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Yn Chruinnaght 10-18 July ~provisional programme~

Jesarn 10 Saturday

7.30pm Cuirree kiaulee yn Aegid - Youth Concert,
Scoill Ree Gorree, Ramsey **FREE**

Jedoonee 11 Sunday

2pm Giense 'sy Phairk - Party in the Park, Mooragh
Park Bandstand

8pm Fest-noz and giense (Breton and Manx
dance night) with Duo Robic/Guillarme and The
Reeling Stones, Masonic Hall, Douglas **£6/4**

Jelune 12 Monday

8pm Kiaull Oor Noa! - Fresh New Music!
Freemason's Hall, Ramsey **FREE**

Jemayrt 13 Tuesday

7.30pm Leaght Ian O'Laoighire - Ian O'Leary
Lecture - given by Bob Carswell
2010 is the 250th anniversary of the Thurot and
Elliot sea battle off Jurby Head. Hear all about it at
the Town Hall, Ramsey **FREE**

9pm Blayst Varrey - The Tang of the Sea
Songs of the sea come-all-ye night led by John
Kaneen, Britannia Hotel, Ramsey **FREE**

Jecrean 14 Wednesday

7.30pm Kiaulleeaght 'sy Voir Agglish - Music in the
Cathedral with Welsh artists Harriet Earis (harp)
and Ian Wyn Rowlands (guitar and vocal),
plus Manx music and song from Cliogaree Twoaie
(choir) and David Kilgallon (organ),
St German's Cathedral, Peel **FREE**

Jerdein 15 Thursday

8pm The Red Hot Chilli Pipers & The Mollag Band,
Villa Marina, Douglas www.villagaiety.com **£12.50**

Jeheiney 16 Friday

12noon Food and Folk, The Creek, Peel

7pm Keirdleeyn Chengey (Language Workshops),
Atholl Rm, Centenary Centre, Peel

8pm Nos lowen & ceili Cornish & Manx dance night
featuring Dalla, Grainne Joughin, Malcolm Stitt &
Jamie Smith, Corrin Hall, Peel **£6/4**

Jesarn 17 Saturday

12noon Food and Folk, The Creek, Peel

2-4pm Kiaull 'sy Straid - Music in the Street.
Busking round Peel with Bree.

8pm Emily Smith in concert **£12/7**
Talented Scottish singer-songwriter, Emily Smith

with Jamie
MacClennan
and support
from Dalla and
Whistle in the
Dark, Centenary
Centre, Peel



Jedoonee 18 Sunday

2pm Keirdlann -
Welsh Dance
Workshop led
by Grainne
Joughin,
Centenary
Centre, Peel

8pm Beoga! **£12/7**
Northern Irish based band Beoga are well
known throughout the world for their high octane
playing and sense of fun. They will be joined by
a host of Manx fiddlers and singers, Centenary
Centre, Peel for the last night of Yn Chruinnaght.

*Tickets available mid June from usual Centenary
Centre outlets or contact 07624 425957 or
ynchruinnaght@manx.net*

www.ynchruinnaght.com



Manx Folk Dance Society visit to Ladies' Mockbeggar Morris Side of Clog Dancers, Wirral, Friday 30th April to Monday 3rd May 2010

Taking a break from their fund raising activities, to raise money to hold an International Dance Festival on the Isle of Man during August next year, on the evening of Friday 30th April, 13 members of the Manx Folk Dance Society travelled to Liverpool by sea or air, to be met by some of their hosts from the Ladies' Mockbeggar Morris Side of Clog Dancers, before being taken for a meal at the Farmers Arms, Frankby.

At 4.45am on Saturday 1st May, the now 18 members of the Manx Folk Dance Society (Norma & Dave joined them with their camper van, and the Evans family arrived in the early hours from the late night sailing to Heysham) gathered at Thor's Stone, Thurstaston Hill, with the Mersey Morris Men and the Mockbeggar dancers to dance and see-in the May Day dawn. Luckily the weather was kind (although a little chilly) and there was a wonderful sunrise!

At 6.30am a welcome breakfast was provided at GJ's Coffee Shop at Thurstaston Visitors Centre.

