

June 2024

This month is all about the start of summer. And especially the glories of our gardens. So, if you can, get yourselves out there and enjoy all that's on offer. (But not before you've had a wee browse through our news. It's just possible there are things going on you didn't know about).

Tribute to 200 years of the RNLi at Cromarty Art & Flowers show

The poster is framed in yellow and blue. At the top, it says 'Cromarty Art & Flowers' in large blue letters. Below that, it says 'Daily from 1st to 9th June' and 'East Church, Cromarty 11am to 4pm'. A red banner highlights 'Special evening opening 6pm to 8pm Tuesday 4th June'. The text describes a display of botanical and wildlife artworks by Julie Price and floral arrangements by Evelyn Wilson, celebrating 200 years of the RNLi. It includes the RNLi 200 logo, a Facebook icon for 'Cromarty Open Gardens', and an image of yellow wellies. The bottom of the poster features a small image of a vase with flowers and a lifebuoy.

Cromarty Art & Flowers
Daily from 1st to 9th June
East Church, Cromarty 11am to 4pm
**Special evening opening 6pm to 8pm
Tuesday 4th June**

A wonderful display of detailed botanical and wildlife artworks by students of Cromarty artist Julie Price together with floral arrangements by local flower arrangers, led by Evelyn Wilson, on a nautical theme to celebrate 200 years of the **RNLi**

Admission is by donation - minimum of £1.
Some artworks will be on sale.

Lifeboats **RNLi 200**

Cromarty Open Gardens

Do make time to visit this year's Art & Flowers display that opens this Saturday 1st June and runs until Sunday 8th June – it is an outstanding display involving many hours of work for both the artists and the flower arrangers. Over 2000 blooms will be incorporated into the floral display which will feature lots of yellow wellies, blue boats and lifebuoys to mark the 200th anniversary of the RNLi.

The detailed botanical and wildlife illustrations on show are the work of 15 students who have put many hours of detailed work into their drawings. Botanical Illustration endeavours to faithfully depict and represent the form, colour, character and detail of a plant, identifiable to species or cultivar level and the wildlife works capture the distinctive features of their subjects.

This year the display will be open on the evening of Tuesday 4th June from 6pm to 8pm to enable those of you who are busy in the day to come and visit so why not pop down to Church Street to view the display and then call in at the Fishertown Inn or the Royal Hotel for a drink and maybe a bite to eat afterwards.



Preparations were well under way on Thursday with these two well kent ladies decorating the gates of East Church in the sunshine.

Help make this the best ever Cromarty Open Gardens

So that's Chelsea over for another year, all those garden ideas that you dream about . . . but don't worry, there are plenty of ideas to fire your imagination if you come to

Cromarty Open Gardens on Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th of June.

More than twenty-five gardens of all sizes and shape will be yours to wander around and find inspiration for your own home space. These are not show gardens and no one wins trophies but they are the joy of their owners who love to nurture them come whatever the weather throws at us.

Garden gates open at 11am and close at 4pm each day. Tickets are available from 'The Hub' at East Bellevue House on Church Street or from the dedicated Open Gardens car parking area on The Links. Tea and home baking will be on offer and musicians will be playing on Saturday from 12am and from 2pm on Sunday and there will be a roaming bagpiper about. The plant stall will offer a wide selection of locally grown flowers and shrubs to buy and on Saturday there is a chance to win a prize at the Tombola or to find a treasure at the Bric A Brac stand on Sunday. Please bring cash.

All this entertainment is a big fundraiser with proceeds benefiting local organisations. In 2023 a total of £6,970 was distributed between eleven beneficiaries and it is hoped to better this amount this year. Tickets are just £5 per person and valid for both days - under 12's are free.

