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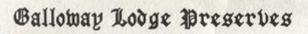
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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Bicentenary year is the big one we have all been looking forward to and our promise that it would go off with a bang looks like coming true - literally, as the Royal Artillery are bringing along a famous old 25 pounder gun from Edinburgh Castle to fire off two "Centenary rounds", one for each of Gatehouse of Fleet's two hundred years. We are grateful to the Royal British Legion (Scotland) for arranging this through the good offices of their Gatehouse of Fleet branch.

With the help of some kind sponsorship the Tartan Lads are back again and this time in addition to their participation in the parade and cabaret in the park on Gala Day they will also be appearing in cabaret on Gala Day night at the Community Centre.

Once again, a full programme of events for the whole eight days has been arranged and the local businesses in town have given marvellous support by advertising and other means which makes the whole thing possible. As you may know, Co-Chairman Hamish has not enjoyed good health in recent times but his guiding influence is always there and John Davidson with the help of a good committee have rallied round to share the load. Special thanks are due this year to Entrepose Laing JV and Rigblast Oil Support Services. The Mountain Bike competitors will be pleased to see their event re-instated, thanks to the help of ACE Cycles from Castle Douglas.

The weather has been kind to Galas in recent years and public support likewise. Let us make the Bicentenary year Gala one to remember.

Joint Chairmen; Hamish Holmes and John Davidson

FRONT COVER

Gatehouse of Fleet's Bicentenary Year Town Crier, JANE McGIVERN performs her duties round the streets commencing from the town clock every Saturday morning and also on special occasions.

Her young friends are described more fully on pages 7 and 9.

MESSAGE FROM THE COMMITTEE:

Everyone on the Gala Executive committee wish Hamish Holmes a full and speedy recovery and hope that he will be back in full bloom for Gala Week.

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"LADY" with proud owner Nichola Connelly and the 1994 Gala Queen Veronica Kelly. Looking on is the Judge and local Vet. N. McCormick.

The sweetie or chocolate competition

Entry forms at 25p each containing twentyfive clues which hide the names of a well known sweet or chocolate are available at Mrs Fergusson's shop (Drapers in High Street). Prize of £10 for first all correct or nearest correct entry drawn on Gala Day. All entries to be in at Mrs Fergusson's by 4 p.m. on Friday 4th August.



WHO IS THIS BABY TODAY?

Clue: A well known adult citizen in Gatehouse of Fleet

Entry forms free from Mrs Fergusson's shop. (Drapers on High Street).

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BICENTENARY YEAR'S GALA STARS





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QUEEN'S ATTENDANT Daniella McCreath

Their first public performance is on Sunday, 30th July

NEWEST INDOOR MUSEUM ATTRACTION

While in Gatehouse of Fleet, be sure to visit the new Museum of Galloway Life. "As We Were." Located at Rutherford Hall, which was built as the town's Free Church of Scotland after the Disruption of 1843, the museum has won high praise since it opened in March last year.

The object of "As We Were" is to inform the present generations of a past the majority of us may be in danger of forgetting, or of not knowing.

The museum depicts everyday life 100 years ago by a series of tableau displays peopled by lifelike models in period dress, surrounded by the furniture and equipment they would have used.

Says proprietor Roger Hampshire: "One of our main reasons for establishing the museum is to educate in an entertaining way. This we feel we do very well indeed, and the response from visitors of all ages has been very encouraging."

(See advertisement on page 30)

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BICENTENARY YEAR QUEEN AND CONSORT 1995

Two popular young members of the Gatehouse of Fleet community are its leading citizens of the year. Miss Gatehouse, is 12 year old Nicola Frame who leaves the primary school to start her secondary education at Kirkcudbright Academy. She is keen on athletics and can recite many of the works of Robert Burns. Her shy looking Consort is 13 year old Gary Neill who is in his first year at the Academy and a potential star footballer.



ANWOTH SEA ANGLING CLUB

OPEN SHORE COMPETITION

Gala Sunday 30th July, 1995

Times

Registration: 08.00 hrs - 08.30 hrs Fishing: 08.30 hrs - 17.00 hrs Weigh-in: 17.00 hrs - 18.00 hrs

Entry Fees

Payment by pre-booking before 29/07/95 - £5.00
Payment on Competition Day 30/07/95 - £6.00

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Prizes

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Registration Point

Anwoth Garden
Anwoth Hotel
1 Fleet Street
Gatehouse of Fleet
Tel: 01557 814217

Details & Pre-Booking

Mr Ivan Bell Anwoth Hotel Gatehouse of Fleet DG7 2JT Tel: 01557 814217

All cheques payable to 'Anwoth Hotel'

A GATEHOUSE GALA WEEK EVENT

SUNDAY 30th JULY

8.30am - 5.00pm OPEN SHOREFISHING COMPETITION organised by Anwoth Sea Angling Club (see detailed advertisement on preceding page).

