

2016



Inverclyde Libraries are delighted to announce their exciting programme of events for Book Week Scotland 2016.

We have a wide range of FREE events happening across all of our libraries. The following 'highlight' events are FREE but ticketed;

Discover Local Writers*

Come along to our author events with Rosemary Gemmell, Victoria Gemmell, Dave Watson and Vincent Gillen as they talk about their work and open the floor for questions.

The Norse of Inverclyde*

Join Alan Steel as he discusses the Norse of Inverclyde.

Family Discovery Day*

Join us at Central Library for a day of family fun with award winning author Alison Murray.

Please contact your local library to reserve a ticket for all events marked with an asterisk*

Our Locations:

Central Library

Wallace Place
Greenock, PA15 1JB
Phone: 01475 712323

South West Library

Barr's Cottage
Greenock, PA16 9HG
Phone: 01475 715667

Gourock Library

Kempock Place
Gourock, PA19 1QU
Phone: 01475 712340

Port Glasgow Library

Fore Street
Port Glasgow, PA14 5EQ
Phone: 01475 715629

Kilmacolm Library

Lochwinnoch Road
Kilmacolm, PA13 4LE
Phone: 01475 715621

Inverkip & Wemyss Bay Library

Wemyss Bay Primary School,
Ardgowan Road
Wemyss Bay, PA18 6AT
Phone: 01475 715676

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Programme

Monday 21st November -

Saturday 26th November



Monday 21st November

Discover the Past Exhibition, Gourock Library

Visit Gourock Library during Book Week Scotland to discover our new local history exhibition *Discover the Past*. The exhibition will feature books and materials from the Watt Library Collection and Inverclyde Archives.

Bookbug session, Gourock Library, 11:15-11:55

A discovery themed Bookbug session perfect for little ones and their families.

***The Norse of Inverclyde, Watt Hall, McLean Museum, 14:00-15:00**

The names of our houses, roads, woods and fields, can give us fresh insights into our past. The name of this farmhouse and that hill can tell us something of our cultures and peoples. We once were Celts, Britons, Gaels, Angles, Norman-French and, among others, *Norse*. The Norse place-names in Inverclyde can be used to identify their period, their settlements, their purpose, and why the community faded away and, our speaker, Alan Steel claims that the place-names can explain how the Norse came to Inverclyde by 'Airplane'.

***Discover Local Writers, Port Glasgow Library, 17:30-18:30**

Come along to Port Glasgow Library and meet local writers, and mother and daughter, Rosemary and Victoria Gemmell. Rosemary will read from her book *The Highland Lass*, a captivating romance story set in Inverclyde. Victoria will read from her award winning debut young adult novel *Follow Me*. Rosemary and Victoria will talk about how childhood memories and present day experiences influence their writing and will answer questions on their work.

Tuesday 22nd November

Bookbug session, Central Library, 12:00-12:40

A discovery themed Bookbug session.

Wednesday 23rd November

***Greenock Blitz, Central Library, 10:30-12:00**

Join us as local author and social historian Vincent Gillen talks about the Greenock Blitz and take the chance to ask him any questions you have about local history.

Thursday 24th November

Bookbug session, Gourock Library, 11:15—11:55

A discovery themed Bookbug session perfect for little ones and their families

Bookbug session, Inverkip Library, 14:15-14:45

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***Discover Local Writers, Gourock Library, 19:00—20:00**

Dave Watson (aka D. A. Watson) will be reading his Burns parody *Tam O'Shatner*. His debut novel *In the Devil's Name* earned him the title of 'the Christopher Brookmyre of horror'. With a further two books under his belt plus several short stories and some poetry join us at Gourock Library to discover more about Dave's experience as a writer and take the opportunity to ask him a question about his work.

Friday 25th November

Bookbug session, Port Glasgow Library, 10:00-10:40

A discovery themed Bookbug session perfect for little ones and their families.

Bookbug session, Port Glasgow Library, 11:00-11:40

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Bookbug session, South West Library, 13:30-14:10

A discovery themed Bookbug session perfect for little ones and their families.

Saturday 26th November

Family Discovery Day!

@ Central Library

***Alison Murray, 10:30-11:30**

Come along and join author Alison Murray as she introduces us to *Hare and Tortoise* (shortlisted for the Bookbug Picture Book Prize) followed by crafty fun for all the family. Suitable for children age 4-7 along with their parents and brothers and sisters.

Bookbug session, 11:30-12:00

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