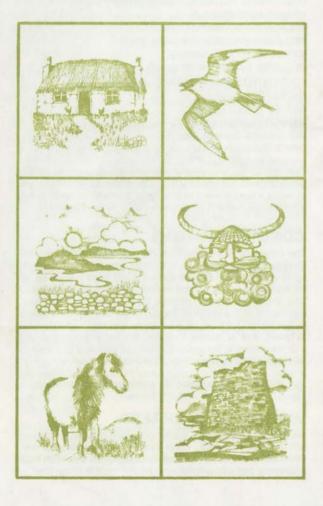
### SHETLAND – GET AWAY TO IT ALL

Shetland is a land of surprises — a group of over one hundred enchanting isles and skerries lying almost as close to Scandinavia as to Scotland. These are Britain's islands of Adventure, Discovery, and Activity and there is so much to see and do. Shetland is so different from any other part of the UK in scenery, culture and lifestyle that the British visitor could well imagine he was in another country.

Music is a way of life in Shetland where the traditional music played on the fiddle is very much alive and appreciated. The distincitive Shetland music has a strong and growing following in musical circles. Come and find out how strong and infectious its influence can be. We look forward to welcoming you to Shetland.



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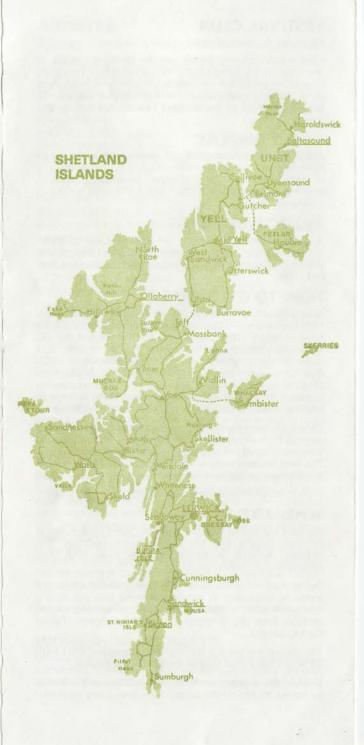


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COME ALONG and enjoy a unique musical experience in Shetland. If you like folk music then you'll really love Shetland. There is much to satisfy you with some top artistes, superb local talent and new discoveries in a great new setting.

1981 saw Shetland's first Folk Festival which was an outstanding event and an enormous success. Just hear how some of the visiting artistes and visitors rated it:

The Bestl I honestly think it's one of the best folk festivals I've been to - and the McCalmans have been to a few! The informal sessions have been the best of any festival. When the folk down south hear about this they'll all be here Ian McCalman next year. Fine and fantastic - but dossn't anybody sleep? **Dave Swarbrick** 

The land of the midnight fun is no place to come for a rest. Simon Nicol Thanks for the best weekend I've ever had. This Festival should have a Government Health Warning - nobody sleepsl **Dick Gaughan** Music, Music, everywhere. I love the spirit, energy and high times.

Abby Newton (United States) Really Great. I wish we had something even half as good back home.

The best of everything.

**Cilla Flaher** The only festival I've been to that really caters for the 'folk'. Great time.

Kathryn Tickell (Newcastle)

Artie Tresize We have been to many festivals all over the country but none have been anywhere near as good as Shetland. The line-up of artistes is the best I've ever George Faux (Hom Bru)

Not just a festival - an Experience. Too much good music ... too little sleep. Stoddigans!

Jim Bain (Wallochmor Ceilidh Band) V. Poulson Kapel (Denmark) Eva Säther (Sweden)

The 1982 Shetland Folk Festival is taking place from Thursday, 29th April, to Sunday, 2nd May, and the organising committee intend to build on the success of the first event and ensure an even greater and more memorable event next year. This is a community festival with concerts and dances taking place in various venues throughout the length and breadth of the islands as well as the main town of Lerwick.

Shetland has a unique musical tradition - the emphasis being on the fiddle, played with a distinctive style and a lively toetapping rhythm. The Festival will give a natural prominence to the fiddle and its exponents with overseas artistes, a variety of styles of playing, and demonstrations of fiddle making. To compliment Shetland's 'national' instrument there is a full programme of folk music, dance and poetry. As well as concerts, there will be 'foys', (the local name for a ceilidh), workshops and craft displays and demonstrations.

Many of the artistes coming to Shetland are internationally acclaimed but you will also be surprised at the wealth of local talent in the islands. Discover for yourself why Shetland holds such a unique reverence in the world of folk music, how the traditions are still very much alive, and how so much new material emanates from the islands.

Shetland hospitality is renowned and you can be assured of a warm welcome. 'Kum de wis' is a friendly invitation from the Shetlanders to come along. 'Do most kum'.