11.00am - 5.00pm CRAFT FAIR in the Community Centre. In aid of Cancer Relief Macmillan Fund. Admission Adults 50p, Children under 14 years

10p.

11.00am - 1.0pm COFFEE MORNING - The local Committee of the Cancer Relief Macmillan Fund will serve Coffee and Biscuits in the Community Centre. Adults 60p, Children under 14 years 30p.

1.30pm SILVER BAND RECITAL in Ann Street featuring the Creetown
Prize Silver Band under the baton of Mr. J.S. MacNab.

2.00pm - 5.00pm AFTERNOON TEAS - as Coffee Morning, Adults £1.25, Children under 14 years 75p.

2.00pm GALA WEI

GALA WEEK OPENING CEREMONY - featuring alternative performances by Stewartry Pipe Band and Creetown Prize Silver Band. Official solo piper: W.J.C. Cowie (of Galloway). CROWNING of GALA QUEEN Nichola Frame by Veronica

CROWNING of GALA QUEEN Nichola Frame by Veronica Kelly, 1994 Queen. Piper Billy will lead Gala Queen Nichola to the dias in Ann Street for the brief crowning ceremony. The queen's Attendant is Daniella McCreath and Consort is Gary Neill. Page Boy is James Flannigan. Commentator: George McCulloch.

3.30pm

JUNIOR FIVE-A-SIDE FOOTBALL in Garries Park organised by Fleet Star Football Club. For entry details contact Rae Crane, 16

Fleetside, Gatehouse of Fleet. Tel: 01557 814650.

5.00pm OPEN FISHING COMPETITION RESULTS - Anwoth Hotel

Riverside Garden.

6.30pm SONGS OF PRAISE in Girthon Parish Church with Canon Broun, Father Farrington and the Rev. Austin Erskine leading the praise with

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MONDAY 31st JULY

10.30am GUIDED WALKING TOUR of Gatehouse of Fleet, starting at The

Mill on The Fleet Visitor Centre. Easy stroll. Guide: Jimmy Dent.

Duration time: Approx. 1 hour 30 minutes.

2.30pm GUIDED TOUR of FLEET FOREST-courtesy of Forest Enterprise.

Meet for start at Murray Forest Centre adjacent to Cally Avenue

entrance gates. Free car parking. Watch the weather and dress

suitably. Guide: Roy White.

Duration time: Approx. 1 hour.

3.00pm The GALA QUEEN and her Attendants will visit the Senior

Citizen's Party.

3.30pm CHILDREN'S SHOW. Details not available at time of going to

press.

(See posters).

6.00pm THE ANNUAL SHEEP DOG TRIALS in Blackloch Field (adjacent

to Dromore Road, opposite Fire Station). Competitors, including members of the International Team, compete for the Gala Association Trophy. An interesting event for all the family to witness the skilled and expert masters at work with a potentially disobedient flock of

sheep. Organised by Alec McNichol. Commentary by George McCulloch. Admission 50p.

Programme of Competitors available on arrival at field. Shepherds

will compete in pairs this year.

6.00pm MOUNTAIN BIKE RACE-Organised by ACE CYCLES of Castle

Douglas - see details on posters. Race will start and finish at Garries

Park.

6.30pm PET SHOW - with Cup for 'Best in the Show'. All pet owners

holding an official Gala Souvenir Programme are eligible to enter their pets and should arrive in good time to have their pets settled ready for judging at the Community Centre Car Park. There will be many different classes for each section with prizes. The winner of the Cup Trophy for the 'Best in the Show' will hold this for one year.

Judges: Mr. Neil McCormick and Mrs. Irene Fairlie.

GATEHOUSE OF FLEET GALA ASSOCIATION OFFICE BEARERS AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 1994/1995:

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Joint Chairmen: Hamish Holmes JP and John Davidson.

Secretary: Treasurer:

Jim Kerr. Jimmy Dent.

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George McCulloch.

Committee: David Dougan, Marjorie Harper, Susan Neill, Noky Watson, Audrey

Wright, Gerard Macnamara, Kate Geddes, Christine Proudlock, Roger

and Lyn Hampshire.

