvisation Class	St Mary's Hall (8)	£9	31
6.30pm to 8.30pm	Felt Making Session	heART & Home (13)	£18 inc materials & refreshments	32
7.30pm to 9.30pm	Andrew Greig with Rachel Newton	Corn Exchange (2)	£8	32
Wednesday 23 October				
All Day	Natural Scotland Through the Eyes of a Child	High Street Shops	FREE	42
Individual appointments	Animal Communication Sessions	Fairy Yurt, East Lindsaylands Lodge, Biggar (26)	£30	32
8am to 5pm	The Madainn Group Art Exhibition	Aroma Coffee Shop (14)	FREE	42
9.30am to 5.30pm	Art Exhibition by local Rag Rug Artist Karen Kelly	heART & Home (13)	FREE	43
10am to 2pm	African Art Exhibition	Daisy Frame, 24 Station Road (21)	FREE	43
10am to 4pm	Exhibition of Art included in contemporary Art Auction on Thursday 24th Oct	Corn Exchange (2)	FREE	42
10am to 5pm	Autumn Exhibition	Gladstone Gallery (16)	FREE	42
10.30am to 4.30pm	Discover Feufield Farm – Animal Sanctuary	Feufield Farm, Symington (27)	Family ticket £7.50	32
3pm to 5pm	Sewing Bee Sale	Biggar Puppet Theatre (17)	FREE ENTRY	32
3.30pm to 5.30pm	Flamenco Sevillanas dance class	St Mary's Hall (8)	£9	33
5pm to 7.30pm & 8pm to 10.30pm	Taj's Traditional Treats	Taj Mahal (9)	Prices vary	33
7.00pm to 8.30pm	Zumba Fitness	Sheldhill Castle Hotel (36)	£5	33
7.30pm to 9.30pm	Hang on a tic, it's Just a Minute ...	Elphinstone Hotel (5)	£5	33
7.30pm to 10pm	Scotland – influencing Art and Music	Corn Exchange (2)	£10 / £8 conc & students	33
Thursday 24 October				
All Day	Natural Scotland Through the Eyes of a Child	High Street Shops	FREE	42

DATE & TIME	EVENT	VENUE	TICKETS	PN
Individual appointments	Animal Communication Sessions	Fairy Yurt, East Lindsaylands Lodge, Biggar (26)	£30	34
8am to 5pm	The Madainn Group Art Exhibition	Aroma Coffee Shop (14)	FREE	42
9.30am to 5.30pm	Art Exhibition by local Rag Rug Artist Karen Kelly	heART & Home (13)	FREE	43
10am to 2pm	African Art Exhibition	Daisy Frame, 24 Station Road (21)	FREE	43
10am to 2pm	Printing from Woodblocks	Rachan by Broughton (28)	£60 inc materials & refreshments	34
10am to 4pm	Exhibition of Art included in contemporary Art Auction on Thursday 24th Oct	Corn Exchange (2)	FREE	42
10am to 5pm	Autumn Exhibition	Gladstone Gallery (16)	FREE	42
10.30am to 4.30pm	Discover Feufield Farm – Animal Sanctuary	Feufield Farm, Symington (27)	Family ticket £7.50	34
11am to 12noon or 2pm to 3pm	Learn to knit with Suzie Pea	Feufield Farm, Symington (27)	£10 inc materials	34
12 noon to 3pm	Food & Falconry	Carmichael Farmhouse Kitchen Tearooms (34)	£13.50	34
3pm to 8pm	An Exhibition by Biggar High School students	Biggar Public Library (18)	FREE	43
5pm to 7.30pm & 8pm to 10.30pm	Taj's Traditional Treats	Taj Mahal (9)	Prices vary	35
6.30pm to 8.30pm	Wirework Jewellery making Workshop	heART & Home (13)	£14.50 inc materials & refreshments	35
7pm to 9pm	Writers Open Mic	Elphinstone Hotel (5)	FREE	35
7pm till the end of the auction	Contemporary Art Auction	Corn Exchange (2)	£2 entry to auction only	35
Friday 25 October				
All day	Natural Scotland Through the Eyes of a Child	High Street Shops	FREE	42
Individual appointments	Animal Communication Sessions	Fairy Yurt, East Lindsaylands Lodge, Biggar (26)	£30	35
8am to 5pm	The Madainn Art Group Exhibition	Aroma Coffee Shop (14)	FREE	42
9.30am to 4pm	Art Exhibition by Biggar High School students	Biggar Public Library (18)	FREE	42
9.30am to 5.30pm	Art Exhibition by local Rag Rug Artist Karen Kelly	heART & Home (13)	FREE	43
10am to 2pm	African Art Exhibition	Daisy Frame, 24 Station Road (21)	FREE	43
10am to 5pm	Autumn Exhibition	Gladstone Gallery (16)	FREE	42
10.30am to 4.30pm	Creative knitting	Feufield Llamas Larder Coffee Shop (22)	FREE	35

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10.30am to 4.30pm	Discover Feufield Farm – Animal Sanctuary	Feufield Farm, Symington (27)	Family ticket £7.50	35
11am to 5pm	Medwyn Art Group Exhibition	British Legion Hall (15)	FREE	43
7pm till late	Murder Mystery Night	Shieldhill Castle, Quothquan (36)	£30 per person	36
7.30pm to 10pm	Biggar Shorts	Corn Exchange (2)	£8	36
9pm till late	Festival Club	The Crown Inn (6)	FREE	36
Saturday 26 October				
All day	Natural Scotland Through the Eyes of a Child	High Street Shops	FREE	42
8am to 5pm	The Madainn Art Group Exhibition	Aroma Coffee Shop (14)	FREE	42
9.30am to 4pm	Art Exhibition by Biggar High School students	Biggar Public Library (18)	FREE	43
9.30am to 5.30pm	Art Exhibition by local Rag Rug Artist Karen Kelly	heART & Home (13)	FREE	43
10am to 12.30pm	Hallowe'en Puppet Workshop	Biggar Puppet Theatre (17)	£8 inc lunch	36
10am to 2pm	African Art Exhibition	Daisy Frame, 24 Station Road (21)	FREE	43
10am to 4pm	Scottish Fairy Factory	Corn Exchange (2)	Prices Vary	36
10am to 5pm	Autumn Exhibition	Gladstone Gallery (16)	FREE	42
10am to 4.30pm 4.30pm to 5pm	Come and Sing Come and Sing Concert	St Marys Hall (8) & Biggar Kirk (4)	£16	37
10.30am to 4.30pm	Discover Feufield Farm – Animal Sanctuary	Feufield Farm, Symington (27)	Family ticket £7.50	37
11am to 12noon (under 5 years) 2pm to 3pm (5 to 12 years)	Build-A-Biggar-Bear	Biggar Bears, High Street (24)	£10 inc materials	37
11am to 5pm	Jazz Course UK – Jazz Weekender (Day 1)	The Music Workshop, Carstairs Junction (35)	£120 for weekend	37
10am to 5pm	Albion Museum Open Day	Albion Museum (behind Gladstone Court) (20)	FREE	37
11am to 5pm	Medwyn Art Group Exhibition	British Legion Hall (15)	FREE	43
12noon to 8pm	The Malt Whisky Experience	Gladstone Court Museum (7)	FREE	37
1pm to 3pm	Halloween Party	Biggar Sports Centre (18)	£3 children, adults free	38
1pm to 5pm	Mosaic Workshop	Rachan by Broughton (28)	£60 inc materials & refreshments	38
7.30pm to 9.30pm	Three Broads & A Piano	Corn Exchange (2)	£8	38
8pm to 11pm	An Evening with Breabach	Municipal Hall (3)	£12 / members £10	38
9pm till late	Festival Club	Elphinstone Hotel (5)	FREE	38
Sunday 27 October				
All day	Natural Scotland Through the Eyes of a Child	High Street Shops	FREE	42