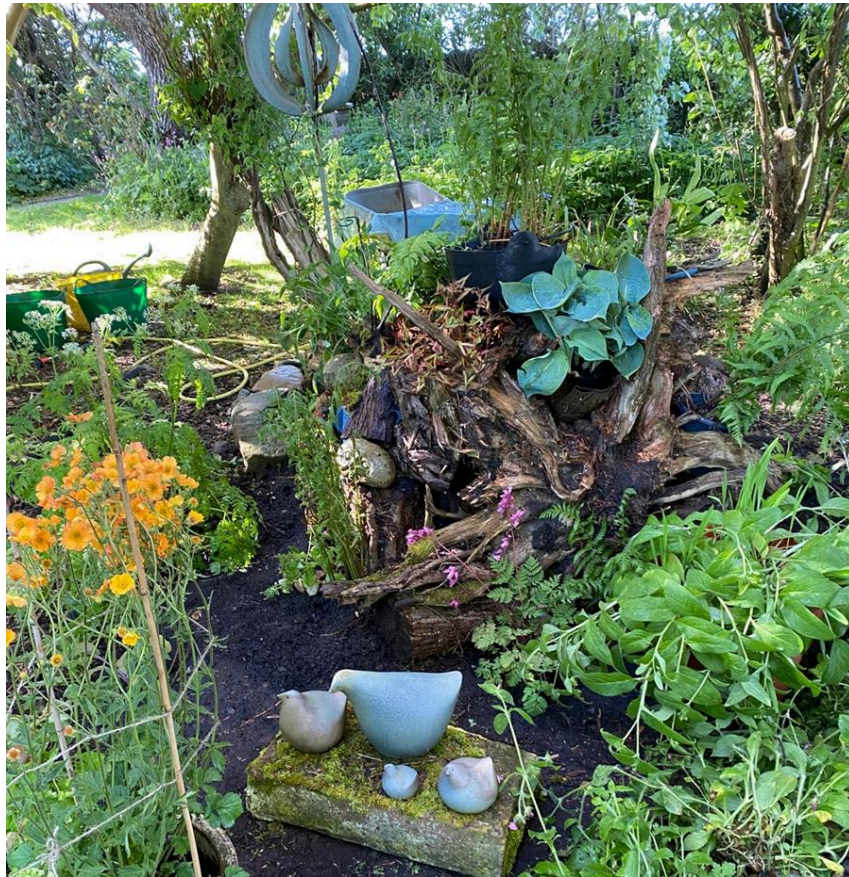
A great deal of time and effort goes into organising this event, all voluntary. Many local businesses offer valuable support, including Global Energy – Port of Nigg and Highland Broadband have agreed to support us as well this year. Thank you all very much.

So please come and support this very worthwhile event and help to make it the best Open Gardens ever.

Cromarty Open Gardens

Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th June 2024 - 11am to 4pm daily.

Tickets £5 per person, under 12's free. Valid for both days.



A few more things. . .

Any donations of small items as prizes for the Tombola would be appreciated. Please contact Alec Wilson 01381 600718

Bric-A-Brac any household or Garden items (no electrical or fabric please) contact Ginny Hourston 01381 600409

Plants – if you have any plants for our Plant Stall please could you arrange to deliver them to either Ginny Hourston 01381 600409 or Alison Palmer 01381 600466. It would be helpful if you could label them please.

Best of times + worst of times = exciting times at the Courthouse

From Arthur Bird and Liz Broumley

Events: For Open Gardens weekend the Courthouse will be hosting live music, a children's activity trail around the garden, and a community recycling craft project! If you

would like to take part please bring along a clean plastic bottle (water and juice bottles work really well).

We will be holding an exhibition of work by Georgia Macleod of Rekindled Photo Design opening on the 26th June in the Community Room. The last chance to see Jack Spowart's pen and ink landscapes will be 23rd June.

Developments: In many ways now is the best of times at the Courthouse. As well as being successful in getting funding for a museum manager, and funding to improve the working environment and shop, we have been chosen to take part in the prestigious Museum Transformer programme and we are active participants with Smartify to create a more digital museum. All this gives us a higher profile in the museum world and is opening doors to some really exciting future developments. At home we are gradually changing the museum to make it more inclusive and engaging.

We are still facing some very real challenges to the long term sustainability of the museum as we know it, made worse by the cost of living crisis. The current position may not be comfortable but it gives us an opportunity to develop a new way of working which will be sustainable in the 2020s and 2030s. We are currently working on a range of options for the future which we hope to share with you all later in the summer. Please look out for this event and come along; the museum is nothing without the Cromarty community!

Open Studios



Painting by Neil Thomson

It's that time of year again for Cromarty Open Studios which takes place on Saturday 8 and Sunday 9 June from 11.00 – 16.00 each day. Cromarty Open Gardens will also be taking place the same weekend.

Cromarty has always had a long-standing reputation for being a creative hub with talented artists and makers working alone in their studios day to day and collaborating on its annual Open Studio weekend event.