After a quick visit back to their hosts' houses, the 3 groups went to dance at 10.30am for some of the children at Claire House Children's Hospice, Clatterbridge Hospital. They danced outside and a couple of the visiting siblings were enticed in to join the Morris Men.

It was then on to Birkenhead Park, which was celebrating the reopening of the Main Gates. The 3 Groups danced once before lunch and again afterward to an appreciative audience by Main Gates and briefly outside the Cafe after their picnic lunch at Cafe. Then it was time to go home and relax for a short time before attending an informal Ceilidh Evening in Heswall. The Manx Dancers and Musicians were each given a mug celebrating the visit to Mockbeggar Clog Dancers for the May Weekend and they reciprocated with a DVD and IOM Book featuring a photograph of the Manx Folk Dance Society. Luckily the only rain came when they were dancing INSIDE the Hall!!

After a good night's rest everyone met at the Boat Museum, Ellesmere Port at 11am on Sunday 2nd May, to dance by the Canal - unfortunately the weather was cold and grey, with a biting NE wind, so after frequent breaks to get warm again, the dancers moved in to the education room for a wonderful picnic lunch, when small gift were presented to the Manx Folk Dance Society musicians in appreciation from the dancers - including a small 'shivering penguin' each as a reminder of the day!! It was decided to continue the dancing inside - to a much bigger - and warmer!-



audience. The displays finished with the Manx dancers performing the 'train dance' when all their dancers, as well as the dancers from the other 2 groups joining them on the "train" for the final bow!! Then it was home for a meal before meeting later at the White Lion Pub in West Kirby for a final full get-together.

Monday 3rd May was free for shopping and or sightseeing, although some people followed the Mersey Morris Men, who were dancing at The White Lion, Childer Thornton, then at The Nag's Head, Willaston and finishing at The Pollard Inn, Willaston. Most of the Manx Folk Dance Society then left by sea or air for home - tired but happy after a very enjoyable weekend with long established dancing friends. *Joan Cowell*



Perree Bane's dancers fly out to Steenvoorde in spite of ash-clouds! *John Dowling reports...*

Held in the small Southern Flanders town of Steenvoorde, the Inter-Celtic festival to which Perree Bane was invited was a great success.

The whole issue was in flux until late in the week, when the ash-cloud reduced enough to allow the 'planes to fly; the "roadies" of John and Jenny Dowling and Brian Caine had already left with the van full of costumes etc. However, all arrived safely, and were whisked away by their hosts to be quite royally entertained, a pattern that continued throughout the weekend.

Our first task was a dance workshop with some enthusiastic participants, then some dancing in the square (it was hot!), followed by a grand evening concert in the local sports hall, seating more than 1200 people! Carol's wizardry produced a 26-minute choreographed display that brought sustained applause; as usual, after all the birth-pangs and practices on Vicki's and John's dance-floor (!), it went extremely well on the night.



Sunday morning dawned with more dancing in the Square, then all the groups were invited to a reception with Monsieur Le Maire, and gifts were exchanged; each group did an impromptu dance and there were snacks and drinks. We were fed and watered extremely well, with free beer tokens and sumptuous buffets, champagne flowing like water at the house of one of our hosts!

Lunch, then the Grand Parade; the local Giants came out at the head, and there were some remarkable participants - superb Belgian pipe bands, the local motorcycle club doing a William Wallace complete with catapult, the "Little people of the Forest" resplendent in fluorescent green tights and big curly wigs (we never did find out what they were all about) and the Widders Border Morris doing what they do best with big sticks.

We already knew the route was about 2 miles around the town, so said to the organizers we'd dance whenever there was a crowd, as NO-ONE can dance for 2 miles. However, thousands of people came into town for the jollifications, and so there

were crowds nearly all the way round. I don't know how many dances we did, but it was a lot, Jenny as flag-holder spelling one or two of the ladies who wilted a little in the heat. Came the main square and the crowds were 6-deep, so the last reserves were dredged up for a final Eunysagh Vona and finally we could sit down for a cool (excellent Belgian) beer in the hall in town, a last superb buffet and winding down after a busy weekend, chatting with other group members and being invited by the Widders to their festival next year. Costumes packed away in the van, a last farewell and the van set off for Dunkerque the next morning, the aeronauts having already left very early for Brussels airport. A wonderful festival, well-organised by Lucie and her team and we were overwhelmed by the generous hospitality of our French hosts. Thanks to Tom, Paul, Caz and Brian who did a sterling job for us as musicians. Would we go again? D'accord!





