



### ***What's on in Donaghadee and surrounding area, including***

- ***Dot Blakely – Bird Watch***
- ***Last Chance for Festival Promotion***
- ***A&ND BC Performance Plan***
- ***Events at your library***
- ***Info on clubs and organisations***

Further Information at [visitdonaghadee.com](http://visitdonaghadee.com)

If you have an event you wish to list email details to [info@visitdonaghadee.com](mailto:info@visitdonaghadee.com)



*Bird Watch with Dot Blakely*

Crommelin Wood

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April at 10am



**DONAGHADEE**  
THE BEACON ON THE COAST



## Donaghadee Summer Festival

### Organising a festival event?

Any group planning to organise an event as part of the Summer Festival and who wishes to publicise it in our brochure should make application to [info@visitdonaghadee.com](mailto:info@visitdonaghadee.com) before 19<sup>th</sup> April 2026

# Have Your Say



## Draft Performance Improvement Objectives for 2026/27

The Council is committed to listening to its residents and taking on board their views. Consultation will be open until 8th May 2026. If you have views on any aspect of the Council's work now is your opportunity. Take the survey here –

[https://engage.ardsandnorthdown.gov.uk/transformation/proposed-performance-improvement-objectives-2026-2/consult\\_view/](https://engage.ardsandnorthdown.gov.uk/transformation/proposed-performance-improvement-objectives-2026-2/consult_view/)

# What's On

Donaghadee Library  
April 2026

## Adult Events

### Friendly Fridays

Friday 10 and 24 April: 1:00pm - 2:00pm

Join us for engaging Easter/Spring games and activities.

### 1-2-1 Computer sessions

Monday 13 and 27 April: 10:00am - 4:00pm

Book an appointment with Beth for any IT help that you need.

### Dee Tales

Tuesday 21 April: 3:00pm - 4:00pm

Come along and listen to tales from Donaghadee and reminiscence.

### Inklings - NEW

Wednesday 29 April: 6:30pm - 7:30pm

Creative writing group to help you on your way to better mental health.

### Knit and Natter

Every Wednesday: 2:00pm - 3:30pm

If you enjoy knitting, crochet and a chat, please join us.

### Tea and Coffee Corner & Newspapers

Every Friday: 10:30am - 12:00noon

Easter Coffee morning on Friday 10 April, treats are on us. 

### Reading group books this month:

*We know you remember* by Tove Alsterdal

*The Great Gatsby* by F. Scott Fitzgerald

*Breakfast at Tiffany's* by Truman Capote

*Tom Lake* by Ann Patchett

*Did you see Melody* by Sophie Hannah



Ask staff for details  
For more information  
on any of the above  
t: 028 9188 2507  
e: donaghadee.library@librariesni.org.uk

Connect with us  
[www.librariesni.org.uk](http://www.librariesni.org.uk)



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## Children's Events

### Bedtime Storytime

Wednesday 15 April: 6:00pm - 6:30pm

Bring your favourite teddy and blanket and snuggle up with some bedtime stories.

### Earth Day at the Library

Wednesday 22 April: 3:00pm - 4:00pm

Help us to celebrate Earth day by designing your own plant pot.

### Chatterbooks

Tuesday 28 April: 3:30pm - 4:30pm

Have some fun with a craft activity and a discussion on this month's book; *Grimwood Party Animals* by Nadia Shireen

### Rhythm and Rhyme

Every Monday: 10:30am - 11:00am

Join us for rhymes, songs and a story.

### LEGO and Duplo Club

Every Saturday: 11:00am - 12:00noon

Join us for brick building fun in the Library.

Don't forget we will be closed for Easter on  
Monday 6 April and Tuesday 7 April.





### OPENING HOURS:

Mon: 10:00am - 5:00pm

Tues: 10:00am - 5:00pm

Wed: 1:00pm - 8:00pm

Thurs: 10:00am - 2:00pm

Fri: 10:00am - 5:00pm

Sat: 10:00am - 1:00pm



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# Research Study on Women's Running!

Please consider participating in a research study on women's experiences about running in public spaces in Belfast and surrounding areas!



## WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

If you are 18 or older, identify as a woman, and regularly run outdoors

## WHAT WILL YOU DO?

Participate in go-along interviews, participate in focus groups with 3 - 5 other women runners, and/or keep a journal of your running experiences



— Scan Me! —

**All fitness levels welcome!**



ANTIQUES ROADSHOW

BANGOR CASTLE, NORTHERN IRELAND



Find out more on how to attend at  
[www.bbc.co.uk/antiquesroadshow](http://www.bbc.co.uk/antiquesroadshow)

BBC STUDIOS

Factual **Entertainment**

PRODUCTIONS

**Bangor Castle on Sunday 26 July**



# DONAGHADEE YOUTH RUGBY: UNLOCK YOUR POTENTIAL.

THE 'CLUB SCHOOL WINDOW' OPPORTUNITY IS HERE!



