

WHAT IS OIR ?

OIR Largs, founded in 1987

is a vibrant organisation catering for the interests of the over- fifties. We exist to encourage and facilitate interesting activities for those who have retired and/or have reached that mature age using, for the most part, the skills of Members.

Both old and new Members are encouraged to suggest and help to promote, additions to this list of Activities.

If you have a hobby or special interest that you would like to share, then other Members may be found to help start a new Group.

Membership currently exceeds 750, drawn mostly from Largs, but also from Wemyss Bay, Skelmorlie, Fairlie, West Kilbride and places even further afield.

Additional information about our Activities is always available on our website:

oirlargs.org.uk

or from our Office at:

133 Main Street, Largs, KA30 8JH

(at the junction with Waterside Street)

**Open on weekdays throughout the year
from 10 am until noon**

Information about any programme changes will be made available on the website, by e-mail to Members who have given permission for their address to be used, at the Monthly Meetings, by Notices posted in the local newspaper and in the window of the Office.

The Annual Subscription for Members is £15

Cheque payable to "OIR Largs".

Additionally, there is generally an Attendance Charge towards Hall costs and other expenses incurred in the running of the Group.

Application Forms are available from the Office, the website, or by e-mail from the Membership Secretary:

oir.largs@outlook.com

Executive Committee

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MONTHLY MEETINGS

**A General Meeting, to which all Members are invited,
is held at 2 pm in Largs Parish Church Hall,
normally on the first Wednesday of each month,
from September to June,
except during Lent* when it moves to Thursday.**

There is usually a Guest Speaker or some other form of entertainment, followed by a chance to meet and chat with Members. In addition, announcements are made about any changes to the Groups or Activities, including any new items.

The list below presents an outline of the Programme.

- 3rd September **Open Day**
- 1st October **"The Roaring Game" - Chris Totten**
- 5th November **Isle of Cumbrae Distillers - Juli Dempsey**
- 3rd December **"Home Grown Talent"
OIR'S Singing for Fun and Guitar Groups**
- 2026**
- 7th January **"Bletchley Park" - Sandy McWhirter**
- 4th February **"Alloway Railway Tunnel
from Concept to Completion" - Stuart Bates**
- 5th March * **OIR's Drama Group
"The Sundowner Players"**
- 1st April **"History of Money" - Jim Carmichael**
- 6th May **Clyde Whale and Dolphin Watch - Vari Edwards**
- 3rd June **Annual General Meeting
Followed by Musical Entertainment with
Clyde Coast Strathspey and Reel Society**

*Light refreshments are provided
at the end of each Meeting.*

There is also an opportunity to seek out Group Leaders and Committee Members to ask any questions that you may have and to make suggestions for new Activities to be added to our list.



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ACTIVITY TIMETABLE 2025 ... 2026

ARE YOU 50 OR OVER?
NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

Monday

Line Dancing (Y)
10 am - noon Halkshill Bowling Club
Moirra MacNab 07806 593727

Drama (W)
1.30 - 4 pm Largs Parish Church

Choir Room
Pauline McIntosh 522034
Ended

Ukulele for Beginners (W)
2 - 2.50 pm Brisbane Evangelical
Upper Hall
Agnes Kennedy 07513 326802
Ended

Ukulele (W)
2 - 4 pm Brisbane Evangelical
Main Hall
Iain Currie 07977 556038
Ends May 11th

Scottish Pioneers (W)
2 - 4 pm Largs Parish Church, **Annexe**
Aileen Harrison 07951 694953
Tutor: Avril Rea 07733 272148
Ended

Tea Dances (W)
2 - 4 pm Largs Parish Church,
Main Hall
Bill Alexander 522043
Ended

Please Note:
Clothing appropriate to the Activity being undertaken, should be worn.
Should you need to change clothes or prepare in some way for your chosen Activity, please arrive a little earlier than the time shown in order that the Class may begin promptly.