CRUINNAGHT AEG SECONDARY GROUPS CONCERT-COMPETITIONS A GREAT SUCCESS!

Just some of the photos from the two excellent evenings of music and dance which started the Cruinnagh Aeg youth competitions off so well last month. Organised by Fiona McArdle for the Dept of Education & Children, trophies were provided by MNH and prize money by MHF. Kensington Road Youth Centre proved a wonderful venue and David Kilgallon and Ruth Blindell great adjudicators. Thanks go to Fiona McArdle for all of her work in organising the competitions. Cruinnagh Aeg will continue through late June and July. Email: [fmcardle\(AT\)manx.net](mailto:fmcardle(AT)manx.net) for more details.



*Photos (clockwise from top left):
Fiona McArdle,
Ny Fennee, Bee
er dty Hwoaie,
Scammyltagh
(Bree) and all dance
winners*



~ SESSIONS ~

THURS 9pm Singing session at The Brit, Ramsey

FRI 8pm Tynwald Inn, St. Johns

FRI 9pm Irish at The Mitre, Ramsey

First FRI of month, 8pm, Peel Golf Club Centenary Room

Last FRI of month 9pm, Kiaull as Gaelg, Albert, Port St Mary

SAT 10pm Manx at The White House, Peel

In 2011, to celebrate their 60th Anniversary, the Manx Folk Dance Society (MFDS) is organising an International Dance Festival on the Island, based at King William's College (KWC) in Castletown. They are inviting 10 members from 10 different groups that they have had exchanges with over the years, making 100 participants, if they all come: Sunnerbogillet from Ljungby, Visby Folkdansgille from Gotland, and Hembygdsgillet from Malmö, all based in Sweden, Gjesdalringen based near Stavanger, Norway and Volkstanzguppe Besse from Edermunde-Besse Germany. Then, from the UK, the Heart of Oak Morris Men from Uttoxeter, the Chase Dancers based in Stafford, the Wayfarers from Birmingham and the Mersey Morris Men and Mockbeggar Ladies Clog Morris based on the Wirral.

It is hoped that Manx groups will also get involve Bock Yuan Fannee, Ny Fennee and Perree Bane have been asked. If there is anyone interested else please contact us at : mfds@manx.net

Provision is being made for the invited groups to be guests of MFDS, who will hopefully provide accommodation at KWC, food and transport

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

Thursday 11th August 2011

Arrival of Participants followed by an Evening Parade, Opening Ceremony & Welcome in Castletown

Friday 12th August 2011

Morning & afternoon dance displays Castletown and Port Erin. Then a Social Evening at King William's College (KWC), Castletown

Saturday August 13th 2011

Daytime Rehearsal followed by Evening Concert in Villa Marina Royal Hall, Douglas, by guest groups and MFDS only. Tickets will be on sale.

Sunday August 14th 2011

Church Service at KWC. Free afternoon, then a Manx Evening for participants at KWC - entertainment by a variety of Manx groups.

Monday August 15th 2011

Morning & afternoon dance displays Ramsey and Peel. Then a Social Evening with MFDS members only at KWC

Tuesday August 16th 2011

Groups depart

international folk dance festival



isle of man

11-16 august

for them. As you may imagine this is a costly undertaking and MFDS are very busy fund raising at the moment. With the help of the Manx Heritage Foundation they have almost raised half of the monies they need - but there is still along way to go!