Official Assistants:

Jack Sunderland, John Chambers, Alex McNichol, Denise Coltart,

Lillian Raine and Bobby Carson.

The "Roon the Watter" run will be held again as part of the town's Gala Week. The six mile run (2 miles for 11 years and under) is on Tuesday, 1st August, 1995. Starts 6.30 p.m. Starting and finishing at Gatehouse Community Centre.

There are Challenge Shields for 1st Male and for 1st Female overall, medals for 1st, 2nd and 3rd Male and for 1st Female in each group, a trophy for 1st local (permanent resident in Anwoth and Girthon parishes) in each group and a commemorative medal for all finishers.

Entry fee is £1.00 for the junior groups and £2.00 for the senior groups. This should be sent with completed entry forms and an 8" x 10" s.a.e. to G. Macnamara, 8 Catherine Street, Gatehouse of Fleet, DG7 2JD or telephone (01557) 814594 by 26th July. This event does not hold an S.A.F. permit.

'Roon the Watter' Entry Form	M	F	
11 years and under		Order .	£1.00
12 years - 16 years	NAME OF THE OWNER, OWNER, OWNER, OWNER, OWNER, OWNER,		£1.00
17-34 years (Ladies only)			£2.00
17-39 years (Men only)		19.19	£2.00
35-50 years (Ladies only)		-	£2.00
40-55 years (Men only)	in the second		£2.00
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TUESDAY 1st AUGUST

10.30am

GUIDED WALKING TOUR of Gatehouse of Fleet, starting at The Mill on The Fleet Visitor Centre. No charge. Easy stroll. Guide:

Jimmy Dent. Duration time: Approx. 1 hour 30 minutes.

2.30pm

CHILDREN'S PARTY in the Community Centre. All children invited, locals and visitors alike but must be nine years old or under. Organiser: Noky Watson.



6.30pm

THE GREAT ANNUAL FUN RUN - 'Roon the Watter' (See full details on opposite page). A great family event. Note: This event does not have an S.A.F. permit.



8.00pm

PRIZE BINGO in the Community Centre. Caller: Nellie Pickthall.

8.00pm

A SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE in the Gatehouse School Hall. Music by the Elmbank Scottish Country Dancing Band. Tickets £3 (including light refreshments) can be reserved by telephoning (01557) 814278.

HIDDEN OBJECT SHOP WINDOW COMPETITION

Entry forms at 25p each from Mrs. Fergusson's shop (Drapers on High Street)

The hidden objects are to be found in retail shop windows in the town. A card in the window will indicate that there is a hidden object and a number on the card will help you place the answer on the form.

Please return completed forms to Mrs. Fergusson by 4pm on Friday 4th August. The winners will be announced and prizes awarded on Gala Day, Saturday 5th August in Garries Park.

Do return your form, even if it is incomplete - you may still be a winner!

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Duration time: Approx. 1 hour.

6.15pm DISPLAY of MODEL AIRCRAFT and MODEL CARS by courtesy

of Newton Stewart Radio Model Club in Garries Park.

7.00pm Followed by a display by Kirkcudbright & District Pipe Band and Highland Dancers at 7pm approx. Collection for funds.

Commentator: George McCulloch. (The Pipe Band and Dancing

Display will take place in the Community Centre if weather is wet).

6.30pm ANNUAL GREEN BOWLING TOURNAMENT. Access to

Bowling Green via Garries Park or Ann Street. Bowling visitors are welcome to join in and play for the Bobby Telfer Memorial Trophy

which will be presented by MISS GATEHOUSE.

9.00pm - 1.00am BANGERS and BEER DISCO in Marquee in Garries Park. Hot

snacks on sale. Entry FREE. Cash Bar.

10.00pm THE GREAT TORCHLIGHT PROCESSION starting from the

Community Centre Car Park where torches will be on sale at £1.50 each. Kirkcudbright & District Pipe Band will lead the parade followed by the Queen's Procession to Garries Park. SPECIAL NOTE: There is NO entry to Garries Park via the main town car park. For safety reasons all torch bearers must stay in the procession. FIREWORKS DISPLAY and BONFIRE in GARRIES PARK plus DANCING MUSIC by outdoor disco. Fireworks safety by

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GATEHOUSE GALA

BABY SHOW ENTRY TICKET

SATURDAY 5th August

2.30 p.m. in

GARRIES PARK

(If wet, in the Community Centre)