Cromarty held its first Open Studio weekend in April 2016 and since then the event has grown from strength to strength, with over 500 visitors taking a well-trodden path to Cromarty to see the wide range of quality art and contemporary craft that is on offer. Many are curious to see inside the artist studios located in Cromarty and want to find out more about the processes artists and makers use to create their beautiful work and buy direct from artists and makers. Whilst others fancy a day out to visit the studios, have a coffee or a spot of lunch, explore Cromarty or go for a walk.

This year a small selection of artists are taking part - Emma Nightingale (Glass), Jim Pennie (Woodturning) and Neil Thomson (Paintings), will be opening their studios – look for the red balloons.. All the artists look forward to the weekend and there will be a warm welcome for visitors who come to see their work and the creative environment that they work in. Two of the artists are also opening their gardens (Emma Nightingale and Neil Thomson).

Visitors to Cromarty Open studios over the last few years have said:

- **“We really enjoyed our visit, thank you for talking about your work and the processes you use – it was a fascinating experience.....”**
- **“A fantastic event, so much creativity in Cromarty and it was fascinating talking to the wide range of artists about their work as well as having the opportunity to buy direct from them”**

For more details go to facebook.com/cromartyopenstudios or contact cromartyopenstudios@gmail.com or call +44 7771 595391.

Harbour Trust

The arrival of the ferry signals the start of summer. In the nick of time, the harbour is ready to receive not only the ferry, but our leisure boat clients onto the pontoon following extensive engineering work on two of the pontoon fingers. As is the norm, the harbour will be full again this summer. You may also have noticed the odd fishing boat and occasional yacht coming into the harbour. This, plus more visits from the likes of Thalassa, are areas business we wish to see more of and to encourage.

Now that the summer season is upon us, I also take this opportunity to state that the operation of the gate during the summer months, will be the same as how it finished last September – gate open; signage to direct visitors to the outer pier. The gate will only be closed where we consider there to be an excessive risk to users and property. It is therefore reasonable to assume that the gate will remain open, in all but the most extenuating circumstances. Should it be closed, a notice will be on the news page of our website, cromartyharbour.org. Please check there first, especially if you are travelling a distance to Cromarty.

Following dialogue with The Highland Council, the Trust has applied for retrospective Listed Building Consent for the installation of the gate on the West Pier. Those wishing to comment should do so via Council's portal, the reference is 24/00352/LBC. Our volunteer group is appreciative of the support from the Community Council.

Continuing with the repair and refurbishment of the harbour remains a challenge. Revenues we receive from our clients are almost exclusively absorbed by maintenance and insurance, leaving little scope for capital spend or contingencies. Our capital works are typically financed by multiple grant funding requests and fundraising via Friends of Cromarty Harbour. On the East Pier repair, I encourage you to read an article which

will be published in Chatterbox magazine in the coming days. The article covers how we have gone about the project thus far and highlights the extent of our reach in securing funds. We remain hopeful of getting our funding package in place in the next few weeks.

PS Have you seen the fundraise from Friends of Cromarty Harbour below? Please support if you can. Scan the QR code below or go to cromartyharbour.org. All net proceeds goes towards restoration.



Position statement from Cromarty & District Community Council...

regarding Cromarty Harbour Trust retrospective planning application 24/00352/LBC

Cromarty & District Community Council support the retrospective planning application 24/00352/LBC, submitted by the Cromarty Harbour Trust for the erection of a new gate.

The basis of this support recognises:

- The role of Cromarty Harbour Trust as a Trust Port and independent statutory body
- The legal framework under which it is mandated to operate, that includes a duty of care to the public and those who use the Harbour
- Appropriate use of risk assessment, based on actualised risk and harm incidents, and the implementation of

proportionate operational controls (including the installation of the gate) to protect users of the Harbour, and meet mandatory and insurance requirements

- To support continued fishing for locals, and restrict commercial fishing by those that are not local

- Gates will only be closed during periods of high-risk as identified by the Harbour Master and agreed with the Trustees of the Cromarty Harbour Trust

Community Development Trust

Royal Hotel

Hopefully folk have seen that we have a Community Survey out.

We need to properly know the needs and aspirations of the people of Cromarty to help assess whether community ownership of the Royal Hotel is feasible AND delivers real benefits for local people. If viable, the Royal will probably stay partly as a hotel, but with other community uses.

You can complete this survey either online at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/royalhotel> or paper copies are available to collect and return at Cromarty Post Office. The deadline for completing the survey is Wednesday 5 June.