## FOR PLAYERS (Year 8-14, U12-U18): SHARPEN YOUR GAME!

- Extra game time in friendly matches
- Specialist positional coaching
- Access to coaching masterclasses
- Make new friends and have fun



## FOR PARENTS: A SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITY.

- A safe, inclusive club environment
- Emphasis on player development and welfare
- A path to senior rugby
- Strong community and social aspect



## TRAINING:

EVERY WEDNESDAY 7-8 PM

@ DONALDSON PARK, DONAGHADEE.

## CONTACT US!



DIRECT MESSAGE FOR MORE INFORMATION



# Creative Donaghadee

**Accessible to ALL**

**Breaks down barriers to the Arts**

**Connects local creatives  
and community groups**

**Provides a platform for local  
artists and creatives**

**Supports and facilitates creative  
workshops, performances & events**

**Run by a team of volunteers  
supported by the  
Donaghadee Community  
Development Association**



**For more info & if you would like  
to get involved please email  
[creativedonaghadee@gmail.com](mailto:creativedonaghadee@gmail.com)**



# JUNIOR YOUTH CLUB

**Donaghadee Youth Centre**

Come and try new things, make new  
friends and have fun!



**P6-P7'S WELCOME!**

**MONDAY NIGHTS  
6:30 PM - 8:30 PM**

Registration Evening on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February  
at 6:30pm at Donaghadee Youth Centre,  
situated within Donaghadee Primary School.

Youth Club commencing on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March

For more information, contact Sophie at:  
[sophie.corry@eani.org.uk](mailto:sophie.corry@eani.org.uk)

New Year. New You. New Golf.

Donaghadee Golf Club

# SPECIAL Membership Offer



**15 Months for 12**

1 January 2026 - 31 March 2027

Applies to full time & restricted categories

\*New Members only or for former members who have not been members during the previous two years\*

Please contact office for further details:

☎ 028 9188 3624 (Option 3)

✉ [office@donaghadeegolfclub.com](mailto:office@donaghadeegolfclub.com)

Enjoy golf at Donaghadee Golf Club, set on the stunning North Down Coast with views over the Copeland Islands. Get active, meet new friends, and challenge yourself on our 18-hole links & parkland course.

# MATCH BALL SPONSORSHIP

ONLY £50

SOCIAL MEDIA POST

NEWSPAPER FEATURE

MATCH REPORT FEATURE

SEND US A DM FOR MORE INFORMATION



## Visit Donaghadee's Maritime Heritage Centre featuring the famous 'Sir Samuel Kelly' Lifeboat



Learn about Donaghadee's maritime heritage, our 1950s lifeboat and the bravery of her crew.

Find us in the Marina Car Park, Donaghadee. If the flag is flying, we are open!

We rely heavily on donations to continue our heritage work which is undertaken solely by volunteers.

We would like to thank you in advance for any small contribution that you could make to our efforts.

[www.deeheritage.co.uk](http://www.deeheritage.co.uk)



### Opening Hours

Please check our social media channels or website for changes or events.

Thursday: 7pm - 8.30pm

Friday: 2pm - 5pm

Saturday: 2pm - 5pm

Sunday: 2pm - 5pm

# Rainbows

**Is your daughter between the ages of 4 and 7? Join us at Rainbows!**

A fun and exciting programme for girls. It's all about learning by doing.

There's something in Rainbows for every girl, whatever her interests, abilities or background.

**Donaghadee Rainbow unit meets on  
Thursdays 6.15pm-7.15pm  
at Donaghadee Parish Church Hall**

Please register at  
<https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/information-for-parents/register-a-child/>



## DONAGHADEE PARISH CHURCH TODDLER GROUP

- Every Friday during Term Time starts  
19/09/2025
- 9.30am - 11.30am
- Fun Coffee Fellowship
- Crafts, Playdough, Toys & Song Time
- £2 per Parent/Grandparent/Carer
- All Welcome





South Eastern Health  
and Social Care Trust



## ***DONAGHADEE WELLBEING WALKING GROUP***

Improve your mental and physical health  
and get chatting to new people!

Everyone is welcome! Flat, gentle walk  
suitable for all who want to socialise and  
get moving!

Tuesday mornings  
10.30am – 11.30am  
Starting at The Commons Car Park,  
Donaghadee



Interested in joining? Book your place by calling Social Work  
Assistant, Sonia Weatherup 07718669214

This group is delivered by the Multi-Disciplinary Team in Donaghadee Health Centre



**Rotary**   
Club of Donaghadee

**Involvement in the local community** forms a key component of the Donaghadee Rotary (while having lots of fun at the same time). The photographs show recent events held by the Club:

**Human Fruit Machine (fun without technology!)**  
**Walking Treasure Hunt (Rotary event for all the family)**  
**Camera Obscura visit by Rotarians**

Fancy finding out more about Rotary, just visit:  
<http://donaghadeerotary.org/>  
to find out more.