DATE & TIME	EVENT	VENUE	TICKETS	PN
8am to 5pm	The Madainn Art Group Exhibition	Aroma Coffee Shop (14)	FREE	42
9.30am to 5.30pm	Art Exhibition by local Rag Rug Artist Karen Kelly	heART & Home (13)	FREE	43
10am to 2pm	African Art Exhibition	Daisy Frame, 24 Station Road (21)	FREE	43
10am to 4pm	Stone Carving Workshop	Rachan, by Broughton (28)	£80 inc materials & refreshments	39
10.30pm to 4pm	Jazz Course UK – Jazz Weekender (Day 2)	The Music Workshop, Carstairs Junction (35)	£120 for weekend	39
10.30am to 4.30pm	Discover Feufield Farm – Animal Sanctuary	Feufield Farm, Symington (27)	Family ticket £7.50	39
11am to 12noon (under 5 years) 2pm to 3pm (5 to 12 years)	Build-A-Biggar-Bear	Biggar Bears, High Street (24)	£10 inc materials	39
12noon to 5pm	Albion Museum Open Day	Albion Museum (behind Gladstone Court) (20)	FREE	39
11am to 5pm	Medwyn Art Group Exhibition	British Legion Hall (15)	FREE	43
12noon to 8pm	The Malt Whisky Experience	Gladstone Court Museum (7)	FREE	39
12.30pm to 6.30pm	Rag Rug Making	heART & Home (13)	£35 inc materials & refreshments	39
1.30pm to 3pm	The Magical Princess and the Hunter	Biggar Puppet Theatre (17)	£8	40
3pm to 6pm	Festival of Light	Moat Park Museum (10)	£5	40
5pm onwards	Fireworks event	Can be viewed from Burn Braes	FREE	40
7.30pm to 9.30pm	Biggar Little Cinema 'Argo'	Corn Exchange (2)	£6	40
7.30pm to 9.45pm	Jazz at the Junction	The Kirk, Carstairs Junction (29)	£6 / children free	40
Post Festival Event				
Monday 28 October				
7.30pm to 9.30pm	Biggar Little Cinema 'Argo'	Corn Exchange (2)	£6	41
7.30pm to 9.30pm	Poetry Please at the bookshop	Atkinson-Pryce Bookshop (12)	£3 inc glass of wine	41
Tuesday 29 October				
7.30pm to 10pm	Concert in the Kirk with Coalburn Silver Band & Biggar Singers	Biggar Kirk (4)	£5/£4 conc	41
Thursday 31st October				
7.30pm (9pm)	Linda Cracknell	Atkinson Pryce Bookshop (12)	£5 includes glass of wine	41
Friday 01 November				
7.30pm to 10pm	Dukes of Uke: A Night at the Movies	Corn Exchange (2)	£6	41
Saturday 02 November				
7.30pm to 10.30pm	Introducing Anya	Corn Exchange (2)	£5	41

BBC Radio Scotland Young Traditional Musician Award Semi-Finals 2014

Saturday 5 October
Coulter Hall (31)
7.30pm (11pm)
£8 / £6 conc

This popular annual event in Coulter Hall is back for another year. Young traditional musicians from all over Scotland perform to get to the finals of this prestigious Award.

Shooglestick Theatre Group presents 'The Short and The Long Of It'

Tuesday 15 October
Municipal Hall (3)
7.30pm (10pm)
£7 / £5 conc

A short sketch –'A Beautiful Day for a Duel' by Gerald P Murphy, and a two act play 'The Haunted Cabin' by Matthew Lynch, both courtesy of Lazy Bee Scripts. Suitable for all the family.

Biggar Theatre Workshop presents Calendar Girls

Tuesday 8 to Saturday 12 October
Corn Exchange (2)
7.30pm (10.30pm)
Tuesday £5, Wednesday & Thursday £8, Friday & Saturday £10

Biggar Theatre Workshop tells the story of a group of extraordinary women, members of a very ordinary Yorkshire WI, and how they spark a global phenomenon by persuading one another to pose for a charity calendar with a difference.

Calendar Girls is based on an uplifting and inspiring true story that is quirky, poignant and hilarious. The stage adaptation of Tim Firth's smash hit film is a must see of the Biggar Little Festival.

Pips and Panda and the Magic Egg

Wednesday 16 October
Biggar Puppet Theatre (17)
1.30pm (3pm)
£8

A fun story told with glow-in-the-dark puppets – by the internationally renowned "Purves Puppets" now celebrating their 43rd year in puppetry. Pips the monkey and Panda are camping on the beach. They are about to have their tea when something odd happens and they notice something strange up in the sky! Later they discover a magic egg which begins to cause trouble and lots of fun! What's inside? Where does it come from? You'll have to wait and see!! !

Suitable for ages 1 to 6. Tickets available from the Puppet Theatre on 01899 220631.
Also showing on Thursday 17 October.

Biggar Music presents 'Tenacious T'weed'

Wednesday 16 October
Municipal Hall (3)
8pm (10.15pm)
£10 / School students free

Tenacious T'weed performs music for Soprano, Clarinet and Piano, and was formed while the members were students together. Cumbrian Soprano Alexa Mason studied at the Alexander Gibson Opera School, RSAMD, and performs both as a soloist, and with Scottish Opera. Clarinettist Gemma Carlin, from Aberdeen, began studying clarinet at RSAMD in 2000 and was awarded the Peter Morrison Prize, the RSAMD's prize for excellence. Also from Aberdeen, Christopher Baxter is in constant demand as an accompanist and chamber musician, and recent performances include recitals throughout the UK, in France, and Italy.

Animal Communication Sessions

Thursday 17 to Sunday 27 October
Fairy Yurt, East Lindsaylands Lodge, Lindsaylands Road, Biggar, ML12 6NR (26)
Weekday individual appointments
£30 per session

Local animal communicator and author Alphedia of Elemental Beings will be holding half hour individual animal communication sessions at her Fairy Yurt. Ever wondered what your dog, cat, rabbit, snake or other pet was saying to you? In these sessions Alphedia facilitates communication through you asking your animal questions and her hearing their responses.

Alphedia has been able to hear animals since she developed her telepathy in 2006. She also works with the animal's guardians and uses unique animal healing techniques where appropriate to assist your animal fulfilling a happy, healthy life.

Discover Feufield Farm – Animal Sanctuary

Thursday 17 to Sunday 27 October
Feufield Farm, Symington, Biggar ML12 6HX (27)
10.30am to 4.30pm
Family ticket £7.50

We've got an action packed event calendar for Feufield for this year's Festival! Throughout the entire Festival, Feufield Farm will be open to visitors daily. Pony rides, walking with Llamas and much more including NEW for 2013 our Trading Post-featuring local arts/crafts/produce. Festival goers family ticket (2 adults,2 children or 1 adult,3 children) special offer £7.50. Pony rides £10.00 or 3 rides for £20.00. Walking with llamas £8.00 or 3 walks for £16.00.

These activities need to be booked in advance. See www.feufield.com for more details.

Feufield's Llamas' Larder-Coffee Shop 23,High Street,Biggar will be open throughout the Festival and serving delicious food and drink. Also a number of events will be hosted there in addition to the Farm.

Learn to knit with Suzie Pea

Thursday 17 October
Feufield Farm, Symington, Biggar ML12 6hX (27)
11am to 12noon and 2pm to 3pm
£10 per session, includes materials and donation to The Feufield Trust

Knitting is making a comeback! If you've never tried or forgotten how – enjoy a sociable hour learning to knit with Suzie Pea. Also on Tuesday 22 and Thursday 24 October.

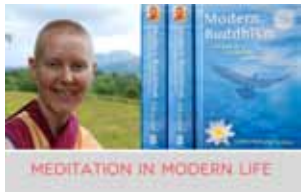
Pips and Panda and the Magic Egg

Thursday 17 October
Biggar Puppet Theatre (17)
1.30pm (3pm)
£8

Please see Wednesday 16 October for details.

Meditation in Modern Life

Thursday 17 October
Biggar Public Library (18)
7pm (8.30pm)
FREE



Free Talk and Meditation Workshop with modern Buddhist nun and inspirational teacher, Gen Kelsang Devi.
Discover the benefits of meditation:
-Deep relaxation
-Improved health & physical well-being
-Increased mindfulness & concentration
-More positive approach to life
Learn how to transform your life using ancient wisdom in modern times.

Rob Hall & Chick Lyall 'Chronicles'

Thursday 17 October
Corn Exchange (2)
8pm (10.30pm)
£8/Under 16's £5

Reeds player Rob Hall and keyboardist Chick Lyall kick off this year's festival with their brilliant musical partnership, now in its 10th year. They will be playing music from their latest CD 'Chronicles' alongside material from their previous three albums. Rob and Chick's collaborative approach and spontaneous delivery is particularly electrifying in a live setting, taking you into a fascinating musical wonderland where strands of jazz, classical, folk and electronics bounce off each other with ease, the pair building intense dialogues with a fluid and powerful language that is truly captivating

Rob Hall & Chick Lyall 'Chronicles'

"Tremendous" (Sunday Herald)

*"A genuine meeting of minds" ****(Scotsman)*

"a winning demonstration of the duo's great empathy as performers" (Jazzwise)

"…exhilarating. Both players show incredible virtuosic flair combined with beautifully crafted compositions" (Matt London Music)

"a life-enhancing experience …a true partnership emerges between two superb musicians" (Peter Naylor, composer)

Children's Art Workshop – Halloween Lanterns

Friday 18 October
Biggar Public Library (18)
10am to 12noon
£12 (includes materials & refreshments)

Create your very own Spooky Lantern for Halloween with artist Catriona Ross. Made with sticks, wire, tissue paper & lit by a (battery operated!) tea light, great for guising or a perfect party decoration! Suitable for ages 5 to 13.