WE NEED AS MANY PEOPLE - AND GROUPS - TO COMPLETE THIS SURVEY SO THAT WE KNOW HOW VIABLE THESE IDEAS ARE.

If any group wants do discuss separately, please get in touch at cromartydevelopmenttrust@gmail.com

East Church Hall

We are getting closer to matching up the community-based interests in using this building with the options that work for Highland Council & Common Good (the building owners) to find something that works for the community AND earns enough money to cover the costs. This probably will involve short-term renting to start out with.

Whitedykes Industrial Unit

We have submitted a Community Asset Transfer bid to bring this building into community ownership. This will likely take 'some months' to process, after which it will be available for local businesses to rent.

Trust AGM

The CCDT AGM is on Thursday 6 June at 7pm in the Victoria Hall. Members have been sent an email with all the details and agenda.

Non-members are of course welcome to hear about our activities this year and plans for the coming year.

Community Campsite

We're seeing strong levels of bookings, with the site full many nights, bringing money into the town and supporting other local businesses.

A Proud Achievement



Flora Thomson writes:

I was immensely proud to receive this award on Monday 13th May at our Detachment evening in Fortrose from the Lord Lieutenant Joanie Whiteford.

The award was for 19 years Service of the ACF. An extract from the citation reads...

‘SSI F Thomson has shown passion and commitment to the ACF since joining as an adult instructor 15th April 2013. Coming to the organisation with no military experience she quickly brought herself up to speed with the knowledge and tools to be able to teach the cadets in her detachment. She has been involved with running the welfare cadre at camps dealing with homesick and unwell cadets. SSI F Thomson has stepped out [of] her own comfort zone to enable her to deliver the cadet experience.’

Cromarty Care Project

Lunch Club Summer Café

The Summer Café continues this month in Cromarty Primary School on 4th and 11th June.

The pupils of P6 and P7 have been running the Café really well – providing light lunches, playing games with attendees (like “Snakes and Ladders” and “Uno”), and providing musical recitals. We’d like to give a special thank you to violinists Isabella and Beth, harpist Storm, and singers Alexa and Ava, who all did an excellent job of providing “live music” at the Café last month!

The Café is open from 1.15 to 2.45. All over-60s are welcome. If you haven’t attended before, or if you are unable to attend, please contact Alison on 07470 583641.

This project has been made possible with support from the Bank of Scotland Foundation.



Seagull Trust Canal Cruises

If you’d like a morning cruise on the Caledonian Canal, the “Highland Cross Seagull” is for you! Cromarty Care Project will provide drivers to take you to Inverness where you can embark on a specially modified canal boat and enjoy the landscape and wildlife from Caley Marina to Dochgarroch and return. It’s all free and you’ll be home in

time for lunch! To reserve a place, email info@cromartycareproject.co.uk or phone Denise on 07769 170773

Community Sharing Larder

Many thanks to those who have donated foodstuffs to our Donations Box, or who have donated online at www.cromartycareproject.co.uk We are always especially grateful for toiletries.

Table Tennis

Table Tennis will continue throughout June. Open to all, at any level. Please join us on Monday mornings, 10.30 – 12 noon at the Victoria Hall. Suggested donation is £3 per session.

Community Playgroup

The Playgroup continues during school term time. Parents and carers with their babies and toddlers are very welcome to join us at the Victoria Hall, 10 – 11.30 on Tuesdays Charge: £1.50 per session.

Classic Cinema Club

The Cinema Club will meet this month at 2.30 p.m. on Wednesday 12th. Please note, this is the only meeting of the Cinema Club this month.

Please arrive early to avoid disappointment! If you would like to join the Cinema Club (entirely free!), or for further information, please contact Helen Charley on 07889 181529 or email helen.charley@doctors.org.uk

(Supported by the Albert Hunt Trust and the Bank of Scotland Foundation).

The Trikes (Cycling Without Age Trishaws)

The Trikes will be out and about during the Open Gardens weekend (8th and 9th June) to allow those with mobility issues to see as many of our beautiful gardens as possible. Fingers crossed for fine weather!

