

20 - 27 MAY 2023

Come and celebrate the best of Ballyclare as the annual May Fair returns from 20 - 27 May! Come together with your families and friends and enjoy the Funfair, Coronation Street Party, Family Fun Day, It's a Knockout, Music and Fireworks.

Foodies will be in their element with An Ulster Scotch History of Whisk(e)y, Artisan Market as well as Cooking and Crack with Paula McIntyre.

Culture lovers will aprreciate the Ulster-Scots Language Workshops and Cèlidh, Craft Demos and Historical Walking Tours.

With a Vintage Car Show, Soap Box Derby and Mayor's Parade - this event truly has something for everyone!





PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

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Saturday 20 May to Monday 22 May

Tuesday 23 May to Thursday 25 May

Friday 26 May to Saturday 27 May

Map of Ballyclare

Feature Events

Sponsors

SATURDAY 20 MAY			
10am	Opening of May Fair History Exhibition	BALLYCLARE LIBRARY	
10am-2pm	Vintage Tractor Gathering	THE SQUARE	
10am-4pm	Farmers Market	TOWN HALL CAR PARK	
12pm	Ulster-Scots Walking Tour	TOWN CENTRE	
12pm	Darts Competition	THE SPORTSMAN'S INN	
12pm-2pm	Parkview Hockey Club Mixed Grass Tournament	PARKVIEW HOCKEY CLUB	
12pm-4pm	Busking & Street Entertainment	TOWN CENTRE	
2pm-4pm	Allegheny Uprising (The First Rebel) Film Screening with Pre-Show Talk by the Ulster-Scots Agency	TOWN HALL	
6pm - 11.30pm	Live Music and Events	ROYAL BRITISH LEGION, THE SPORTSMAN'S INN & THE GRANGE BAR	
7pm-9pm	Cooking and Crack with Paula McIntyre (£2 Ticket)	TOWN HALL	
SUNDAY 21 MAY			
2pm	Sausage Dog Parade by the NI Dachshund Lovers	TOWN HALL	
5pm-7pm	Songs of Praise: the Ulster-Scots Tradition of Hymn-Writing	BALLYCLARE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH	
MONDAY 22 MAY			
9.30am	May Fair Exhibition	BALLYCLARE LIBRARY	
10am-11am	Ulster-Scots Language Workshop for Schools	ORANGE HALL	
11am-12pm	Ulster-Scots Highland Dancing for Schools	ORANGE HALL	
10am-11am & 12pm-1pm	Baby Rave	TOWN HALL	
2pm-4pm	Family History Workshop	TOWN HALL BALLYCLARE LIBRARY	
7pm-10pm	Rhymes and Ructions with Jack McKinney (£6 ticket)	TOWN HALL	

	TUESDAY 23 MAY		
11am-4pm	Family History Day with DNA Consultations	TOWN HALL	
11am-5pm	Craft Demonstrations	THE SQUARE	
11am-6pm	Artisan Market	THE SQUARE	
12pm	Amusements	HARRIER WAY AND SIXMILE	
12.30pm	May Fair Exhibition	BALLYCLARE LIBRARY	
12pm-4pm	Coronation Street Party	MAIN STREET	
12pm-5pm	Horse Fair	REA'S YARD	
1pm-3pm	Hugo Duncan Show	THE SQUARE	
1pm-5pm	Sensory Kids NI	BALLYCLARE LIBRARY	
3pm-5pm	Live Music and Entertainment	THE SQUARE	
4pm-7pm	Live Music and Events	ROYAL BRITISH LEGION, THE SPORTSMAN'S INN & THE GRANGE BAR	
7pm	Emergency Services Demo	ASDA CAR PARK	
7pm-9pm	Ulster Scots Cèilidh (£2 Ticket)	TOWN HALL	
WEDNESDAY 24 MAY			
9.30am	May Fair Exhibition	BALLYCLARE LIBRARY	
llam-lpm	Ballyclare Historical Society History Talk	TOWN HALL	
1.30pm- 2.30pm	Ulster-Scots Storytelling for Primary Schools	ORANGE HALL	
2pm-3pm	An Afternoon of Stories and Songs with Colin Urwin	BALLYCLARE LIBRARY	
6pm	Pet Show (£1 Entry)	CENTENARY WAY	
7pm	Half Price Amusements	HARRIER WAY AND SIXMILE	
7pm-9.30pn	n Music from around the Borough	TOWN HALL	
THURSDAY 25 MAY			
12.30pm	May Fair Exhibition	BALLYCLARE LIBRARY	
2pm-5pm	Coronation Tea Dance, Music by Sam Stewart (£3 Ticket)	TOWN HALL 💠	
6.30pm	The Soap Box Derby (£20 entry - online booking essential)	BALLYEASTON ROAD	
7pm	Amusements	HARRIER WAY AND SIXMILE	