Animal Communication Sessions

Friday 18 October
Fairy Yurt, East Lindsaylands Lodge, Lindsaylands Road, Biggar, ML12 6NR (26)
Weekday individual appointments
£30 per session

Please see Thursday 17 October for details.

Creative Knitting

Friday 18 October
Feufield Llamas Larder Coffee Shop (22)
10.30am to 4.30pm
FREE

Knitting is making a comeback! Enjoy a promotional and informative look at creative knitting. 10% off Yarn by Suzie Pea. Also on Friday 25 October.

Discover Feufield Farm – Animal Sanctuary

Friday 18 October
Feufield Farm, Symington, Biggar ML12 6HX (27)
10.30am to 4.30pm
Family ticket £7.50

Please see Thursday 17 October for details.

'Early Musical Instruments' A demonstration with Murray and Patsy Campbell

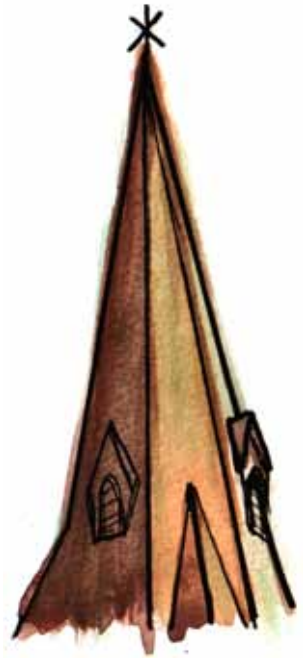
Friday 18 October
Biggar Puppet Theatre (17)
1.30pm (2.30pm)
£5

Professor Murray Campbell together with his art historian wife Patsy are early music enthusiasts and will bring and demonstrate a wonderful array of instruments that were popular in the period 1200 – 1600. Do you know your Rauschpfeife from your Gemshorn or your Shawm from your Sackbut? Now's your chance to find out! Suitable for ages 8 to 100!.

Christopher Brookmyre at Biggar Library

Friday 18 October
Biggar Public Library (18)
7pm (9pm)
FREE but ticketed

Scottish author and former journalist, Chris Brookmyre will be talking about his entertaining novels, which mix comedy, politics, wacky incidents, social comment and more recently science fiction. Places limited, please book early to avoid disappointment.



Festival Club

Friday 18 October
Elphinstone Hotel (5)
9pm until late
FREE

Our first festival club of 2013 will be held at The Elphinstone Hotel from 9.00 pm until late. Come along to this free event where you will get the opportunity to perform yourself or simply listen to and enjoy music from local and visiting bands in a warm and friendly atmosphere. Look out for details of the line up nearer the event.

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Comedy Night with Bruce Morton & John Gavin

Friday 18 October
Municipal Hall (3)
7.30pm (10.30pm)
£10

Join us for a fabulous double bill of comedy with Bruce Morton and John Gavin. Bruce is an acclaimed comic, storyteller and social commentator who is making his second appearance at the festival. He has received a Perrier nomination at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe and completed two UK tours of his critically acclaimed one-man show 'Blood Below the Window' the Independent commented, "Bruce Morton is not so much re-writing the rule book as throwing it away".

Joining Bruce is John Gavin, John started his career after his wife entered him in a stand-up competition without his knowledge, a month later he found himself in the final of 'So You Think You're Funny'. John is a regular act on all the big comedy chains and has won Scottish Comedian of the Year.

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'Not to be missed'

Scottish Fairy Factory

Saturday 19 October
Corn Exchange (2)
10am to 4pm
£12 BLF fairy,
£22 for customised fairy

Visit the Art gallery at the Corn Exchange and meet Visual Artist Linda Early who will be painting, her original and beautiful watercolour Scottish Fairies, in the gallery. Have a customised fairy painted with your own tartan, hair colour and much more. Also on Saturday 26 October.

Corset Making Workshop (2 day workshop)

Saturday 19 October
Plaisir (11)
10am to 4pm
£130 (includes materials)

Ever wanted to make your own corset? Well, this workshop is for you! Bring along your chosen fabric with matching thread, your sewing machine and a packed lunch and join experienced tutor Hazel Henderson to create your own bespoke corset (all other materials will be supplied). This workshop is suitable for people with reasonable sewing skills. Booking essential as places are limited

Drawing the Human Figure

Saturday 19 October
Drumelzier Village Hall (37)
10am to 5pm
£65

Phoebe Cope, a professional artist who studied at the Ruskin School of Fine Art and at the Prince's Drawing School, will lead a day of drawing exploring all aspects of the life class. Phoebe will teach the principals of line, tone and composition and introduce artists to the joys of figure drawing from the model. Basic materials, buffet lunch, wine, tea etc provided. Suitable for both beginners and experienced artists.

Bookings and enquiries:phoebecope@gmail.com t.07980575377

Albion Museum Open Day

Saturday 19 October

Albion Museum (behind Gladstone Court Museum) (20)

10am to 5pm

FREE – Donations welcome

Discover the Albion story and view our collection of memorabilia, parts and vehicles at the heart of the spiritual home of The Albion Motor Company. Museum also open on 20, 26 and 27 October.

Discover Feufield Farm – Animal Sanctuary

Saturday 19 October

Feufield Farm, Symington, Biggar ML12 6HX (27)

10.30am to 4.30pm

Family ticket £7.50

Please see Thursday 17 October for details.

Build-A-Biggar-Bear

Saturday 19 October

Biggar Bears (24)

11am to 12noon (under 5 years)

2pm to 3pm (5 to 12 years)

£10

Come and join us to build your very own Biggar Bear. Choose you're favourite, fill them full of stuffing, add a heart, a wish and a sprinkle of magic fairy dust! Then enjoy a Teddy Bear Picnic and a Story with your new best friend.

Biggar Little Beer Festival

Saturday 19 October

Gladstone Court Museum (7)

12 noon to 8pm

FREE ENTRY

Following the success of previous years, Biggar Little Beer Festival will once again host its very popular Beer Festival in the delightful Gladstone Court Museum giving you a chance to sample traditional crafted beers from throughout the UK with a strong focus on local Scottish brewers. Over 18's only.

'Bugsy Malone' (film)

Saturday 19 October

Biggar Puppet Theatre (17)

2pm (3.30pm)

£6

Roaring Twenties Film Day - "Bugsy Malone" u (film)
A great family film! A pint-sized cast illuminates this musical that is unlike any other ever made. Set in 1929 New York City, Bugsy Malone captures a flashy world of would-be hoodlums, showgirls, and dreamers - all played by child actors! As Tallulah, the sassy girlfriend of the owner of Fat Sam's Grand Slam Speakeasy, future superstar Jodie Foster dances and sings her way into our hearts. Very catchy songs - "My Name is Tallulah" and "You give a little Love" – I'm sure your feet will be tapping!

JOIN US FOR A CUSTARD PIE FIGHT AFTER FILM - BRING SUITABLE CLOTHING!
For bookings please contact the Puppet Theatre on 01899 220631 or www.purvespuppets.com

Dance and Danceability

Saturday 19 October

St Mary's Hall (8)

2pm to 4pm

£5, under 18's free

Another chance to sample country dancing to live music with Nell and Nicolas Broadbridge. Dance in long sets and experience two styles of dance – the elegance of Jane Austen and the excitement of American Contra Dancing. Come with or without a partner, no one will be a wallflower!
Soft shoes and comfortable clothes.

Guardian Angel Workshop

Saturday 19 October

Fairy Yurt, East Lindsaylands Lodge, Lindsaylands Road, Biggar ML12 6NR (26)

2pm to 5pm

£35

In this three hour workshop local Author and Angel Channel Alphedia will teach you how to connect with your own Guardian Angels.

You will learn what Angels are, how to communicate with them as well as receiving personal channeled messages from your Angels through Alphedia. You will receive a crystal and learn how to work with crystals and aura sprays to improve Angelic communications as well as going on guided meditations to meet your own Guardian Angels and receive a colour healing from them.

It is a good workshop for beginners and those interested in allowing the Angels into your life. Bookings at the BLF Box Office or by contacting 01899 229252 or www.elementalbeings.co.uk
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Suitable for age 16 and over

'Great Gatsby'

Saturday 19 October

Biggar Puppet Theatre (17)

7pm (9.30pm)

£6

Roaring Twenties Film Day - "Great Gatsby" 12A (film)
The film follows writer Nick Carraway as he leaves the Midwest and comes to New York City in the spring of 1922, an era of loosening morals and glittering jazz.

