



Showcasing the best of Dumfries and Galloway's Environment

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11am Sustainable Tourism in Dumfries and Galloway – what does it mean and what does it look like? With Barney Fryer from the Loch Ken Trust

Can Dumfries and Galloway be a real leader in Sustainable Tourism? Here's how you can play your part. Join Barney Fryer, Loch Ken Alive officer, to learn about how tourism has to change to be part of a sustainable future. Is the era of cheap flights coming to an end? What technologies are going to change the way we go on holiday? Dumfries and Galloway is just the right place to attract tourists with a sustainable agenda.

11:50pm Using the Biosphere Brand for Sustainable Tourism with Melanie Allan from NithBank

How is our Biosphere helping to shape tourism today? With evidence showing that today's consumers are becoming more discerning about selecting products and services that can demonstrate positive sustainability credentials, we discuss the Biosphere Certification and Proud Supporter schemes and how they offer a real opportunity to show how much we value our local environment, communities and other local businesses.

12:40pm Summer Coastal Foraging with Mark Williams from Galloway Wild Foods

As the vibrant wild greens of spring pass their prime, foragers start to turn their appetites towards the rich variety of tasty, nutritious, succulent plants of summer coasts. Join foraging teacher Mark Williams of Galloway Wild Foods for an exploration of these abundant and deeply delicious plants and learn how to use them in wild sushi. Mark can answer your foraging questions too

1:30pm Science in the Garden with Lusi Alderslowe from Children in Permaculture

Learn some fun ways of doing science in the garden! We will discuss the benefits of being outdoors including some useful scientific research demonstrating these benefits and the very useful resources which can help you created by the children in permaculture project.

2.20pm Discover, Explore, Conserve and Share - Using the John Muir Award in Outdoor Learning Helen Keron and Mary Smith representing the Galloway Glens Partnership Scheme

Join Mary and Helen for a discussion about the four Challenges that lie at the heart of the John Muir Award scheme – Discovering a wild place, Exploring it, Conserving it and Sharing it. The Galloway Glens outdoor weeks last year, 'Go Wild', will be used as a case study for how the Award can add structure to an outdoor learning programme, and there will be plenty of ideas for how you could incorporate the Award into your teaching or family.

3:10pm Our Virtual Campfire - How Do Dark Skies Affect Us? With Natalie Marr Phd Student from the University of Glasgow School of Geographical and Earth Sciences

Gather round the virtual campfire where we will share our stories and experiences of being out at night. Explore what darkness and dark skies mean to us, whether you live in a Dark Sky Park or Dark Sky Community, a rural or urban environment. Does our relationship to our landscape change when there is a clear night sky? How does the Galloway Forest Dark Sky Park inspire us? How do darkness and twilight shift our relationship to the environment? There will be time to listen, to discuss and to share.

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