(W) = Weekly (F) = Fortnight
(M) = Monthly (Y) = Year-round

Tuesday

Archaeology (F)
10 am - noon United Free Church Hall
Iain Mills
archaeology51oir@aol.com
Ended

Calligraphy (W)
10 am - noon Douglas Pk Bowling Club
Jim Bassett 672754
Ended

Italian - Advanced (W)
10 am - noon The George Hotel
Marco Cecchini 672759
Ended

Keyboard (W)
10 am - noon Largs Parish Church
Choir Room
Stewart Tindal 07826 527940
Ended

French - Intermediate (W)
12.30 - 3.30 pm Brisbane Evangelical
Upper Hall
Tutor: May Renwick 07825 610764
Ends May 26th

Carpet Bowls (W)
2 - 4 pm Inverclyde Sports Centre
Jim Irving 07749 836288
Ended

Jewellery Making (W)
2 - 4 pm Largs Library Room 2
Lorette Duddy 07824 644251
Ends June 2nd

Philosophy: Discussion (W)
2 - 4 pm Dunn Memorial **Small Hall**
Janet Barr 07593 219754
janetbarr45@hotmail.com
Ends June 23rd

Singing for Fun (W)
2 - 4 pm Halkshill Bowling Club
Alex West 07793 264518
alex@westlord.co.uk
Ended

Wednesday

Level Walking (Y).
Lorette Duddy 07824 644251

Tai-Chi (W)
9.45 - 10.45 am Advanced
11 am - noon Beginners
Largs Parish Church, **Main Hall**
Fiona Wright 675733
Wilma Smeaton 07871 999817
Ends May 27th

Pilates (W)
10 - 11 am Largs **Episcopal**
Main Hall
Anne Hind 321791
Ends June 24th

Scottish Country Dancing (W)
2 - 4 pm Brisbane **Evangelical**
Main Hall
Margaret Allen 530479
07891 310492
Ended

Tuesday

Yarn Matters (W)
2 - 4 pm United Free Church Hall
Anne Ross
annerossuk@aol.com
Ends June 30th

Geology (M/Y)
2nd Tuesday in the month
2 pm in The George Hotel
Lachie Carmichael 07854 328938

Book Group (Y)
3.45 - 4.45 pm Largs Library
Community Room
1st Tuesday in the month
Eleanor Hamilton
elligow.hamilton@gmail.com

Evening

Table Tennis (Y)
7 - 9 pm. Inverclyde Sports Centre
Marco Cecchini 672759

Thursday

Cycling (Y)
Janice Urquhart 07881 812906

Zumba Gold (Y)
10 - 11 am Largs Parish Church
Main Hall
Mae Mack 07901119444

Play and Poetry Reading (W)
10 am - noon Largs Parish Church
Choir Room
Jean Stuart 675207
Ends May 28th

Spanish Intermediate (W)
10 am - noon United Free Church Hall
Linda Brown 648246
Tutor: Mary Turbet
Ends May 28th

Italian (W)
10.15 am - 12.15 pm The George Hotel
Tutor: Marco Piva 07972 923887
marco.a.piva@gmail.com* preferred

Life Writing (W)
10 am - noon Largs Library
Nancy Morris 07789 394611
Ended

Easy Exercise (Y)
11 am - noon Gym at 45 Gogo Street
Billy Strang 07961 313243

Yoga (Y)
Noon - 1 pm Largs Parish Church
Annexe
Tutor: Danielle Devin 07745 948070
danielle.devin@proton.me

Guitar (W)
2 - 4 pm Douglas Park Bowling Club
Billy Strang 07961 313243
Ended

Scottish History (F)
2 - 4 pm Brisbane Evangelical
Main Hall
1st and 3rd Thursday in the month
Catherine Maguire 07786 331365
Ends June 18th

Friday

Gaelic (W)
10 am - noon United Free Church Hall
Anne Black
ecoanne.black@gmail.com
Ended

Art and Chat (W)
1 - 4 pm Douglas Park Bowling Club
9.30 am - 12.30 pm from April 17th
Barry Morgan 676333
Ends June 26th

German (F)
2 - 4 pm Brisbane Evangelical **Lounge**
Alternate Fridays from 6th February
Christine Milne 672654
Ended

Saturday

Hill Walking (W)
Usually leaving between 8.30 and 9 am
from near the exit to Vikingar car park.
Time and place may vary.
Agnes Kennedy 07513 326802
Moirra Hill 07769 110748
Vivien Taylor 07469 246867

Network

OIR's Monthly Newsletter

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"Please let me know if you want anything in the next issue".
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It may also be read on-line at:
oirlarg.org.uk

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