Chasing his own American Dream, Nick lands next door to a mysterious, party-giving millionaire, Jay Gatsby, and across the bay from his cousin, Daisy, and her philandering, blue-blooded husband, Tom Buchanan. So Nick is drawn into the captivating world of the super-rich, their illusions, loves and deceits. Nick pens a tale of impossible love, incorruptible dreams and high-octane tragedy.

Starring Leonardo DiCaprio, Tobey Maguire and Carey Mulligan. It's prohibition era so smuggle in your own alcohol – speakeasy style! BYOB!
For bookings please contact the Puppet Theatre on 01899 220631 or www.purvespuppets.com

Open Studios

Saturday 19 and Sunday 20 October

FREE ENTRY

Following the success of last year, local artists will once again be opening their hearts, souls and studios to let the public share in their creativity. Use the map on the back of the programme to follow the artists trail. See seperate flier for more details and map.

Amy Marshall

1/2, 46 High Street, Biggar ML12 6BJ (A)
10am to 4pm

An opportunity to meet the artist, see the studio and ask about Amy's painting methods. There will be many landscape paintings on display and for sale, including seascapes and landscapes from all around Scotland, as well as scenes local to the Biggar area.

Moira Russell

Janefield, 2 Lindsaylands Rd, Biggar ML12 6EQ (C)
10am to 4pm

Come and meet Moira in the studio she shares with her husband, Ken Russell and view her latest mixed media work and artist's books. A selection of other work may be seen on her webpage at www.inadifferentlight.co.uk

Ken Russell

Janefield, 2 Lindsaylands Rd, Biggar ML12 6EQ (C)
10am to 4pm

In Ken's work he transforms what might be termed 'ordinary' allowing you to view things with new eyes. His latest work will be on show this weekend and more of his work can be seen at www.inadifferentlight.co.uk

Carol Taylor

The Studio, 20 Carding Street, Symington, by Biggar ML12 6LS (C)
10am to 6pm

Local artist Carol Talyor invites you to join her in her garden studio to view a variety of new paintings and limited edition giclee prints. Carol paints fulltime in the studio, so there is quite a variety of art works to see or you can chat about the ideas that are the inspiration for her paintings. eg Large acrylics painted on linen/ canvas of the sea, landscapes, life drawings, wood engravings and dried flower specimen photography. www.castaylor.com 07769628820.

Kirsten Harris

Berry Knowe Cottage, West-sidewood, Carnwath, South Lanarkshire ML11 8LJ (G)
10am to 4pm

Oil paintings, watercolours, cartoons, cards and prints available to buy. Affordable Art. Please phone 07711 903537 for help with directions.

Douglas Davies

Loanfoot, Skirling, ML12 6HD (E)
11am to 4pm

Visit the studio, see work in progress and chat with the artist. www.douglasdaviesgallery.co.uk

Anj Art Animal Portraiture Open Studio

Danleigh, Bankhead Road, Spittal, Carnwath, ML11 8LY (F)
10am to 4pm

Local animal Artist, Angela Jamieson welcomes you to her open studio. Situated just south of Carnwath, with stunning views from the studio, it is a 10 minute drive from Biggar. Come and meet the artist, chat to her about her artwork and enjoy some home baking! Angela takes inspiration from the farmland and animals around her and this is featured in much of her work. Selection of artwork, prints and cards for sale. www.anjart.co.uk

Susheila Jamieson

Beechwood, Rachan, Broughton, Biggar, ML12 6HH (28)
10am to 5pm

Local professional sculptor/ artist/arts educator Susheila Jamieson invites you to visit studios and garden at Rachan. Sculptures, hand carved garden furniture, mosaic and other artwork will be on display. All artwork for sale. Examples of public art and school and community projects will also be on display. www.rachan.co.uk

Eileen Hood

Mansefield, Manse Road, Symington, by Biggar ML12 6LN (D)
1pm to 5pm

Eileen is an artist who uses various techniques in her art work and this year (2013) achieved Distinction in The London Art College Pet Portrait Diploma Course. She welcomes commissions to create portraits of pets and other animals. Eileen's paper crafts include mini albums which can be commissioned and personalised. www.mansfieldarts.com

'Rockin in Rhythm'

Paul Jones with Digby Fairweather's Half-Dozen

Scottish Hydro **Kindly sponsored by Scottish Hydro**

Saturday 19 October
Municipal Hall (3)
8pm to 11pm
£15

'Blues/pop legend Paul Jones joins up with Digby Fairweather's Half-Dozen for this headlining concert. Paul was the original front man with the group Manfred Mann putting him at the forefront of the 60's pop revolution, with million selling records alongside the likes of The Beatles and The Rolling Stones.
In 1979 he founded The Blues Band, which helped kick start another boom in Blues music, and he has recorded some 17 albums with them. He currently hosts a long running blues show on BBC Radio 2, and tours with The Manfreds, The Blues Band and also sings and plays harmonica with jazz musician Digby Fairweather. Digby leads Britain's most exiting young jazz band, his 'Half Dozen'. Their music ranges from Dixieland via hard-bop to Rhythm and Blues, and they can turn into a close harmony group at unexpected intervals!
The group's aim is simple; to play great music, regardless of style, and to entertain their audience. A Festival concert not to be missed.

Festival Club

Saturday 19 October
The Crown Inn (6)
9pm until late
FREE

Commencing at 9.00 pm until late we already have two of our most popular bands performing a range of music from country to rock music.
Come along and enjoy a great atmosphere free of charge.
Everyone is welcome to what is always a popular event during our festival.
' Look out for details of line up nearer the event'

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BIGGAR DAY OUT

SUNDAY 20 OCTOBER

VARIOUS VENUES

Street entertainment?
Food & craft fair?

12 noon to 5pm
FREE

Yes its Biggar Day Out once again as Biggar Little Festival pulls out all the stops for its eleventh year. Together with the town's shops, cafes, arts groups and others our aim is to provide a family feast of fun day out. What do you want to do? How about taking part in an event, rummaging through the food & craft fair, letting the kids go off in search of 'The Hungry Caterbiggar' or getting them on the bouncy dome to burn off some energy?

For those with less energy what about visiting an exhibition, enjoying a show, doing a bit of impromptu shopping or just moseying round the town? It's all there for you on Biggar Day Out. Come along, join in and help get the town buzzing.

BIGGAR DAY OUT kindly sponsored by Sainsbury's

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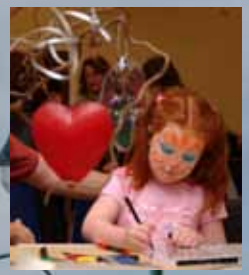
Street Entertainment

A quick stroll down Biggar High St and nearby brings you a host of entertainment. We have Horse & Carriage rides, open mic, pipe band, Albion Bus together with Biggar Gasworks Steam day, Puppet Theatre & Moat Park Heritage Centre open days. We also have lots to keep the children entertained with a bouncy dome, play bus, face painting and 'The Hungry Caterbiggar' walk, while dad's may want to soak up some of the atmosphere and sample some of the real ales at the Beer festival. This year we are adopting a 60's theme so feel free to get dressed up and join in all the fun.

Festival Fair



Fine foods, arts, crafts jewellery and much more. Due to the popularity of the festival fair this will now be held in both the Municipal and St Mary's Hall providing even more choice for a superb shopping experience. We will also be serving teas, coffees and scrumptious home baking at St Mary's Hall. Please see the Biggar Day Out Programme for a full list of stall holders.
Entry adults £1, children free.

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Corset Making Workshop (Day 2)

Sunday 20 October
Plaisir (11)
10am to 4pm
£130 (includes materials)

See Saturday 19 October for details

Theatre Open Doors Day

Sunday 20 October
Biggar Puppet Theatre (17)
10am to 4pm
FREE

You're welcome to pop in and we will show you around our wonderful Victorian-Style theatre. Guided Tours start at 11.00am, 1.30pm & 3.00pm. Tearoom will be open selling lunches and cakes! The Bargain Book Fair is also on the same day, in the tearoom. Puppet Shop, gardens and our own car park on site.

Bargain Book Fair

Sunday 20 October
Biggar Puppet Theatre (17)
10am to 4pm
FREE

Book lovers and collectors – come and grab a bargain from our wide range of secondhand books on all sorts of subjects! Bargain prices, so empty your piggy bank!