If you feel you would like to support their venture financially in some way - by making a donation (no matter how small), organising a fund raising event for them or by supporting MFDS Stalls, Coffee Mornings etc., the Manx Folk Dance Society WOULD BE VERY GRATEFUL!! Again please contact us on mfds@manx.net

PAUL AND KEN HAVE
UPLOADED A NEW SONG
'MANANNAN'S ROAD' TO
YOUTUBE:

[WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/
WATCH?V=KOATRQZFLLK](http://WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/WATCH?V=KOATRQZFLLK)

TRANSCRIPTION OF THE MONTH

see www.manxheritagemusic.org for more printable pieces of Manx music

Yn Manninagh Maynrey

Daniel Quayle

Bree 24 - 25 Oct 2009



The Happy Manxman - a lovely tune by talented keyboard player, singer and Manx speaker, Daniel Quayle, written at the Bree trad music weekend last October.

IOM ARTS COUNCIL MANX MUSIC SUMMER SEASON Provisional Dates

JULY

1st - Perree Bane / Christa McCartney / The Reeling Stones
8th - Manx Folk Dance Society / The Mollag Band / The Bugganes
15th - Yn Chruinnaght Week - Red Hot Chilli Pipers in the Villa Marina
22nd - Mactullagh Vannin / Christa McCartney / Bock Yuan Fannee
29th - Ellan Vannin Pipes & Drums / MFDS

AUGUST

5th - Cliogaree Twoaie / Paul & Ken / Matt Kelly duo
12th - Cliogaree Twoaie / Matt Kelly duo
19th - Perree Bane / EVPD / The Reeling Stones
26th - Staa / EVPD / King Chiallee



see www.iomarts.com
for full details

Yn Chruinnaght Educational Tour during National Week in conjunction with the Dept of Education and Children

Nish as Rish (Manx for 'now and again') are a folk group from York University Music Department who specialise in Manx, Irish and Scottish music. The five members are Ruth Keggins who sings and plays flute and whistle; Karl Kramer on mandolin and bodhran; Anna Goldbeck-Wood on fiddle; Dave Pearce on guitar and Vanessa McWilliam on the double bass. Ruth and Karl are both from the Isle of Man and are regular faces on the Manx music scene. As this year's Yn Chruinnaght educational outreach group, the students will be performing in various primary schools during National Week and lead workshops for young Manx musicians. They will finish their tour by headlining the Yn Chruinnaght opening concert on Saturday 10th July at Scoill Ree Gorree.

**For more information about
Yn Chruinnaght see:
www.ynchruinnaght.com**



BRECK at Speyfest 27th July 2010

Breck - the new name for Kirsty and Katie Lawrence together with Andy Walker - will support Dick Gaughan In Session at this year's Speyfest. Taking place at the Fochabers Insitute in Fochabers (Morayshire, Scotland) at 8pm, tickets are only £8, bookable online from thebooth.co.uk

Breck first featured on the Danny Kyle open stage at Celtic Connections earlier this year. The band combines fiddle, keyboard, guitar, cello and whistles to play a mix of original and traditional Manx music with a good dose of Irish and Scottish thrown in.

Speyfest 2010 will also feature Michael McGoldrick, Calum Stewart and Heikki Bourgault, Karen Matheson, The Red Hot Chilli Pipers, The Fochabers Fiddlers and Hayseed Dixie!
www.speyfest.com



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Once you've signed up, we'll be able to let you know about gigs, displays, lectures, food & folk sessions, workshops as well as info about visiting artists. You'll also be the first to hear when tickets go on sale and when tickets are running low.

Sign up now! Email your name and mobile phone number to:
ynchruinnacht@manx.net



Department of Culture, Community & Leisure for an evening of bagrock with the infamous **RED HOT CHILLI PIPERS**



Since performing with The Darkness on T in the Park's legendary Main Stage in 2004 and walking away with the top prize on UK primetime TV talent show, 'When Will I Be Famous' in 2007, the Red Hot Chilli Pipers haven't stopped for a breath, other than to inflate their bagpipes!

The band features Stuart Cassells (BBC Radio Scotland Young Trad Musician of the Year 2005), a twice world champion snare drummer and three recent graduates from the RSAMD, the musicianship is first class. Taking their signature 'bag rock' to the masses, The Chillies have fast become a global phenomenon, rocking far flung shores from Bangkok to New York and everywhere in between. Putting a modern spin on incredible piping and astounding drumming with an emphasis on showing off and putting on a show guaranteed to amaze any audience; Featuring the classic Red Hot Chilli Pipers sound - a fusion of traditional pipe tunes and contemporary anthems - 'Bagrock' includes the likes of 'Clocks' by Coldplay, Queen's 'We Will Rock You' and a rock medley of Deep Purple's 'Smoke On The Water' and AC/DC's 'Thunderstruck'.

