

FifeSing2025: Programme

Friday 16 May

The Gathering: (Lumsden Memorial Hall, Freuchie) 8.00pm - 10.30pm

This will be more of a singaround than a concert with songs and ballads from the guest artistes and participants - continuing as: Singaround: (Lomond Hills Hotel) 10.30pm - 12.30am

Saturday 17 May

Presentation (Lumsden Memorial Hall, Freuchie): 10.00am - 11.00am

Steve Turner: Napoleon - his rise and fall. From 1812 to Waterloo and St Helena, the story of Napoleon in song and music.

Illustrated Talk (Lumsden Memorial Hall, Freuchie): 11.30am - 12.30pm

Macdara Yeates: 'The Brown and the Yellow Ale' - Folk Song or Literary Invention? An exploration of the much misunderstood folk song 'The Brown and the Yellow Ale', its traditional origins and its multiple authors by Dublin's most iconic figures from James Joyce to Luke Kelly.

Buffet Lunch in Lumsden Memorial Hall

Ballad Concert (Lumsden Memorial Hall, Freuchie): 2.00pm - 5.00pm

The guests and participants with traditional ballads from their repertoire.
The classic big ballads - the muckle sangs.

Festival Dinner: (The Covenanter, Falkland) 5.30pm - 7.30pm

Dinner in the historic Covenanter Hotel just up the road from Falkland Palace.

Traditional Concert: (Falkland Community Hall) 7.30pm - 10.00pm

Old Songs & Bothy Ballads from the FifeSing Guests.

Singaround: (Lomond Hills Hotel) 10.30pm - 12.30am

An opportunity for more songs, some music and a bar till midnight.

Sunday 18 May

Illustrated Talk (Lumsden Memorial Hall, Freuchie): 10.30am - 11.30am

Pete Shepheard & Jimmy Hutchison: From the Scarriff Fleadh and Miltown Malbay to the Berryfields of Blair. The songs we heard, the singers and musicians we met and how this led to the founding of the Blairgowrie Festival in 1966 and the TMSA.

Interview (Lumsden Memorial Hall, Freuchie): 12.00 noon - 1.00pm

Chris Miles talks with Ellie Beaton and Kate Taylor about their varied influences and their enthusiasm for traditional Scottish song - with time for a few songs of course.

Buffet Lunch in Lumsden Memorial Hall

Farewell Concert (Lumsden Memorial Hall, Freuchie): 2.30pm - 4.30pm

The guest artistes lead a farewell concert.