Discover Feufield Farm – Animal Sanctuary

Sunday 20 October
Feufield Farm, Symington, Biggar ML12 6HX (27)
10.30am to 4.30pm
Family ticket £7.50

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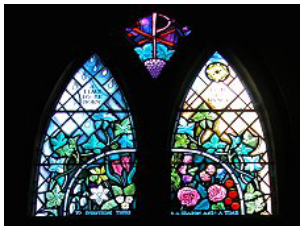
Festival Service

Sunday 20 October
Biggar kirk (4)
11am to 12 noon
FREE



This family friendly service is an integral part of the Festival, acknowledging and celebrating the spiritual side of the arts in Biggar. All are welcome.

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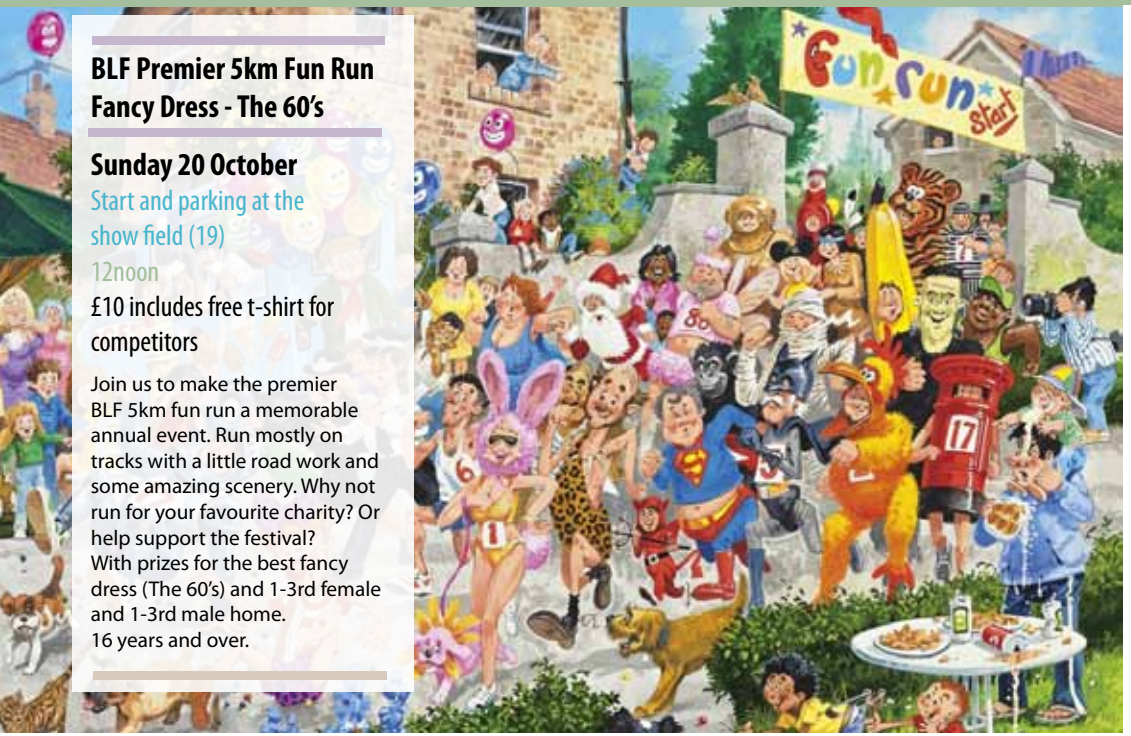

BLF Premier 5km Fun Run Fancy Dress - The 60's

Sunday 20 October

Start and parking at the show field (19)

12noon

£10 includes free t-shirt for competitors

Join us to make the premier BLF 5km fun run a memorable annual event. Run mostly on tracks with a little road work and some amazing scenery. Why not run for your favourite charity? Or help support the festival?
With prizes for the best fancy dress (The 60's) and 1-3rd female and 1-3rd male home.
16 years and over.

Biggar Gas Works Steam Day

Sunday 20 October

Biggar Gas Works (25)

12noon to 4.30pm

FREE

Biggar Little Beer Festival

Sunday 20 October

Gladstone Court Museum (7)

12noon to 8pm

FREE ENTRY

See Saturday 19 October for full details.

Henna Hand Painting

Sunday 20 October

The Taj Mahal (9)

12noon to 4pm

Prices Vary

Henna painting is an ancient art and offers a non-permanent alternative to a tattoo. Choose from a range of creative designs then watch as the girls show off their henna painting skills. Pay at the door – prices vary depending upon the design chosen.

Henna paint is not suitable for anyone with an allergy to henna. Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

Moat Park Heritage Centre Open Day

Sunday 20 October

Moat Park Heritage Centre (10)

1pm to 4pm

FREE

Explore your Heritage at Moat Park Heritage centre with free entry and refreshments.

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Eastfield and Harthill Flute Orchestra in Concert

Sunday 20 October

St Mary's Hall (8)

7pm (9.30pm)

£5 / £3 concessions

A night of musical entertainment from one of Lanarkshire's Premier Flute Orchestras. Performance includes varied programme of old favourites to popular songs as well as Individual Solo pieces from our members. Interval Refreshments included in ticket price.

An Evening with Archie Fisher

Sunday 20 October

Corn Exchange (2)

8pm (11pm)

£8

An evening of wonderful music with Archie Fisher, one of the pioneers of the British folk scene. Although best known for his work as a broadcaster, he is renowned as an outstanding performer, a master of fingerpicking styles, a songwriter and record producer.

"His accompaniments can be as compelling as the narratives until the natural balance of words and supportive undertow is restored. With Fisher, as with many artists of his generation, the whole presentation is his strength." Rob Adams in the Herald.

Absolutely Legless

Sunday 20 October

Municipal Hall (3)

7.30pm (9.30pm)

£8.50

Absolutely Legless, is traditional Irish Dance Group based in Edinburgh. This vibrant group has developed a reputation for exciting and innovative performances throughout the world.

Inspired by the Irish hard and soft shoe traditions, Absolutely Legless perform original dances in a relaxed and informal manner while remaining faithful to their roots. The dancers combine the grace of the soft shoes with the power and rhythmic precision of the hard shoes to provide a truly exhilarating experience.

This approach is reflected in the music from the band, which seamlessly weaves the evocative melodies and driving rhythms of Irish dance music. The unique line-up of fiddles, flutes and guitar play new arrangements of traditional and original airs, jigs and reels. This combination of the energy of the dancers and Celtic rhythms of the band entertains audiences every time and Absolutely Legless are well-received wherever they appear. In recent years, the group has gained recognition both at home and abroad with performances in the USA, Slovenia, Spain, France, and of course the Edinburgh Fringe. This year, the group have already performed in the Inter Celtic Festival of Wales, and are looking forward to festivals in Croatia and Barcelona.

Back for a second year by popular demand

Animal Communication Sessions

Monday 21 October
Weekday individual appointments
Fairy Yurt, East Lindsaylands Lodge, Lindsaylands Road, Biggar, ML12 6NR ( )
£30 per session

Please see Thursday 17 October for details.

Discover Feufield Farm – Animal Sanctuary

Monday 21 October
Feufield Farm, Symington, Biggar ML12 6HX (27)
10.30am to 4.30pm
Family ticket £7.50

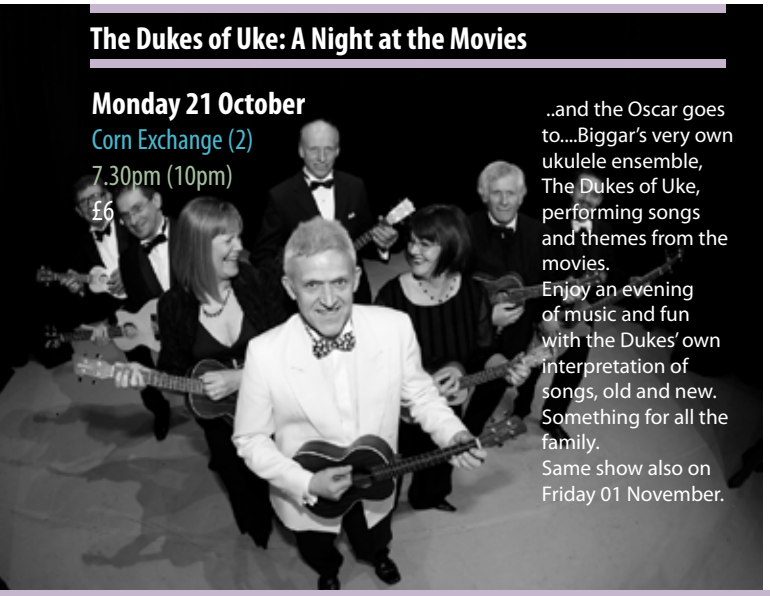
Please see Thursday 17 October for details.