FRIDAY 26 MAY			
9.30am	May Fair Exhibition	BALLYCLARE LIBRARY	
12pm	Ulster Scots Walking Tour of Ballyclare's Churches	TOWN CENTRE 🔷	
6pm-9pm	Town Market	TOWN HALL CAR PARK	
6pm-8pm	It's a Knockout	PITCH 2, SIXMILE LEISURE CENTRE	
7pm	Amusements	HARRIER WAY AND SIXMILE	
7.30pm	Table Quiz (£5 entry-tables of six)	ROYAL BRITISH LEGION	
8pm-10pm	An Ulster/Scotch History of Whisk(e)y (£12.50 Ticket)	TOWN HALL	
SATURDAY 27 MAY			
9.30am	May Fair Exhibition	BALLYCLARE LIBRARY	
10am-2pm	Car Show (£5 per car - online booking essential)	REA'S YARD	
10am	Country Antrim Harriers 10k and 5k Fun Run	BALLYCLARE RUGBY CLUB	
11am-12pm & 1pm-2pm	Baby Rave	TOWN HALL	
12pm-8pm	Town Market	TOWN HALL / THE SQUARE CAR PARK	
12pm	Amusements	HARRIER WAY AND SIXMILE	
1pm-2pm	The Mayor's Parade	MAIN STREET	
2pm-5pm	Family Fun Day	WAR MEMORIAL PARK	
2pm-6pm	Afternoon Entertainment	THE SQUARE	
2.30pm	East Antrim Harriers Duck Race	THE BRIDGE	
7pm-10pm	Evening Concert	THE SQUARE	
10pm	Firework display	TOWN CENTRE	
6pm - 11.30pm	Live Music and Events	ROYAL BRITISH LEGION, THE SPORTSMAN'S INN & THE GRANGE BAR	

Booking is essential:





For tickets, bookings, road closures and car parking: antrimandnewtownabbey.gov.uk/BallyclareMayFair

BALLYCLARE TOWN CENTRE MAP

- ORANGE HALL
- 2 MAIN STREET
- 3 TOWN HALL
- 4 THE SQUARE
- 5 ASDA CAR PARK
- 6 HARRIER WAY
- ______
- 7 REA'S YARD
- 8 CENTENARY WAY

- 9 ROYAL BRITISH LEGION
- 10 WAR MEMORIAL PARK
- 1 BALLYCLARE LIBRARY
- 12 SIXMILE LEISURE CENTRE
- 13 BALLYEASTON ROAD
- 14 THE SPORTSMAN'S INN
- 15 THE GRANGE BAR
- 16 BALLYCLARE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



COOKING & CRACK WITH PAULA MCINTYRE

SATURDAY 20 MAY // TOWN HALL 7PM-9PM



Cooking demonstration and tasting. £2 per ticket - all proceeds will be donated to the Mayor's charities.

SONGS OF PRAISE:

THE ULSTER-SCOTS TRADITION OF HYMN-WRITING

SUNDAY 21 MAY // BALLYCLARE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 5PM - 7PM



Traditional hymns and hymn writing with BBC's Mark Thompson.

CORONATION STREET PARTY

TUESDAY 23 MAY // MAIN STREET 12PM - 4PM



Afternoon tea with kids entertainment including inflatables, soft play and a dance workshop.

ULSTER-SCOTS CÈILIDH

TUESDAY 23 MAY // TOWN HALL 7PM - 9PM



A traditional Ulster-Scots cèilidh with Alastair Scott band. (£2 per ticket)

THE SOAP BOX DERBY

THURSDAY 25 MAY // BALLYEASTON ROAD 6.30PM



Ballyclare's famous Soap Box Derby. Come along and support your team. (£20 per entry)

IT'S A KNOCKOUT

FRIDAY 26 MAY // SIXMILE LEISURE CENTRE 6PM - 8PM



Watch teams tackle the fun-filled games and obstacle courses.

AN ULSTER/SCOTCH HISTORY OF WHISK(E)Y

FRIDAY 26 MAY // TOWN HALL 8PM - 10PM



Hear the fascinating story of whisk(e)y from local expert Marty McAuley, while sampling four drams of some of the best tipples around. (£12.50 per ticket - over 18s only)

THE MAYOR'S PARADE

SATURDAY 27 MAY // MAIN STREET 1PM - 2PM



Local bands, dancers, pipers and schools joined by many much loved characters.

MAYFAIR BUSINESS OFFERS

The Fig Design Co.

 10% off all stock excluding fresh flowers, plants and books

The Paper Shop

- 20% off handbags and scarves
- 20% off Ashleigh & Burwood reed diffusers
- 20% off Stoneglow reed diffusers

Time Coffee House & Bistro

Sandwich and a tea or coffee for £10

A BIG THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS FOR THIS YEAR'S BALLYCLARE MAY FAIR!























