

Aberlady All Eras

11am – 5pm, Saturday 29th September, 2018

Aberlady Church of Scotland

The church will be open and welcoming visitors all day and there will be guided tours of the church available on the hour and on the half hour from 11am with the last guided tour at 3.30pm.

The **Kirk Stables** will be open and providing **refreshments between 11am – 3.30pm** with proceeds going to church funds. You can also collect children's village trail sheets from the Kirk Stables.

Meet at the **Kirk Stables** for the Village Walking Tour – 1pm – Ian Malcolm, Aberlady Historical Society, will lead a guided tour of the main historic buildings and monuments of the village. Booking essential, as the group is limited to twelve persons. To book your place please email aberladyalleras@gmail.com

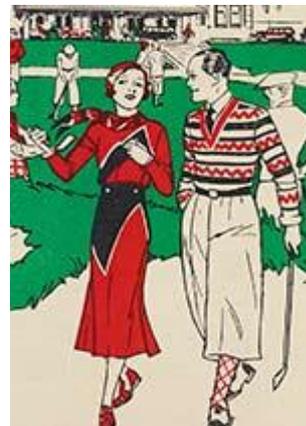
Aberlady Primary School Room 1 All Era Talks

12pm Football and Golf in the National Library of Scotland Collections

Scots have played a key role in the history and development of many sports. Scotland is considered the home of golf, and the origins of the modern game can be traced back to the 15th century. You can find nearly 4,000 books about golf in the NLS collections ranging from magnificent illustrated volumes on the major courses in Scotland, through to stories of local Scottish clubs and worldwide golf tournaments.

Football also has a large presence in the NLS Sport collections. All levels of the game are represented, including the Scottish Professional Football League and Highland league.

Hugh Dan McLennan, broadcaster, author and sporting academic, will take you through NLS golf and football collection highlights.



2pm Victorians in the Village Churchyard

Join Dr Susan Buckham, from Edinburgh World Heritage Graveyards Project, to get an insight into the forms and fashions of the Victorian graveyard. Susan will be using symbols and decorations from gravestone examples found in Aberlady Church's graveyard to help illustrate this session. Everyone is then encouraged to go and explore the graveyard for themselves using this new found knowledge.

3pm Sir Walter Scott & Abbotsford

Hamish Reid, from the Abbotsford House team, will take you on a journey through the life and family, literary career, construction of Abbotsford, financial problems and final days of one of Scotland's most iconic writer's and renowned Georgian characters.

4pm Secret World of Children's Books - Victorian Collections, Museum of Childhood

Join Sarah Dunnigan, University of Edinburgh, and some of the team from Scotland's Early Literature for Children Initiative (@_SELCIE_) to hear how they've explored 15,000 books in archives to create a fascinating insight into the familiar and surprising stories children have been reading for over 200 years.



Aberlady Primary School **Room 2** **All Era Drop-in / Workshops**

12pm/12.30pm/1pm/1.30pm Testing Times: Mini Challenge

Do you think school tests have changed over the decades? Do you believe it was more difficult in 'your day'? Why don't you take our 20 minute challenge to see how many questions you can get through and how many answers you can get correct from a special short test we have brought together from school tests over the decades!

2-2.30pm & 2.30-3pm Seaside, Stories and Stevenson

This family workshop, delivered by the great team from the Coastal Communities Museum, North Berwick, will explore the stories of Robert Louis Stevenson, through poetry and storytelling. R.L.Stevenson spent many of his childhood summers on the East Lothian coast, no doubt providing inspiration for Treasure Island and Kidnapped.

3.15 – 3.45pm

Family Workshop - Design your own Coat of Arms

4pm 'Aberlady Angles: Exploring Aberlady's Anglo-Saxon Past'

Andy Heald, Managing Director of AOC Archaeology Group, will provide an overview of the findings from the highly successful 'Aberlady Angles' project. On the basis of the findings Dr Alex Woolf, Senior Lecturer at the University of St Andrews, is certain that modern day Aberlady is the lost Anglo-Saxon monastic settlement of Pefferham

The Ducks 7pm **Georgian Era: Dining with a Difference** **Ticket Price £30-35**

This will be an evening to remember! A partnership of cuisine and costumes from the Georgian Era. John Paul McLachlan, Head Chef at Ducks, has joined creative forces with the young heritage costumes company, 'Mesdame de l'histoire', to develop a bespoke event for 'Aberlady All Eras'.

Expect a fantastic three-course menu influenced by favoured ingredients from the late 1700's and, between courses, dinner guests will enjoy a promenade display and commentary of fashions from the Georgian and Regency periods.

Book your seat at the table by contacting Duck's Hotel - 01875 870 682 or email info@ducks.co.uk



Sew and Stitch **Wartime** Drop-In activity

10am – 4pm Aberlady Poppy Wall - Meet theMakers

Drop-in to Sew & Stitches at the Bakehouse Tearoom, see the work in progress on the installation of the Aberlady Poppy Wall and meet the wonderfully creative and talented craft ladies responsible.

The Village Hall **Wartime**

12pm Military Ancestry Workshop

Have you ever wondered what part your family may have played in military history? Not sure where to start the search for information? In this workshop, Sue Healy will share some tips and ideas on how to approach researching this aspect of your family heritage.

1pm Heavy Horses: On the Farm & on the Front

These gentle giants were once a familiar sight in every town and village in the country, as they managed the land by pulling drays and ploughing the fields. The decline began during World War One, when thousands of heavy horses died whilst hauling heavy artillery into the trenches. Numbers steadily increased during the period in-between the World Wars, only to steeply drop after the introduction of tractors embraced industrialization with the mechanization of transport, agriculture and industry, there was consequently no need to keep them. Join Gillian Chapman, creator of the Royal Highland Agricultural Society's 'Work & War Horses' exhibition to learn more.

3pm Wartime Swing Dance Session

Step right back to the 1940s under the energetic and enthusiastic support of the brilliant Edinbop team! Make sure you have your dancing shoes on and you will be in the swing in no time!



4pm All Eras Pop-up Photobooth

'Mesdames de l'histoire' will be 'popping up' a historic costume photo-booth so why don't you drop in, see how you would have looked in a different era and go home with a photographic memento of the day.

Food and drink in the village: Aberlady has wonderful options for getting lunch, dinner or snacks. These include The Bakehouse Tearoom, Ducks, Old Aberlady Inn, Grace of India, Gosford Bothy and Craighielaw Golf Club.

ALL DAYTIME EVENTS ARE FREE!

The Aberlady All Eras Festival committee are extremely grateful to Aberlady Community Council for their funding support and to Rettie & Co. for sponsoring the heritage day.

To book a place for any of the events please email

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