### ARTISTES

Just some of the artistes taking part (in no particular order) are:

DAVE SWARBRICK & SIMON NICOL (visiting) TOM ANDERSON & WILLIE JOHNSON (local) SPAELIMENNINIR I HOYDOLUM (visiting) WILLIE HUNTER (local) IOLAIR (visiting) **RHODA BULTER (local)** WHISTLEBINKIES (visiting) ALISTAIR ANDERSON (visiting) **BOBBY TULLOCH (local)** WALLOCHMOR CEILIDH BAND (visiting) HAUK & KNUT BUEN (visiting) SHETLAND'S YOUNG HERITAGE (local) **RONNIE COOPER (local)** MAGGIE ROBERTSON (local) PELLE & INGA JOHANSSON (visiting) KATHRYN TICKELL (visiting) CULLIVOE DANCE BAND (local) FENSTANTON MORRIS TEAM (visiting) **DA FUSTRA (local) ARCHIE FISHER** (visiting) **TREVOR HUNTER (local)** BOBBY EAGLESHAM (visiting) **DAVIE TULLOCH** (local)

The list is by no means comprehensive and is strictly provisional at this stage (Dec. '81). Many other artistes are showing a keen interest in coming to Shetland to perform and a full programme will be published prior to the Festival.

### **CONCERTS & FOYS**

The venues for the concerts are fairly widespread throughout Shetland so that you can visit rural communities and hear some very good local talent. Concerts and 'foys' are scheduled for Baltasound on the island of Unst. Mid Yell on the island of Yell, Voe in the north mainland, Walls in the west mainland, Hamnavoe on the island of Burra, Sandwick and Dunrossness in the south mainland, Symbister on the island of Whalsay, Tingwall, and of course, Lerwick. We recommend that you visit the events in the country areas and islands if you wish to fully appreciate Shetland's musical tradition.

Tick the box on the coupon for a programme of events.

### WORKSHOP & CRAFTS

Musical Workshops and a craft exhibition and demonstration will be held in Lerwick. These can be visited during the day, when the demonstrations of skill and expertise should be both interesting and educational.

### **FESTIVAL CLUB**

Club open to members only

Islesburgh Community Centre near the centre of Lerwick, is the venue for the Festival Club. This will not only provide good musical interludes, but will provide you with food, snacks and other forms of nourishment. The Festival Club will only be open to members of the Shetland Folk Festival Society and artistes.

### **CRAFT DISPLAY**

Shetland has a wide range of high quality crafts and many of these will be on display with demonstrations. Craft workshops will include stone polishing, silvercraft, sheepskin, papercraft, weaving, leathercraft, etc. The crafts will also be centred at Islesburgh House.

### MUSIC WORKSHOP

A range of music workshops will be held covering fiddle, accordion, guitar, dance and vocal. This will also take place at Islesburgh House for an integrated centre of music, food, bar, and crafts.

### **HOW TO GET THERE**

Sea transport is the most popular way to travel to Shetland and P&O Ferries m.v. St. Clair leaves Aberdeen for Shetland three times weekly. For the Festival we would recommend that you depart Aberdeen on the Wednesday evening (6 p.m., 28th April) to arrive in Shetland on the Thursday morning (8 a.m.). You could again depart (fully recovered, we hope!) from Shetland on the Tuesday (6 p.m., 4th May). The sea crossing is overnight both ways, and we expect these sailings to become 'Ceilidh Cruises', with lots of musicians on board.

Should you want the fastest route to Shetland, then fly British Airways from any major airport or Loganair from Edinburgh. Your travel agent will give you full details of times and costs. The most frequent route is via Aberdeen, where there are five direct scheduled flights a day to Shetland.

For a transport information leaflet, tick the box on the coupon.

### WHERE TO STAY

Shetland has a good selection of hotels, guest houses, bed & breakfast houses and self-catering accommodation. The capacity, however is limited, so you must book your accommodation before you arrive.

During the Festival it is likely that accommodation will be at a premium, particularly in Lerwick, so make sure you have a reservation well in advance by using the booking service available from the Shetland Tourist Organistation, Tourist Centre, Lerwick.

The camp site in Lerwick is being re-developed and WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE FOR USE at the time of the Festival.

Send for the accommodation register and further information by ticking the box on the coupon.

### **MORE DETAILS PLEASE**

The Shetland Folk Festival sounds great. Please send me more information so that I don't miss this unique event. I'd like details on:

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Accommodation
Transport
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Forward completed coupon to:

Shetland Folk Festival Society, P.O. Box 15, Lerwick, Shetland.

### HAVE YOU DONE IT YET?

If not, now is the time to join the Shetland Folk Festival Society. This will bring you the benefits of advance ticket purchase at attractive terms, as well as supporting the musical traditions of the Islands.

> Individual Membership: £2.00 Family Membership: £5.00

JOIN NOW by forwarding remittance with coupon