GATEHOUSE GALA

PET SHOW ENTRY TICKET

MONDAY 31st July

6.30 p.m. at the

COMMUNITY CENTRE

(If wet, inside the centre)

SIXTY SUPER GALA EVENTS

SUNDAY 30th JULY

All day	Shore Fishing Competition
11.00am	Craft Fair
11.00am	Coffee Morning
1.30pm	Silver Band Recital
2.00pm	Afternoon Teas
2.00pm	Opening Ceremony Pipe Band CROWNING of GALA QUEEN
3.30pm	Football — Junior Five-a-Side
5.00pm	Open Fishing Results
6.00pm	Songs of Praise & Silver Band

MONDAY, 31st JULY

10.30am	Walking Tour - Around town
2.30pm	Walking Tour — Fleet Forest
3.30pm	Children's Show PIPET -
6.00pm	Sheep Dog Trials
6.00pm	Mountain Bike Race
6.30pm	Pet Show

TUESDAY, 1st AUGUST

10.30am	Walking Tour - Around town
2.30pm	Children's Party
6.30pm	Fun Run
8.00pm	Dance — Scottish Country
8.00pm	Bingo

WEDNESDAY, 2nd AUGUST

10.30am	Walking Tour — Around town
2.30pm	Walking Tour — Fleet Forest
6.15pm	Display - Model Aircraft & Cars
30	Pipe Band & Highland Dancers
6.30pm	Green Rowling Tournament
9.00pm	Bangers & Beer Open Air Disco
10.00pm	Torchlight Procession
9:45	Fireworks and Bonfire

THURSDAY 3rd AUGUST

10.30am	Walking Tour — Around town	
4.30pm	Golf Tournament BRIAN	JONES
4.30pm	Pram, Barrow & Kart Race	
7.30pm	Pipe Band Display 7	Mark Service
9.00pm	Gala Cettidh CONCERT	

FRIDAY, 4th AUGUST

10.30am	Walking Tour — Around town	
2.30pm	Walking Tour — Fleet Forest	r 011
6.30pm.	Football — Senior Five-a-Side CA4	
7.00pm	Holiday Fillicess Julio Discov	C111100
10.30pm	Holiday Disco Dance	HOP

SATURDAY, 5th AUGUST

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1.15pm	Grand Parade
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-	Pipe Bands & Highland Dancing
Duck	Fun Fair & Side Shows
DINE	Clay Pigeon Shooting, Archery
	Tug O'War & Pillow Fighting
2.30pm	Childrens' Sports & Games
2.30pm	"The Traditional Jazz Four"
2.30pm	Baby Show Competition
2.30pm	Tartan Lads Cabaret Show
4.00pm	Competition Results
4.15pm	Grand Prize Draw
8.00pm	Cabaret & Dancing
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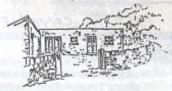
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Duration time: Approx. 1 hour 30 minutes.

4.30pm GOLF TOURNAMENT at Gatehouse Golf Club, run over nine holes. If no official handicap is known, the Gatehouse Club system

will apply.

6.00pm PRAM, BARROW or KART RACE in FANCY DRESS. (Using

the new easy route which proved popular in 1994).

Entrants should assemble at 6pm for judging and must be in possession of an Official Gala Programme. All competing pairs assemble at Community Centre Car Park.

ROUTE: Round the outer road of Riverbank and Fleetside

anti-clockwise and finish back at the Community Centre.

GROUP 1 - 14 years and under. GROUP 2 - 15 years and over.

Cups will be awarded to the three winners in each group - these to be

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7.30pm PIPE BAND DISPLAY by STEWARTRY PIPE BAND stopping

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9.00pm THE GALA CEILIDH in Community Centre at 9pm featuring the

"TWO LEFT FEET" Ceilidh Band (5 or 6 players with caller). Cash bar. Advance ticket £3 available from Tourist Information Centre, Gatehouse of Fleet, Tel: 01557 814212 (Evening bookings to 01557

814799).

CHILDRENS' COLOURING COMPETITION.

Girls and boys aged five to thirteen years are invited to obtain picture from Mrs. Fergusson (High Street Drapers Shop) and return it coloured in to Mrs. Fergusson by 4pm on Friday 4th August. Prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd will be announced and presented during Gala Day in Garries Park on Saturday 5th August. Entry 25p each.