If you need transport to the Summer Café, Classic Cinema Club, or anywhere around Cromarty, please contact Maxine on 07875 963570

Cromarty Needs Carers

Could you be a home carer? No experience is necessary, since training is provided. Eilean Dubh Home Care are a very friendly and flexible company. Staff are well supported and issued with contracts. Pay up to £15 per hour, plus mileage and pension. Contact to have a chat on 07859 795029 or email audrey@edhomecare.co.uk

Jill and Simon at the Four Ways



Last month, Jill Stoner and Simon Evans said goodbye to their long association with the Four Ways Club. They gave a fascinating presentation on their trips to India, and in particular to Ankur Kala (Seeds of Hope) women's centre in Kolkata. This charity provides safety and rehabilitation to women and girls who have suffered trafficking. Jill and Simon were given a resounding vote of thanks for all their

good work in Cromarty and wished well for their next stage of life in Glasgow.

Citizens Advice in Cromarty – 18th June



Christine Macdonald, from Ross & Cromarty Citizens Advice Bureau, will be offering face-to-face appointments in the Victoria Hall on the third Tuesday of the month (18th June). CAB can give advice on a whole range of issues including benefits, debt and money, energy, work issues, relationships and housing, and we can help you to fill out benefit forms. To book an appointment with Christine, telephone 01349 883333 or email adviser@alnesscab.casonline.org.uk

CAB Focus on . . . Switching your internet, phone or tv provider

You might be able to save money by switching to:

- a new provider for your internet, mobile phone, landline or TV
- a bundle deal that's made up of 2 or more of these services

Before you switch

If you're struggling to pay for your phone or internet, talk to your provider. Ask if they can offer you a cheaper deal. You could tell your provider you're thinking of switching to a cheaper deal with a different provider. Your provider might offer you a cheaper deal to get you to stay with them. If you don't want to stay with your current provider, find out if you'll be charged an 'exit fee' to leave - check your contract or contact your provider.

If you're getting benefits

You might be able to get a cheaper internet, mobile or landline deal called a 'social tariff'. It depends which benefits you get. If your provider has a social tariff, you won't have to pay to move to it. You can move at any time - you don't have to wait until the end of your contract. If your provider doesn't offer a social tariff, you can switch to another provider who does. Check which providers offer social tariffs on the Ofcom website. You'll need to check that you're on the right benefits for the social tariff, you're the main account holder named on your contract, and the social tariff package covers all the services you need

If you're renting

Check your tenancy agreement - it might say you can't switch internet, landline or TV provider. Ask your landlord for a copy of your tenancy agreement if you don't have one.

Choosing a new contract

You should compare tariffs from different providers to find one that suits your needs and budget. You should check how long the contracts are for and if there are any charges for installation, line rental or connection. You might also want to think about getting a bundle - a deal with one provider that includes internet, landline and TV. They're sometimes cheaper and will also simplify your monthly bills.

Switching to a new provider

Once you've found the right deal, you'll need to sign up to your new contract. Before you switch, pay your final bill

with the old provider or get a refund if you're in credit.
The time it takes to switch depends on the provider.

For further help you can contact Advice Direct Scotland's
Consumer Service on Freephone: 0808 164 6000 or visit
the website: www.consumeradvice.scot.

Bowls Club

For anyone wishing to get more active - and sociable - and perhaps take up a new hobby, Cromarty Bowls Club have introduced a 'new membership' incentive. Under 16's can join free and for over 16's the cost is £35 for the season (half the normal price). Contact Andy Thurgood if you're interested - 600894

Business Updates

The Walled Garden



The Walled Garden in Cromarty (entrance is opposite the Bowling Green) will be open for the first time this year during Open Gardens on 8 and 9 June. Come see the beautiful herbaceous borders and at the same time you can pick some salads and vegetables we have salad

leaves, spinach, parsley, sorrel, spring onions and more may be available by the time we get to the weekend..... Bring your own bags..... payment is by card. A small box of veg and salad is £5 and a large box is £10.

Keep up to date on openings and availability of produce by following us [here](#).

Slaughterhouse Coffee



With the sun shining and the ferry beginning, this is where it really starts to feel like summer at the Slaughterhouse!

We are so excited for Open Gardens Weekend, Sat 8th & Sun 9th June, and our opening hours are as follows:

OPEN: 9:00 - 12:30, Closed for lunch: 12:30 - 13:00,
OPEN: 13:00 - 16:00

We are such big fans of this event but unfortunately it clashes with the Taylor Swift gig in Edinburgh that Laura & Teal are even bigger fans of!!