Taj's Traditional Treats

Monday 21 October
The Taj Mahal (9)
5pm to 7.30pm & 8pm to 10.30pm
Prices vary

A Festival Institution! Once again it's time for the ladies to show off their cooking skills, bringing you mouth-watering homemade meals and a taste of the Punjab. An unforgettable taste experience!
Available from Monday 21 to Thursday 24 October. Advance booking essential on 01899 220801.

The Dukes of Uke: A Night at the Movies



Monday 21 October
Corn Exchange (2)
7.30pm (10pm)
£6

..and the Oscar goes to....Biggar's very own ukulele ensemble, The Dukes of Uke, performing songs and themes from the movies.
Enjoy an evening of music and fun with the Dukes' own interpretation of songs, old and new. Something for all the family.
Same show also on Friday 01 November.

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£30 per session
Please see Thursday 17 October for details.

Walk and Talk: Skirling

Tuesday 22 October
Skirling (meet at Skirling village hall) (33)
10am (12.30pm)
£5

Skirling is "a haven of tranquillity" today. Discover its history to find out why it has not always been so. A walk of about one mile around the village of Skirling, with commentary by Ian Gilchrist on its history, followed by a visit to the stunning Arts and Crafts period Skirling House, owned by Bob and Isobel Hunter.
Children over 12 are welcome to join the walk but must be accompanied by a responsible adult. Please wear good walking shoes and weatherproof clothing. No dogs allowed. For further details please contact Rosemary on 01899 308769.

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Family ticket £7.50

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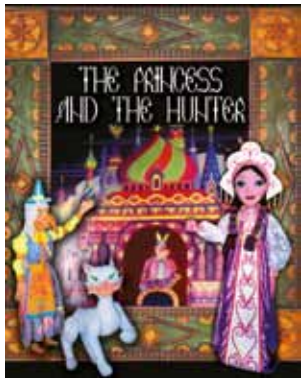
Learn to knit with Suzie Pea

Tuesday 22 October
Feufield Farm, Symington, Biggar ML12 6HX (27)
11am to 12noon and 2pm to 3pm
£10 per session, includes materials and donation to The Feufield Trust

Please see Thursday 17 October for details.

The Magical Princess and the Hunter

Tuesday 22 October
Biggar Puppet Theatre (17)
1.30pm (3pm)
£8



A fun story told with glow-in-the-dark-puppets – by the internationally renowned "Purves Puppets" now celebrating their 43rd year in puppetry.
This is a play adapted from an old Ukrainian Folktale. It tells the story of a simple man, called Andreas, who saves the life of a beautiful princess. In return she marries him and weaves a magical tapestry. Andreas decides to sell it to the mighty Tzar, who agrees to buy it, but only if Andreas also brings him the treasure rare, "I-don't-know-what from I-don't-know-where". So begins a long and amazing journey across the world. Full of magical effects and computer animation. Video Trailer on YouTube! Family show for age 6 – 100!

Tickets available from the Puppet Theatre on 01899 220631 or www.purvespuppets.com
Also on Sunday 27 October.

Taj's Traditional Treats

Tuesday 22 October
The Taj Mahal (9)
5pm to 7.30pm & 8pm to 10.30pm
Prices vary

See Monday 21 October for full details.

Dance Improvisation Class

Tuesday 22 October
St Mary's Hall (8)
6pm to 8pm
£9

A fun and relaxed workshop with tutor Julia Ferrer. With dance improvisation you will find new movements through individual and group activities. We will start with a full body workout and move on to experiment levels, shape and dynamics with your entire body.

Felt Making Session – Create a Bespoke Cosmetics Bag

Tuesday 22 October

heART & Home (13)

6.30pm to 8.30pm

£18 includes materials & refreshments

Felt making is fun and anyone can do it. Felt is made using the finest merino wool which is sometimes blended with pure silk to make a fabric that is very lightweight, warm and luxurious to the touch.You will make a cosmetic bag which will be completed at the workshop, there is no sewing or knitting involved. Everyone has great fun and can take the piece they make away with them. You don't have to be artistic and every piece turns out differently. Merino wool and silk is included in the price and will be supplied at the workshop along with refreshments.

Andrew Greig with Rachel Newton

Tuesday 22 October

Corn Exchange (2)

7.30pm to 9.30pm

£8

Atkinson-Pryce Books is hosting an evening with top author and poet, Andrew Greig, in celebration of the recent publication of "Fair Helen". This latest novel is a retelling of the ballad "Fair Helen of Kirkconnel". Musician Rachel Newton will perform several ballads to accompany the readings.

Animal Communication Sessions

Wednesday 23 October

Weekday individual appointments

Fairy Yurt, East Lindsaylands Lodge, Lindsaylands Road, Biggar, ML12 6NR ( )

£30 per session

Please see Thursday 17 October for details.

Discover Feufield Farm – Animal Sanctuary

Wednesday 23 October

Feufield Farm, Symington, Biggar ML12 6HX (27)

10.30am to 4.30pm

Family ticket £7.50

Please see Thursday 17 October for details.

Sewing Bee Sale

Wednesday 23 October

Biggar Puppet Theatre (17)

3pm to 5pm

FREE ENTRY

Do you have a crafting or arts project that you haven't got around to finishing? This is your perfect time to get your buttons, fabric remnants and ribbons and dust off your sewing machine to create a masterpiece! Coffee Shop will be open for a good natter!

Flamenco Sevillanas Class

Wednesday 23 October

St Mary's Hall (8)

3.30pm to 5.30pm

£9

A fun and relaxed workshop with tutor Julia Ferrer who will lead you through the basic movements of the Sevillanas, a popular and vivid Flamenco-style dance. Places limited. Children under 14 must be accompanied by an adult.

Taj's Traditional Treats

Wednesday 23 October

The Taj Mahal (9)

5pm to 7.30pm & 8pm to 10.30pm

Prices vary

See Monday 21 October for full details.

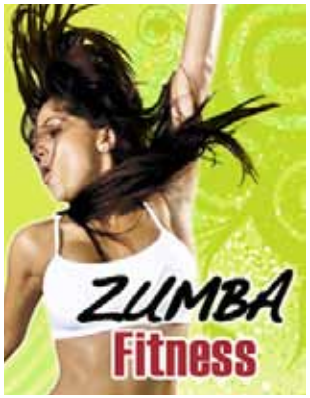
Zumba Fitness

Wednesday 23 October

Shieldhill Castle, Quothquan (36)

7pm (8.30pm)

£5 includes £1 donation to BLF



Zumba® is a Latin dance-fitness workout that fuses Latin music and dance moves into an exhilarating dance-fitness sensation! Zumba® exercise classes are " fitness-parties " that blend not only Latin music but also upbeat world rhythms and chart music with easy-to-follow choreography.

This event will be choreographed by two local instructors, who will hold the event together and use a mixture of different music and dances from their classes. Suitable for age 15 and over.

Hang On A Tic, It's Just A Minute.....

Wednesday 23 October

Elphinstone Hotel (5)

7.30pm (9.30pm)

£5

A crafty combobulation, a whirligig of wicked wit, a perfect pot-pourri of paronomasia from our peerless panel. And all without repetition, hesitation or deviation. Organised by Atkinson-Pryce Books.

Scotland – Influencing Art and Music

Wednesday 23 October

Corn Exchange (2)

7.30pm (10pm)

£10 / Concessions and students £8

Reflecting on the influences of our history, landscape and people, The Biggar Gallery presents an evening of projected imagery and traditional Scottish music. The evening will offer an opportunity to hear about the influences of artists and musicians – featuring Scottish artists and music by North Sea Gas.

Animal Communication Sessions

Thursday 24 October

Weekday individual appointments

Fairy Yurt, East Lindsaylands Lodge, Lindsaylands Road, Biggar, ML12 6NR (26)

£30 per session

Please see Thursday 17 October for details.

Printing from Woodblocks

Thursday 24 October

Rachan by Broughton (28)

10am to 2pm

£60 includes all materials, refreshments and delicious home baking.

Using wood carving tools and techniques design and carve an MDF panel. After a break we then ink up and take a series of prints from the carved panel. Take home carved wood block and prints.
This workshop is suitable for age 15 and over. Places limited. Advance booking essential on 01899 830443.

Discover Feufield Farm – Animal Sanctuary

Thursday 24 October

Feufield Farm, Symington, Biggar ML12 6HX (27)

10.30am to 4.30pm

Family ticket £7.50

Please see Thursday 17 October for details.

Learn to knit with Suzie Pea

Thursday 24 October

Feufield Farm, Symington, Biggar ML12 6HX (27)

11am to 12noon and 2pm to 3pm

£10 per session, includes materials and donation to The Feufield Trust

Please see Thursday 17 October for details.