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ALL WELCOME

FRIDAY 4th AUGUST

6.30pm

GUIDED WALKING TOUR of Gatehouse of Fleet, starting at The 10.30am Mill on The Fleet Visitor Centre. No charge. Easy stroll. Guide: Jimmy Dent.

Duration time: Approx. 1 hour.

GUIDED TOUR of FLEET FOREST-courtesy of Forest Enterprise. 2.30pm

Meet for start at Murray Forest Centre adjacent to Cally Avenue entrance gates. Free car parking. Watch the weather and dress

suitably. Guide: Roy White. Duration time: Approx. 1 hour.

SENIOR FIVE-A-SIDE FOOTBALL in Garries Park. Entry fee £5

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'THE HOLIDAY PRINCESS SELECTION JUNIOR DISCO' -7.00pm - 9.00pm

in Community Centre. Noky's Disco. The 1995 HOLIDAY PRINCESS will be selected from the young ladies on holiday in the district. The newly chosen holiday princess will be invited to assist in the judging of the foot entries in the Fancy Dress Parade the following day - Saturday 5th August - GALA DAY. No admission charge to

Disco - Soft drinks sales stall.

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SATURDAY 5th AUGUST

THE GRAND PARADE ASSEMBLY in road next to Gatehouse 12.30pm School and foot entries in the car park at Community Centre.
FLOATS: Class 1: MAINLY ADULTS MAINLY CHILDREN FLOATS: Class 2: There is appearance money for all entries. (Note: The Bicentenary Committee are awarding a special prize of £60 for the best Float entry depicting an event relative to around 1795).
FOOT: Class A: CHILDRENS' FANCY DRESS FOOT: Class A: ADULT'S FANCY DRESS FOOT: Class B: (Note: The Bicentenary are awarding special prizes for either single or pair entries in the Foot section depicting something relative to around Judging by The Tartan Lads, Cheeko the Clown and assisted by the new Holiday Princess. The GRAND PARADE moves off en route to Garries Park, led by 1.15pm BICENTENARY YEAR GALA QUEEN - NICHOLA FRAMÉ followed by the new HOLIDAY PRINCESS and celebrity guests -THE TARTAN LADS, STEWARTRY PIPE BAND, KIRKCUDBRIGHT & DISTRICT PIPE BAND, CHEEKO THE CLOWN, THE TRADITIONAL JAZZ FOUR, the DECORATED VEHICLES and FANCY DRESS PEDESTRIANS. The continual programme all afternoon in GARRIES PARK will include PIPE BAND DISPLAYS, HIGHLAND DANCING, STALLS and SIDE SHOWS, LASER CLAY PIGEON SHOOT, ARMY GUN DISPLAY, GRAND PRIZE DRAW, CANDY FLOSS, ROUNDABOUTS, COMPETITIONS, CHILDRENS' SPORTS, BABY SHOW, CABARET SHOW, CHEEKO THE CLOWN, BAR and AFTERNOON TEAS, PILLOW FIGHTING and TUG o' WAR. Approximate Timings: PARADE COMPETITION RESULTS. 2.00pm CHILDRENS' SPORTS followed by CYCLE RACES organised 2.30pm by Rob Thompson. Commentator: Jim McDowell. AFTERNOON TEAS served in the Marquee (Organised and served 2.30pm by the ladies of Gatehouse Women's Rural Institute). Licensed Bar in Marquee - Head Barman - "Noky". CABARET SHOW featuring "THE TARTAN LADS". 2.30pm BABY SHOW COMPETITION. All babies up to two years of age are 2.30pm welcome to enter. Mums and friends accompanying babies require to show their official Gala Programme as an entry fee. MUSIC SHOW featuring "THE TRADITIONAL JAZZ FOUR".
TUG o' WAR COMPETITION: Commentator: Jim McDowall. 3.00pm 3.15pm (a) Hidden objects in Shop Windows COMPETITION RESULTS: 4.00pm (b) Childrens' Painting (c) Colouring Competition (e) Baby Show. (d) Laser Competition PILLOWFIGHTING COMPETITION: Commentator: Billy Hatch. 4.15pm GRAND PRIZE DRAW takes place. 4.15pm

GALA DAY COMMENTATORS: George McCulloch, Jim McDowall and Billy Hatch.

CABARET AND DANCING in The Community Centre featuring 8.00 - 11.45pm THE TARTAN LADS. Dance music by the Glen Alymer Scottish Dance Band. Advance tickets £3 including light refreshments. Tickets from Tourist Information Centre, Gatehouse of Fleet, Tel: 01557 814212.