Catch the RHCP with support from The Mollag Band at the Villa on Thursday 15th July 8pm £12.50. Book online: www.villagaiety.com

KMU wishes The Ballaghs the most fantastical of trips down The Rabbit Hole (stage) at Glastonbury next month:

www.myspace.com/rabbithole1

www.glastonburyfestivals.co.uk/

The Reeling Stones on YouTube:

<http://www.youtube.com/user/thereelingstones#p/a/u/0/br-etqzngM>

CALENDAR

June

1st-29th Brass Bands Summer Season, Villa Arcade, Douglas, Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8pm and Sundays at 3pm

4th 1st Friday Folk Club, Peel Golf Club, 8pm

16th Caarjyn Coidjagh at St Catherine's Church, Port Erin, 8pm

18th-20th IOM Bay Festival bayfestival.im

19th Bree trad music youth session, Greens, Douglas, 3pm

19th June - 3rd July Mananan International Festival of Music and the Arts. For more details: www.erinartscentre.com

20th FINAL of Young Singer of Mann, Erin Arts Centre, Port Erin 2pm

24th Laa Columb Killey, from 2pm plus ceili in the evening from 9pm www.arbory.org

26th Children in Song (Douglas Buxton Trust) concert with premiere of The New Chronicles of Mann, a specially commissioned work by Lin Marsh., Villa Marina, Douglas, 7pm see <http://www.gov.im/lib/news/education/primarypupilswil.xml> for more details

29th June - 1st July Cruinnaght Aeg South competitions - for more details contact: fmcandle@manx.net

July

1st, 8th, 22nd & 29th IOM Arts Council Manx Music Season at the Villa Arcade, Douglas, 8pm FREE www.iomarts.com

5th Manx musicians and dancers at Tynwald Fair, St Johns *throughout the day*

6th-9th Yn Chruinnaght & Dept of Education and Children schools tour

7th Ny Fennee musicians playing at 'Hike and Hot-dogs' at the Albert Tower for Ramsey's

National Week, prob 7pm. See www.ramseynationalweek.com for details

10th-18th Yn Chruinnaght Inter-Celtic Festival www.ynchruinnaght.com

10th Young People's Concert, Scoill Ree Gorree, 7.30pm FREE

11th Music and dance displays in the Mooragh Park, from 2.30pm FREE

11th Fest noz (Breton dancing) with Duo Robic/Guillarme, Masonic Hall, Douglas, 8pm

12th Kiaull Oor Noa - new music and dance night, Masonic Hall, Ramsey, 8pm

13th Singing session (sea shanties particularly welcome) after lecture, Brit, Ramsey, 9ish

14th Harriet Earis (harp) and Ian Wyn Rowlands (guitar and voice) with support from Cliogaree Twoaie, St German's Cathedral, Peel, 7.30pm FREE

15th Dept CCL gig in association with YnC: Red Hot Chilli Pipers with The Mollag Band in support, Villa Marina, 8pm £12.50 tickets from: www.villagaiety.com

16th Nos Lowen with Dalla, Grainne, Jamie & Malcolm, Corrin Hall, Peel, 8pm £6/4

17th Bree busking around Peel for National Autistic Society, meet Centenary Centre 2pm

17th Emily Smith with Dalla and Whistle in the Dark, Centenary Centre, Peel, 8pm £12/7

18th Beoga with Manx fiddlers and singers, Centenary Centre, Peel, 8pm £12/7

16th Manx music at Port Erin Regatta, outside the Bay Hotel, Port Erin from 7pm

August

1st Manx music and dance - various groups - at Peel Carnival, on the prom, Peel.

5th, 12th, 19th & 26th IOM Arts Council Manx Music Season at the Villa Arcade, Douglas, 8pm FREE www.iomarts.com

Please send in any dates for the months ahead so that we can publicise events here & online

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