It's going to be a real big weekend for Dre & Grace, so we've had to incorporate a lunch time closure so they don't burn out! As well as this, we'd love to encourage you to bring your REUSABLE CUPS. We'll be offering

DOUBLE LOYALTY POINTS to those who do this weekend.

In other exciting news, from Thursday 20th June (also, appropriately, Summer Solstice), we will be OPEN 7 DAYS A WEEK (9:00 - 15:00) for the season! Get the date in the diary!

Cromarty Brewing Co.

With all the sun that May brought it seems the thirst for a cold beer ramped up last month. We have been double and triple brewing some of the firm favourites while still making room for our occasional/summer beers to help refresh over the hotter months to come.

June will see a restock of our seasonal Kool Runnings lager and a new addition in cask, Pimlico Bitter so keep your eyes peeled.

We had a great time at the Etape once again this year and were happy to keep the cyclists hydrated after their race. We were also delighted to supply beer for the Tractor Run in aid of the Puffin Pool, Dingwall and The Oxygen Works, Inverness at the Black Isle Showground where a cracking £19,000 was raised for these 2 charities. We also supplied our Whiteout to The Black Isle Belter last weekend.

We will have more festivals, shows and tastings coming up in June so keep your eyes on our social media for more details.

Our on-site shop opening hours remain Monday to Friday 10am till 4pm and Saturday 10am till 2pm.

Fishertown Inn

The busy summer season seems to have kicked off already and we are loving seeing the pub and beer garden so full. On this note if you'd like an evening meal with us please book to avoid disappointment.

Our Black Isle Dairy ice cream is going down a storm, especially on the sunny days, it's open 7 days a week and is situated in our beer garden. At quiet times the doors will be closed but we are open, just ring the doorbell on the doors.

Our next pub quiz is on June 22nd at 9pm in aid of British Divers Marine Life Rescue. If you would like to book for dinner beforehand please call 01381600988.

Traditional Music sessions are 13th and 27th June.

Knit and Natter every Tuesday 3pm

Ingrid's House

Looking for inspiration for Father's Dad gifts? We have lots to chose from at Ingrid's House. Our wonderful staff are always on hand to help if you are having trouble choosing.

We are open 7 days but if you would like to pop in in the evening just give us a shout to organise a suitable date, 01381600417 or ingridshouse@gmail.com

Emma Nightingale Glass



Emma Nightingale Glass will be open during Cromarty Open Studios over the weekend of 8 and 9 June from 11am to 4pm each day. Samples of her new work can be seen as well as a curated collection of her work this will include bowls, platters, vessels, wall art, coasters and some jewellery. Come and browse and find out more about how glass is made. There will also be some special offers available for glass making workshops if you book over the weekend. Come and find out more.....

Emma's beautiful garden will also be open.....

Cinema

June at Cromarty Cinema brings with it a whirlwind of international cinema, documentaries, action, laughs and a certain lasagne-loving feline...

We kick the month off with **The Beast** - a time-hopping sci-fi epic set in France with a bold and innovative take on alienation and female oppression. Based on a true story, **Kidnapped** sensitively recounts the infamous papal kidnapping of a young boy in the 1800s. **Sorcery** is a dark, enthralling coming-of-age Chilean tale of witchcraft, colonialism and self-discovery, while **A House in Jerusalem** is a Palestinian-directed supernatural drama about a girl and her father relocating from the UK to Jerusalem. Looking for something with a slightly slower pace? You're in luck, as we also bring you Lithuanian drama **Slow**, about new relationships with truly moving lead performances.

In the mood for a documentary? **Exhibition on Screen** is back, this time with a focus on My National Gallery, London. Part of the UK Green Festival, **Deep Rising** is full of awe-inspiring footage revealing the vital and fragile ecosystems of our oceans, while **Wilding** follows a West Sussex couple in their quest to breathe new life into their rural estate. In **Made in England: The Films of Powell and Pressburger**, Martin Scorsese examines the iconic duo's films.

And for something completely different... Join Wesley Snipes and Patrick Swayze on a drag-tastic roadtrip in 1995 classic **To Wong Foo, Thanks for Everything! Julie Newmar**, or, ahead of another Monday, spend some time on Sunday with a certain famous cat in new animation **The Garfield Movie**.