Alternative Tel: for bookings 01557 814278.

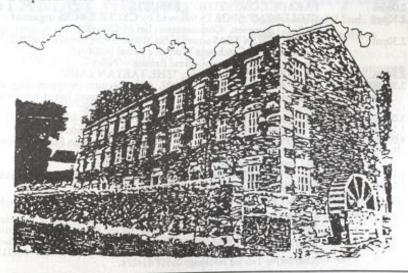
The Mill on the Fleet

A visitor Centre based on a restored 18th century cotton mill, the Mill on the Fleet opened to visitors in August 1991. There are two rebuilt water-wheels outside, while inside the permanent exhibition tells the fascinating story of Gatehouse of Fleet from its founding in the 1760's. The story is told through sight and sound, for which the 'hard hat' is an important accessory.

The theme then widens to include the whole of Galloway, and visitors can enjoy a 'magical myster tour' through the medium of the audio-visual production on the first floor. Other exhibits can be seen, including the 'Wee Toon,' a model of Gatehouse as it was c.1800, before returning to the ground floor to browse through the shop, or to enjoy the home-baking in the tearoom. In fine weather tea can be taken outside on the riverside terrace.

The Mill is open from the end of March to the beginning of November, daily, and at any time for a booked party. There is an admission charge for the exhibition, but entry to the shop and tea-room is free.

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SUNDAY 6th AUGUST

1.00pm	BIG BAND SOUNDS with the TRADITIONAL JAZZ FOUR in
120000000000000000000000000000000000000	Anwork Hotel Garden beside the river.

BARBECUE in ANWOTH HOTEL GARDEN beside river. 1.00pm

THE GREAT RIVER FLEET DUCK RACE (Can best be viewed 2.00pm from Fleet Bridge). Ducks sponsored in aid of Stewartry Pipe Band

and can be purchased in park on Gala Day.

AUTO TEST in Fleetvale Car Park (next to Tourist Information 3.00pm

Centre). Sponsored by Galloway Country Style. Commentator: Jim McDowall. Presentation of prizes thereafter at Anwoth Hotel.

GALA FINALE CABARET AND DANCE in Bank o' Fleet Hotel. 9.00 - Midnight

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Entries will be invited from teams of four aged 14 and above, to include at least one lady. A low handicap will be awarded to teams with wide age-ranges.

There will be ten games, or tests, and each team will be allowed to discard one set of marks. Not all participants will be required to do strenuous things - the lifesaving and rowing games will be for the two fittest players from each team only. Other games will require strategic thinking rather than strength and fitness.

High water that day is in the early afternoon, and games will run from about 2 to 4pm. Light refreshments and souvenirs will be available at the RNLI marquee from 12 noon, and at the site shop as usual.

Please come and join the fun. To enter your team, all you will need to do is to write your name on one of the lists in holiday centre shops and local pubs and hotels- or to turn up on the day.

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To assist you with the tree species identification as you walk round, occasional trees and shrubs have been 'name-tagged'. With careful observation and a modicum of luck, you will be fortunate enough to see a wide variety of flora and fauna.



Likely floral sitings are wild iris, primroses, wood anemones, wood sorrel, bramble, celandine, stitchwort, snowdrop, bluebells and campion.

You will encounter a myriad of insects including many butterfly and moth species. Animal species within the forest area include roe deer, red squirrels, hedgehogs, voles, rabbits, hares and foxes.

Bird species are also prolific and special mention must be made of buzzard, pheasant, woodpecker, tree creeper, warblers, finches and tit species.

Editors Note: Further information available from Forest Enterprise, 21 King Street, Castle Douglas, DG7 1AA. Tel: (01556) 503626.

CANCER RELIEF

The Cancer Relief Macmillan Fund committee in Gatehouse of Fleet are holding the following events during the next few months.

Do book the dates and join us on these occasions so that we can help people suffering with Cancer. Details of all events can be obtained by telephoning the local Secretary on (01557) 814278.

