

What's On

Summer 2021



Introduction

It's been a testing time over the last year and we're delighted that Mugdock Country Park has provided some light relief for everyone to get fresh air and exercise.

Now that restrictions are lifting, we are able to offer a summer events programme for outdoor activities*.

We have a new refreshed website at www.mugdock-country-park.org.uk. If you go to the 'What's On' page, there are some events which can now be booked online.

Public and staff safety is always our main priority and all our events are risk assessed and adhere to COVID guidelines.

We also have some self-led activities available from the Visitor Centre so just pop in or call **0141 956 6100** for more details.

We look forward to welcoming you soon.



*All events will be subject to COVID guidelines, at the time of the event, and will be amended or cancelled if required.

Scottish Opera - Pop-up Opera

Thursday 24th June - 12pm, 2.30pm or 4.30pm

Come to Mugdock and enjoy some opera featuring two of Gilbert & Sullivan's best-loved hits. For tickets and more information go to: <https://www.scottishopera.org.uk/shows/pop-up-opera-2021/> This is an outdoor event.

Wildlife Weans, Mugdock: Grassland Beasties

Friday 25th June 10:30am – 11:30am or 1pm – 2pm

Calling all 5yrs and under and their grown-ups! Explore the natural world through a series of fun Ranger led activities. As part of Insect Week 2021, tip toe through the grassland to discover all manner of tiny creatures that hop, crawl, jump and fly. **Booking essential** 0141 956 6100. Cost £3 per child.



Mugdock Sensational Safari: The Incredible Campsies!

Tuesday 29th June 1pm – 4pm

Calling all active 8-12 year olds! Join the Ranger to walk along the foothills of the Campsie Fells from Strathblane to Glengoyne, looking for wildlife and adventure along the way! **Booking essential** 0141 956 6100. Cost £12.

Wildlife Weans, Lenzie: Grassland Beasties of the Moss

**Wednesday 30th June 10.30am – 11.30am
or 1.30pm – 2.30pm**

Calling all 5yrs and under and their grown-ups! Explore the natural world through a series of fun Ranger led activities. Can you find a millipede or a moth, a spider or a slater? Search through a tiny world in the grassland. **Booking essential** 0141 956 6100. Cost £3.

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Wildlife Weans, Mugdock: Den Building

Friday 2nd July 10:30am – 11:30am or 1pm – 2pm

Calling all 5yrs and under and their grown-ups! Explore the natural world through a series of fun Ranger led activities. Use natural woodland materials to create a cosy den. **Booking essential** 0141 956 6100. Cost £3 per child.

Mugdock Big Game Adventure

Saturday 3rd July 11am - 1pm

A two hour fun adventure around Mugdock Park. Race against time (Gunsites), Hunt the haggis (Mugdock Castle), Stone skipping (Mugdock Loch) & Hide the Hairy Coo (Pheasants Wood). What to bring: Drink, snack, footwear that will get dirty, rain jacket and rucksack. **Booking essential** 0141 956 6100. Cost: £8 per child. Ages 8-12.

Mugdock Cross Country Dog Agility

Saturday 3rd July 3pm - 4pm

An hour of agility fun around Gallowhill with your pooch. Cross country course around our pond, over tree roots, jumping through hoops etc. Why not let us time you, your dog and your friends at this fun adventure for all the family!

What to bring: Your dog, treats and a lead. **Booking essential** 0141 956 6100. Cost: £4 per dog. Max. 12 dogs.

Mugdock's History and Mysteries

Wednesday 7th July 1pm – 3.30pm

Enjoy a Ranger led journey through time (no Tardis required!) From a 14th century castle, WWII gunsites, a Georgian mansion and a 1950's zoo...Mugdock has it all! **Booking essential** 0141 956 6100. Cost £7.

Wildlife Weans Mugdock: What's in the Pond?

Friday 9th July 10:30am – 11:30am or 1pm – 2pm

Calling all 5yrs and under and their grown-ups! Explore the natural world through a series of fun Ranger led activities. Can you catch a little fish, a damselfly nymph or even a pond snail? All pond equipment supplied. **Booking essential** 0141 956 6100. Cost £3 per child.



Craft with Clay

Saturday 10th July 10:30am-12pm or 2pm-3:30pm

Join Jo for a clay workshop and make some fun & interesting air dry clay objects. Suitable for 6-10 year olds. Wear something old as it can be a bit messy and bring a drink. MEET AT THE VISITOR CENTRE. **Booking essential** 0141 956 6100. Cost £7.

Mugdock Sensational Safari: Wildlife Recording (Parts 1 and 2)

Tuesday 13th July and Thursday 15th July 1pm – 4pm

Calling all active 8-12 year olds! Assist the Ranger in recording wildlife in the Country Park's woodlands. Come along for part 1 on the Tuesday and carry out survey work including setting up a camera trap. Come back for part 2 on the Thursday to look at the results. **Booking essential** 0141 956 6100. Cost £20 for 2 sessions.

Wildlife Weans Mugdock: Natural Art

Friday 16th July 10:30am – 11:30am or 1pm – 2pm

Calling all 5yrs and under and their grown-ups! Explore the natural world through a series of fun Ranger led activities. Search the woodland floor for materials to make your own animal creation. **Booking essential** 0141 956 6100. Cost £3 per child.

Lads 'n' Dads: Map Reading for Beginners

Tuesday 20th July 1pm – 3:30pm

Learn some handy map skills and navigate your way through the Country Park on this Ranger led activity. **Booking essential** 0141 956 6100. Cost £15 for one adult and one child.