As always, that's not all so please peruse June's poster for everything on offer this month. Get your tickets at <https://cromartycinema.com/films/>, the human box office on Thursdays 12-2, or at the door. And don't forget, becoming a friend of the cinema will mean some fabulous discounts on tickets, as well as the chance to rent out the cinema for your very own private screening. To join,

complete the form online at
<https://cromartycinema.com/join-us/>.

See you in June!



CROMARTY CINEMA June 2024



Friday 7 June	7pm	The Beast (15) 2hr 27m Audacious, French, time-jumping, sci-fi drama starring George Mackay.
Saturday 8 June	7pm	La Chimera (15) 2hr 11m Josh O'Conner shines in 80s Tuscan-set drama directed by Alice Rohrwacher.
Sunday 9 June	3pm	Made in England: The Films of Powell and Pressburger (12A) 2hr 13m Martin Scorsese examines the duo's iconic films in fascinating documentary.
Tuesday 11 June	7pm	Exhibition on Screen: My National Gallery, London (U) 1hr 38m A variety of folk from gallery workers to celebrities explain why they love the 200-year-old institution.
Friday 14 June	7pm	Slow (15) 1hr 48m Lithuanian drama explores the blossoming of a new love affair.
Sunday 16 June	11am	The Garfield Movie (U) 1hr 41m The iconic Monday-hating, lasagne-loving feline in new animation.
Sunday 16 June	3pm	Kidnapped (12) 2hr 14m Italian drama based on true story of the 1858 kidnapping of a Jewish child by papal authorities.
Friday 21 June	7pm	Hard Miles (12A) 1hr 48m Drama based on true story of young offenders taken on 762 mile cycle to the Grand Canyon.
Saturday 22 June	7pm	A House in Jerusalem (12A) 1hr 44m Palestinian-directed drama follows a young girl recently moved to Jerusalem from the UK.
Sunday 23 June	7pm	Deep Rising - UK Green Festival (12) 1hr 25m Documentary - awe-inspiring footage highlights the vital yet fragile ecosystems in our oceans.
Friday 28 June	7pm	Sorcery (15) 1hr 41m Chilean anti-colonialist revenge thriller set in 1880 follows indigenous girl who turns to sorcery.
Saturday 29 June	7pm	To Wong Foo, Thanks for Everything! Julie Newmar (PG) 1hr 42m Wesley Snipes, Patrick Swayze and John Leguizamo star as drag queens in the classic 1995 road movie.
Sunday 30 June	3pm	Wilding (PG) 1hr 25m Documentary follows couple who trust in nature to heal their desolate West Sussex country estate.

****Screening with Descriptive Subtitles**

Adults £9.50 Under 26 £6 Friends £8

More film info and book online at: cromartycinema.com or at eden-court.co.uk or in person at Cromarty Cinema on Thursdays 12 – 2pm.

Show your support - become a Friend and reduce your ticket price. Visit cromartycinema.com or email admin@cromartycinema.com

The Cromarty Cinema, Cromarty, IV11 8XZ

Arts Trust

A lovely mix of painting, music and craft this month.

Kicking off with Sarah Spofforth-McOuat teaching two classes over 8 and 9 June. Saturday 8 is '**Paint your Pooch**' day, this is already sold out and we can't wait to see some great paintings of some Cromarty dogs! There are still spaces on the '**Paint a Hare**' day on the Sunday 9 June. Sarah takes absolute beginners from blank canvas to colourful and lively hare portrait, great if you've never painted before but really want to try.

One of Scotland's finest folk musicians, **Kris Drever** is playing a solo gig at the Stables on 12 June. We're delighted he is coming to Cromarty as part of his Scottish tour. Make sure you don't miss him, around 15 tickets left at time of writing. Don't delay!

A new craft for us on Saturday 29 & Sunday 30 June where you can learn to 'sun print' with cyanotype. This easy-to-do craft uses sunlight and everyday objects to create beautiful blue and white images. We'll use this technique to create a striking tote bag to take home. All details, timings, prices and booking on our [website](#), call 01381 600354 or pop in and see us at 19 Bank Street during office hours, just come in the big blue door.



Images using the cyanotype photographic technique you can learn about on the last weekend of June. (Just to keep the garden theme going until the end).

And finally...

Have a cracking month, folks. Looking forward to seeing more people out and about making the most of all the things our wee town has to offer - maybe even in the sunshine! Until the next time...

[Forward](#)

We hope you've found this an interesting and informative read. Please let us know what you think, or send suggestions and ideas for articles via editor@cromartylive.co.uk

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