Food & Falconry

Thursday 24 October

Carmichael Farmhouse Kitchen Tearooms (34)

12 noon (3pm)

£13.50

Food and Falconry is an afternoon of indulgence and adventure. A delicious local produce lunch will be served in the Carmichael Farmhouse Kitchen Tearoom including award winning Carmichael Estate Venison. Admire Rhuallan Raptor's amazing birds of prey from the tearoom window while you eat. After lunch get closer to these amazing birds and watch them fly. There will be a flight session in the small valley below the tearoom including owls, falcons and other birds of prey (weather permitting).

A truly memorable afternoon with delicious healthy local food, exhilarating birds of prey and a lovely atmosphere at the foot of Tinto Hill.

Price includes 2 course local produce lunch with tea and coffee and Rhuallan Raptors birds of prey display.

Taj's Traditional Treats

Thursday 24 October

The Taj Mahal (9)

5pm to 7.30pm & 8pm to 10.30pm

Prices vary

See Monday 21 October for full details.

Wirework Jewellery Making Workshop

Thursday 24 October

heART & Home (13)

6.30pm to 8.30pm

£14.50 includes all materials and refreshments

Create an amazing wire Dragonfly with gemstone beads, then turn it into a piece of jewellery. Beginners and advanced jewellery crafters alike will enjoy this unique workshop where you will have the opportunity to learn how to make a wire Dragonfly, including gemstone beads, which can then be turned into a choice of necklaces, bracelets, earrings & brooches. All the materials and fixings are included in the price and will be supplied at the workshop along with refreshments.

Writers Open Mic

Thursday 24 October

Elphinstone Hotel (5)

7pm (9pm)

FREE

An opportunity for writers of prose and poetry to air their work. All welcome.

Contemporary Art Auction

Thursday 24 October

Corn Exchange (2)

7pm till the end of the auction

£2 entry to auction only

An auction of contemporary art by both local and national artists. Hosted by the Art gallery at the Corn Exchange all art will be auctioned by McTear's Auctioneers of Glasgow, established in 1842. No reserve prices. All art will be original pieces carefully selected to ensure high quality. Places are limited so book your seat early. We look forward to welcoming you to an evening of fun and excitement. You might just walk away with an heirloom. All art, jewellery, woodwork and ceramics to be auctioned will be on display in the Gallery from Monday 17th . Sealed bids will also be accepted from this date.

Animal Communication Sessions

Friday 25 October

Weekday individual appointments

Fairy Yurt, East Lindsaylands Lodge, Lindsaylands Road, Biggar, ML12 6NR (26)

£30 per session

Please see Thursday 17 October for details.

Discover Feufield Farm – Animal Sanctuary

Friday 25 October

Feufield Farm, Symington, Biggar ML12 6HX (27)

10.30am to 4.30pm

Family ticket £7.50

Please see Thursday 17 October for details.

Creative Knitting

Friday 25 October

Feufield Llamas Larder Coffee Shop (22)

10.30am to 4.30pm

FREE

See Friday 18 October for details.

Biggar Shorts

Friday 25 October

Corn Exchange (2)

7.30pm (10pm)

£8

Back by popular demand, following a year's absence from the Festival, Biggar Theatre Workshop presents an evening of short plays and sketches guaranteed to tickle your funny bone.
Parental guidance recommended as the show may contain adult themes.

Murder Mystery Night

Friday 25 October

Shieldhill Castle, Quothquan (36)

7pm till late

£30 per person

Champagne reception with canapés on arrival with a four course dinner and the murder mystery event.

Festival Club

Friday 25 October

The Crown Inn (6)

9pm until late

FREE

Kicking off the second week of our festival is a night of music in The Crown Inn. There will be at least two local bands playing a mixture of music throughout the night from 9.00 until late.
The event is free of charge and you can be sure to enjoy a warm and friendly atmosphere. Look out for details of line up nearer the event.

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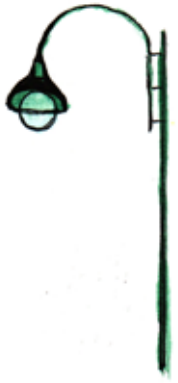

Hallowe'en Puppet Workshop

Saturday 26 October

Biggar Puppet Theatre (17)

10am (12.30pm)

£8 includes lunch

Come and have fun making your own puppet with the Purves Puppeteers and then perform on our stage and dance your puppet along to the music! Ticket price includes lunch. Mums and Dads come back to watch performance 10 mins before the end!
Suitable for ages 6 to 10 years. Tickets available from the Puppet Theatre on 01899 220631 or www.purvespuppets.com

Scottish Fairy Factory

Saturday 26 October

Corn Exchange (2)

10am to 4pm

£12 BLF fairy, £22 for customised fairy

See Saturday 19 October for details

Come and Sing

Saturday 26 October

St Mary's Hall (8) and Biggar Kirk (4)

10am (4.30pm)(St Mary's Hall) (break for lunch) Concert 4.30pm (5pm) Biggar Kirk

£16 (including light lunch)

Come and join conductor Frikki Walker and loads of eager skilled and not so skilled singers, for a day of choir workshops finishing with a half hour performance in Biggar Kirk that will knock the socks off your nearest and dearest. We will sing a mixture of classical and contemporary music, something for all tastes. If you haven't sung in a choir before give it a try, you will be amazed at how uplifting it can be, and you don't have to be able to read music. Suitable for age 14 and over. All welcome to concert in Biggar Kirk at 4.30pm.'

Discover Feufield Farm – Animal Sanctuary

Saturday 26 October

Feufield Farm, Symington, Biggar ML12 6HX (27)

10.30am to 4.30pm

Family ticket £7.50

Please see Thursday 17 October for details.

Jazz Course UK – Jazz Weekender (2 day course)

Saturday 26 October

The Music Workshop, Clyde Valley (35)

11am to 5pm

£120 for two day course

Jazz Course UK runs a national year round programme of short courses for improvising musicians. On this final course of the year, tutored by leading educator and saxophonist Rob Hall, students will prepare a varied selection of jazz repertoire to be performed in concert at the end of the course. The course is suitable for jazz players of Intermediate experience level and above. All chromatic instruments are accepted. Limited to 10 places.
The course culminates in a relaxed café style evening performance at 7.30pm on Sun 27 Oct in Carstairs Junction church (this year supporting the Biggar Big Band)
Bookings and enquiries can be made via www.jazzcourse.co.uk

"The whole atmosphere was one of encouragement and support…I would highly recommend these wonderful learning opportunities. It has been inspirational." Ben Redman (vibraphone, Scottish Borders)

Build-A-Biggar-Bear

Saturday 26 October

Biggar Bears (24)

11am to 12noon (under 5 years)

2pm to 3pm (5 to 12 years)

£10

See Saturday 19 October for details.

Albion Museum Open Day

Saturday 26 October

Albion Museum (behind Gladstone Court Museum) (20)

10am to 5pm

FREE – Donations welcome

Please see Saturday 19 October for details.

Biggar Little Beer Festival – The Malt Whisky Experience

Saturday 26 October

Gladstone Court Museum (7)

12 noon to 8pm

FREE Entry

A unique opportunity to sample Scotland's finest malts. We will also be conducting information sessions on the history of Scottish Malt production in Lanarkshire. Over 18's only.

Halloween Party

Saturday 26 October
Biggar High School Sports Centre (18)
1pm (3pm)
£3 per child. Adults free

Spookily spectacular children's Halloween Party with bouncy castle, games and entertainment. Prizes for the best fancy dress outfit. Suitable from birth to six years.

Mosaic Workshop

Saturday 26 October
Rachan by Broughton (28)
1pm to 5pm
£60 includes materials, refreshments and delicious home baking

This workshop led by Susheila at her studio at Rachan, introduces participants to direct or indirect method mosaic making (participants choose). Simple designs look stunning when made in glass or ceramic mosaic. *This workshop is suitable for age 15 and over. Places limited. Advance booking essential on 01899 830443 or susheila@rachan.co.uk*

Three Broads and a Piano

Saturday 26 October
Corn Exchange (2)
7.30pm (9.30pm)
£8

A light hearted evening of music from Mozart to Gershwin and more, performed by singers Alison Bishop, Julie Morrice and Nicky Wood, ably accompanied by Jonathan Harris.

Festival Club

Saturday 26 October
The Elphinstone Hotel (5)
9pm until late
FREE

This is the last of our free music nights starting at 9.00 pm and going through until late. Already booked we have three local bands plus whoever chances to come along to entertain you. Look out for details of line up nearer the event.