- "Showcase" from Edinburgh. Well known for their great donations to our local committee
 are holding their Annual concert "Showcase's Musical Nights" in the Church Hill Theatre,
 Edinburgh from 26th 30th September. All proceeds will go to the Gatehouse Cancer Relief
 Macmillan Fund. §7.50 plus coach fare. On Saturday 30th September a special coach will leave
 Gatehouse for Edinburgh.
 - The afternoon is free for shopping in Edinburgh and the coach then goes to the Theatre in time for the Show. A Show NOT to be missed!!
- Annual Buffet Dance, Friday 8th December in the Murray Arms Hotel. Music for dancing
 will be by the Glen Alymer Scottish Dance Band, the M.C. will be William Williamson and
 Sean McDougall will play the guitar and give us a song. 8pm midnight. Tickets will be £9.50
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January 19th, 1996 — Prize Bingo in the Murray Arms Hotel. 7.30 for 8pm. 50p including Tea and Biscoire

February 16th, 1996 — William Williamson, David Shankland, Sean McDougall and Ewan McGowan in Concert. Gatehouse Community Centre, 7.30pm. Tickets £4.00 including a glass of wine.

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OTHER EVENTS this SUMMER OUTWITH the GALA PROGRAMME

JUNE

29. GATEHOUSE OF FLEET - Visit by HRH The Princess Royal

GATEHOUSE OF FLEET - Bicenteneray Town Picnic

JULY

GATEHOUSE OF FLEET - Canniffe Family Cabaret, Bank o Fleet

GATEHOUSE OF FLEET - International Concert at the Mill

NEW GALLOWAY - Charity Sheepdog Trials

15. DALBEATTIE - Civic Week Starts.

15. CROSSMICHAEL - Crossmichael Community Gala

16. CASTLE DOUGLAS - Argrennan House Garden open.

20. KIRKCUDBRIGHT -Scottish Night & Princess Crowning Ceremony

21. KIRKCUDBRIGHT - Riding of The Marches.

22. GATEHOUSE OF FLEET - Victorian Night at The Mill on the Fleet

28. GATEHOUSE OF FLEET - Girthon & Anwoth Ch. Flower Festival

28. KIRKCUDBRIGHT - Motor Car Rally 6.30pm.

29. GATEHOUSE OF FLEET - RNLI Fun Day at Sandgreen beach.

30. GATEHOUSE OF FLEET - Afternoon music session, Bank o Fleet

AUGUST

WIGTOWN - Wigtown Agricultural Show (Bladnoch Park)

CASTLE DOUGLAS - Stewartry Agricultural Show, Market Fields

CREETOWN - Creetown Gala Week begins

CASTLE DOUGLAS - Threave Gardens Open

PARTON - 14th, Scottish Alternative Games

KIRKCUDBRIGHT - Sheepdog Trials 1pm.

6. GATEHOUSE OF FLEET - Peter Kirk in Cabaret - Bank o' Fleet

12. KIRKCUDBRIGHT - Swimming Pool Fund Raising Day.

13. BORGUE - Borgue Community Open Gala Day.

13. GATEHOUSE OF FLEET - Cally Gardens open.

19. BORGUE - Borgue Community Annual Flower Show

26. KIRKCUDBRIGHT - Vehicle Parade & Open Bowling Tournament

26. GATEHOUSE OF FLEET - Horticultural Show at the School Hall

27. KIRKCUDBRIGHT - Historical Vehicle Rally.

27. GATEHOUSE OF FLEET - Afternoon music session, Bank o' Fleet

28. KIRKCUDBRIGHT - Grand Tattoo with Pipe Bands

SEPTEMBER

KIRKCUDBRIGHT - Annual Flower Show

GATEHOUSE OF FLEET - Sheep Dog Trials, Boreland of Anwoth

DALBEATTIE - Dalbeattie Civic Floral Art Club 25th. Anniversary.

16. GATEHOUSE OF FLEET - Drystane Dyking Competition

24. GATEHOUSE OF FLEET - Anwoth Church Harvest Festival

24. GATEHOUSE OF FLEET - Harvest Festival lunch - Comm. Cen.

24. GATEHOUSE OF FLEET - Afternoon music session, Bank o' Fleet

OCTOBER

DALBEATTIE - Head Injured Fund Fashio show.

GATEHOUSE OF FLEET - Musical Beerfest at Cardoness Castle

15. GATEHOUSE OF FLEET - British Legion 'Songs of Praise'

27. GATEHOUSE OF FLEET - 50/50 Dance at Community Centre 29. GATEHOUSE OF FLEET - Afternoon music session, Bank o' Fleet





Above: Russ Abbot's stage manager, Bill Pridden, from Manchester (left) with Ivan Bell, the owner of Anwoth Hotel during his second visit to the Scottish Malts.

Left: A German guest, Frau Meetchell from Appenhau
- the 98th visitor already this year to request having
her picture taken amongst the 200 Scottish Malts.