Forest School – Cooking on the Fire

Wednesday 21st July 2pm – 4pm

Venture into the wilds of Mugdock with the Ranger to find dead wood, build a fire and cook something on it. For 8-12 year olds. **Booking essential** 0141 956 6100. Cost £8.

Wildlife Weans, Mugdock: Wee Beasties in a Big Wood!

**Friday 23rd July 10.30am – 11.30am
or 1.30pm – 2.30pm**

Calling all 5yrs and under and their grown-ups! Explore the natural world through a series of fun Ranger led activities. Can you find a millipede or a moth, a spider or a slater? Search through a tiny world under towering trees. **Booking Essential**
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Cost £7.

Forest school – Wild Woodcrafters

Sunday 25th July 2pm – 4pm

Join the Ranger and go to the woods, get a fire going, boil the kettle and fashion something from wood to take home with you. For 8-12 year olds. **Booking essential** 0141 956 6100.
Cost £8.

Forest school – Wild Woodcrafters

Tuesday 27th July 2pm – 4pm

Learn the skill of whittling and using natural materials to create wee water craft on this Ranger led event. A raft? A boat? Will yours float? For 8-12 year olds. **Booking essential** 0141 956 6100. Cost £8.

Milngavie Sensational Safari: Moorland and River

Wednesday 28th July 1pm – 4pm

Calling all active 8-12 year olds! Find out what lives in the Allander Water and the wide-open spaces of Drumclog Moor, on this 3-hour adventure with the Ranger Service. **Booking essential** 0141 956 6100. Cost £12.

Guided Walk: Gartshore Estate, Kirkintilloch Thursday 29th July 7pm – 8.30pm

Gartshore Estate on the outskirts of Kirkintilloch is steeped in cultural and natural history. Come along and find out all about this fascinating place, on this fact filled Ranger led walk. **Booking essential** 0141 956 6100. Cost £7.

Wildlife Weans, Mugdock: Animal Antics!

Friday 30th July 10:30am – 11:30am or 1pm – 2pm

Calling all 5yrs and under and their grown-ups! Explore the natural world through a series of fun Ranger led activities. Meet the friendly soft toy animals of Mugdock and discover what they do at this time of year. **Booking essential** 0141 956 6100. Cost £3 per child.

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August

Sensory Sunday – Forest School for wee folk

Sunday 1st August 2pm - 3pm

Venture into Mugdock's wild places, with the Ranger on this session of sensory activities for 1-5 year olds. Parents must accompany their wee folk. **Booking essential** 0141 956 6100. Cost £3.

Forest school – Survival tools

Tuesday 3rd August 2pm – 4pm

Using wood found in Mugdock's wild places, imagine you're in an older time and make a bow and some arrows. It may guarantee your survival. Ranger led activity. For 8-12 year olds. **Booking essential** 0141 956 6100. Cost £8.

Mugdock Sensational Safari: Into the Forest

Wednesday 4th August 1pm – 4pm

Calling all active 8-12 year olds! Discover the wildlife and wonders of the forests surrounding the Country Park on this 3-hour adventure with the Ranger Service. **Booking essential** 0141 956 6100. Cost £12.

Guided Walk: Campsie History

Thursday 5th August 6.30pm – 8.30pm

The area known collectively as Campsie, runs from Campsie Glen to Milton of Campsie and is steeped in cultural and natural history. Come along and find out all about this fascinating place, on this fact filled Ranger led walk. **Booking essential** 0141 956 6586. Cost £8.



Guided Walk: Carbeth & Back

Saturday 7th August 1pm – 4pm

Learn all about the fascinating history of the Carbeth huts and look out for wildlife, as you wander through ancient woodland and conifer plantation, past lochs and country estates. This six-mile, Ranger led, circular walk is mainly on level tracks with a few steep slopes. **Booking essential** 0141 956 6100. Cost £12.

Forest School – Marvellous Minibeast Monsters

Monday 9th August 2pm – 4pm

Venture into the wilds of Mugdock Wood with the Ranger. Explore the water and scour the land on your quest to find marvellous minibeast monsters. For 8-12 year olds. **Booking essential** 0141 956 6100. Cost £8.

Forest school – Teenage Woodcrafters

Wednesday 11th August 2pm – 4pm

Using tools under Ranger supervision, craft something amazing from wood found in Mugdock's wild places. For 13-16 year olds. **Booking Essential** 0141 956 6100. Cost £8.

Go Batty in Kirkintilloch

Friday 13th August 8:45pm – 9:45pm

Come along and learn about the real stars of the night! Search for perky pipistrelles and delightful Daubenton's on this bat-tastic Ranger led evening walk. **Booking essential** 0141 956 6100. Cost £5.

Go Batty in Bearsden

Saturday 14th August 8:45pm – 9:45pm

Come along and learn about the real stars of the night! Search for perky pipistrelles and delightful Daubenton's on this bat-tastic Ranger led evening walk. **Booking essential** 0141 956 6100. Cost £5.





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For further information on all listed events
and any updates, check our website at

www.mugdock-country-park.org.uk, also find us on

Facebook, Twitter or Instagram or pop into the

Park's Visitor Centre which is open **7 days**

a week **9am-5pm**



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How to get to Mugdock Country Park



By car – the Park is easily reached off the A81, one mile south of Strathblane and three miles north of Milngavie. Signposts will lead you to the car parks.

By public transport – The nearest train station is Milngavie, (3 miles from the Park) phone Scotrail on **0344 811 0141** for timetable information.

There is no scheduled bus service.
However, SPT My Bus Rural services
(East Dunbartonshire R600 and Allander R850) can be
booked in advance on **0345 128 4025**.