This event is very kindly sponsored by heART & Home

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An Evening with Breabach

Saturday 26 October
Municipal Hall (3)
8pm (11pm)
£12 / Members £10

Clydesdale Folk Club proudly presents an evening with: Breabach; Calum MacCrimmon, Megan Henderson, Ewan Robertson, James Duncan Mackenzie and James Lindsay.
Breabach deliver a thrilling and unique brand of contemporary folk music which has earned the group international recognition on the world and roots music scene as one of the UK's most dynamic and powerful bands.
The band intertwine highland bagpipes, fiddle, guitar, bass, flute, bouzouki, step dance, Gaelic and Scots song to produce a diverse and captivating performance.
Come and see what promises to be an exhilarating performance at Biggar Little Festival !!

Stone Carving Workshop

Sunday 27 October
Rachan by Broughton (28)
10am to 4pm
£80 (includes materials and refreshments)

Stone carving is engaging, fun, challenging and therapeutic! This one day workshop introduces participants to stone carving techniques using hand tools. The workshop is held in a warm, well equipped studio near Broughton. No experience necessary.

Suitable for age 15 and over. Workshop places are limited so advance booking essential on 01899 830443.

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Gladstone Court Museum (7)
12 noon to 8pm
FREE Entry

See Saturday 26th for details.

Rag Rug Making

Sunday 27 October
heART & Home (13)
12.30pm to 4.30pm
£35 includes materials and refreshments

This is a workshop based on a traditional craft of up cycling pre-loved fabrics into fantastic art forms using a Rag Rug Technique.

It is a workshop suitable for beginners and more advanced crafters alike as it will be led by an experienced crafter who will direct you through the process of designing and making a fantastic piece of art which you will be able to take home at the end of the session. All the materials, tools and refreshments will be supplied during the workshop.

The Magical Princess and the Hunter

Sunday 27 October
Biggar Puppet Theatre (17)
1.30pm (3pm)
£8

See Tuesday 22 October for details

Festival of Light

Sunday 27 October
Moat Park Heritage Centre (10)
3pm to 6pm
£5

Lantern-making workshop with a parade through the Burnbraes park at dusk.

Biggar Little Cinema 'ARGO'

Sunday 27 October
Corn Exchange (2)
7.30pm (9.30pm)
£6

Screening of the award-winning film 'Argo' (2012) (cert 15), directed by Ben Affleck and which received Oscars for best picture, adapted screenplay and film editing and baftas for best film, best editor and best editing.

Jazz at the Junction: Biggar Big Band & Guests

Sunday 27 October
Carstairs Junction Kirk, Strawfrank Road, Carstairs Junction (29)
7.30pm (9.45pm)
£6 / children free

The Music Workshop/Jazz Course UK presents a musical feast of big band and small group jazz. After the resounding success in last year's festival Jazz At The Junction returns, this year featuring the well established Biggar Big Band. Alongside classic jazz tunes, they will tonight perform Borderland, a suite the band commissioned from saxophonist and composer Rob Hall in 2009 whose themes reflect life in the wide open spaces of the upper Clyde valley. The piece is scored for an enlarged jazz orchestra including French horn, bass clarinet and percussion.

Opening up the concert the Jazz Course UK Ensemble will perform a short set as the culmination of a weekend jazz course running at The Music Workshop in Carstairs Junction.
A relaxed café style evening concert with refreshments.

Not To Be Missed

Fireworks Spectacular

Sunday 27 October
Can be viewed from the Burnbraes
5pm (6.30pm)
FREE (Donations Welcome)

Come along and enjoy the show at our spectacular fireworks event, featuring music, fire walking, lantern parade and a fantastic fireworks finale!

Biggar Little Cinema 'ARGO'

Monday 28 October
Corn Exchange (2)
7.30pm (9.30pm)
£6

See Sunday 27 for details.

Poetry Please at the Bookshop

Monday 28 October
Atkinson-Pryce Books (12)
7.30pm (9.30pm)
£3 includes a glass of wine

Poetry reading chosen by you, the audience. Back by popular demand... Atkinson-Pryce invites you to sit back, relax and be entertained by a fascinating mixture of poetry. Poem of choice to be submitted to the bookshop with ticket purchase.

Concert in the Kirk with Coalburn Silver Band & Biggar Singers

Tuesday 29 October
Biggar Kirk (4)
7.30pm (10pm)
£5 / £4 concessions

A midweek concert hosted by Biggar Rotary Club in the atmospheric setting of historical Biggar Kirk. Formed in 1902 as a public subscription band, Coalburn Silver Band is now the only surviving brass band in the South Lanarkshire area, having its roots in the coal mining industry. They will be supported tonight by Biggar Singers.

Linda Cracknell

Thursday 31 October
Atkinson Pryce Bookshop (12)
7.30pm (9pm)
£5 includes glass of wine and discount off the novel

Author and former Brownsbank fellow Linda Cracknell returns to Biggar for the launch of her novel "Call of the Undertow"

The Dukes of Uke: A Night at the Movies

Friday 01 November
Corn Exchange (2)
7.30pm (10pm)
£6

See Monday 21 October for details.

Introducing Anya

Saturday 02 November
Corn Exchange (2)
7.30pm (10.30pm)
£5

Join Anya McCullagh – one of Biggar's talented young singers – for an evening of music with a fresh and new vocal style.

Madainn Art Group Exhibition

from Saturday 12 to 27 October
Aroma Coffee Shop (14)
8am to 5pm
FREE

An exhibition of recent paintings by local artists from the Madainn Art Group. Private preview Friday 11 October.

Natural Scotland Through the Eyes of a Child

Thursday 17 to Sunday 27 October
High Street Shops
FREE

Street Gallery displaying Biggar Nursery Class and Primary School children's work based around the Year of Natural Scotland 2013. The work will show Scotland's nature, landscapes, culture and heritage as only children can see it.

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Monday 14 to Sunday 20 October
Gillespie Centre (1)
Mon to Sat 10am to 4pm Sun 12noon to 4pm
FREE

Feast your eyes on the biggART exhibition at this year's festival. There is a real treat in store for art lovers with a vast array of local artists exhibiting their work. The guest artist this year is the exceptionally talented Amy Marshall.

Autumn Exhibition

Thursday 17 to Sunday 27 October
The Gladstone Gallery (16)
Mon to Sat 10am to 5pm.
Closed Wednesday & Sunday
FREE

A mixed exhibition of works from professional artists from all over Scotland.

Exhibition of Art to be included in the Contemporary Art Auction on Thursday 24 October

Thursday 17 to Thursday 24 October
Corn Exchange (2)
Mon – Fri 10am to 4pm
Saturday 10am to 5pm
FREE

This is an exhibition of original art that will be included in an auction on Thursday evening 27th October. It will be an auction of contemporary art by both local and national artists. Hosted by the Art gallery at the Corn Exchange all art will be auctioned by McTear's Auctioneers of Glasgow (No reserve prices). All art will be original pieces carefully selected to ensure high quality. Places for the auction are limited so book your seat early. All art, jewellery, woodwork and ceramics to be auctioned will be on display in the Gallery from Monday 17th . Sealed bids will also be accepted from this date.

Art Exhibition by local Rag Rug Artist Karen Kelly

Thursday 17 to Sunday 27 October
heART & Home (13)
Mon to Sat 9.30am to 5.30pm
FREE

Exhibition of artwork by local crafter Karen Kelly.

Art Exhibition by Biggar High School Students

Thursday 17 to Monday 28 October
Mon, Fri, Sat 9.30pm – 4pm, Tue & Thur 3pm to 8pm.
Biggar Public Library (18)
FREE

An exhibition of art work by the talented senior students at Biggar High School.

African Art Exhibition

Thursday 17 to Sunday 27 October
Daisy Frame Picture Framers (21)
10am to 2pm daily'
FREE

An exhibition of African Art and African influenced art.
We look forward to welcoming you to what promises to be a very colourful and unique exhibition. Paintings by local artist's Kirsten Harris and Angela Jamieson. Kirsten has travelled extensively in Southern Africa where she came into close contact with wild animals which formed the subject of a series of large expressive paintings. Angela specialises in animal paintings and many have a strong African influence. Ceramics, woodwork and paper craft imported directly from African craftsmen.

Every visitor to be included in a free raffle prize draw for a piece of African Art.

Medwyn Art Group Exhibition

Friday 18 to Monday 21 and Friday 25 to Sunday 27 October
Masonic Hall (23)
11am to 5pm
FREE

A little bit of art for a big festival! Something for everyone.

Trout at Transition Art Exhibition

Thursday 17 to Sunday 27 October
Biggar Public Library (18)
FREE

Trout at Transition is a collaboration between pupils from the Biggar High School learning community, the Clyde River Foundation and artist Holly Keasey. The project began with children raising brown trout in the classroom and they have continued to explore the river environment both scientifically and creatively.