THE ANWOTH'S AWASH WITH RARE SCOTTISH MALTS!

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BICENTENARY CELEBRATION MALTS by the bottle

At the time of going to press in June, Mr. Bell's latest 'malt venture' is about to be delivered and then collectors can buy their own bottles of two specially blended Scottish Malts to celebrate two different bi-centenary events. That of Gatehouse of Fleet in 1975 and the Anwoth Hotel itself which opened in 1794. The specially labelled malts will be available in both full and half bottles and are, of course, a limited edition!

Historic sites and Ancient Monuments in & around Gatehouse of Fleet



Compiled by: NIGEL G.F. HESKETH JP. Together with ordnance survey map references (sheet 83 Landranger series).

This is not intended to be a complete list, but it is the compiler's hope that your appetite for discovery may be whetted.

ANWOTH OLD CHURCH 583562. Site of church from 12C Samuel Rutherford's church. Table stone to covenanter John Bell in york. Also Maxwell mausoleum.

ANWOTH OLD SCHOOL 582562. Ongosite Old Church.

ANWOTH OLD SCHOOL 582562. Opposite Old Church. BARHOLM CASTLE 521529. 16C Tower House on old main road...

BARHOLM SAW MILL 517533. Working water driven saw mill. Mill dam above.

BIG WATER OF FLEET VIADUCT 558643. Line opened 1860, 20 arches. Piers reinforced with brick to carry the weight of American Army and equipment en route to D Day landings.

BISHOP'S PALACE (ENRICK) 614544. Site of residence of Bishop of Galloway.

BREWERY 599563, Opposite Angel Hotel.

BREWERY 602564, Ann Street, now garage for Roseville.

BOBBIN MILL 599563.

CAIRNHARROW 537569. Stone Circle.

CAIRNHOLY 517539. Chambered Cairn above Kirkdale Bridge off A75.

CALLY CASTLE 598554. Ruin of tower on old line of Fleet.

CALLY ESTATE OFFICE 601563, 18C school and half.

CALLY MOTTE 607556. Mound and ditch of 12C castle in wood by Bush Bridge.

CAMPHILL ENRIG 619543, Hill fort above A75.

CARDONESS CASTLE 591553, 15C Tower above Fleet.

CARSLUITH CASTLE 495542. 15C Tower on A75. (Possibly Scott's 'Ellangowan')

CLOCKTOWER 601564. Built 1871 by public subscription.

COX'S LODGE 602563. Probably an early toll house at top of Ann Street.

CUSHAT WOOD 603562. Academy built by James Murray 1797/99.

DRILL HALL 600567, Girthon School until 1927.

GLENQUICKEN 509582. Stone circle south of Corse of Slakes Road.

GIRTHON OLD CHURCH 605533, Church site from 13C, Stone to covenanter Robert Lennox.

perhaps by Robert Paterson (Scott's 'Old Mortality').

HARPERS HILL FORT 601573. Remains of rampart and ditch just inside tree line of Harper's field above Fleet Farm House.

KIRKDALE ICE HOUSE 516528. Recently re-erected beside A75 at Kirkdale Bridge.

MILL HOUSE 603564. Cotton factory, later saw mill.

MILL MARK 567553. Abandoned farm steading by Skyre Burn.

MILN OF BARLAE 602573, Corn mill on main lade. Birthplace of John Faed.

PORT MCADAM 595557. Drystane harbour recently re-opened for pleasure craft. Remains of hull of first craft to enter Port of Liverpool under its own steam, semi-submerged in rushes slightly upstream.

ROMAN FORT 596574. On east bank of Fleet approx. half mile from Gatehouse, Late 1st.C fort discovered from air 1949. Probably to guard ford on route from main camp Glenlochar to the west. Earth rampart and disches are just discernable from ground.

RUSCO TOWER 585605. 15C tower of Gordons and Carsons, Recently renovated, Traditionally whence Scott's "Young Lochinvar rode out of the West."

RUTHERFORD HALL 598562, 19C Free Church,

RUTHERFORD MONUMENT 587558, Granite obelisk erected c. 1842.

SKYREBURN MILL 567553. Corn mill on the Skyre Burn,

STANDING STONE 598574. In field beyond Girthon Cemetary.

TRUSTY'S HILL FORT 588561. Ramparts (some vitrification) and Pictish symbols (the Deli's Specs.)

TANNERIES 599563. Above main car park. Tan pits in field by car park.

TEMPLE 606543, Gothic folly in Temple Wood.



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