

**Alistair Anderson** has an international reputation as a performer of traditional music which he plays on English concertina and Northumbrian smallpipes. He is accompanying two other musicians from the North of England, Willie Taylor and Will Atkinson.

**Will Atkinson** was born in 1908 and has lived all his life in the North of England, working as a shepherd and rabbit-catcher. He plays a mean mouthie and, living near the border, includes both English and Scottish tunes in his repertoire.

**Amos and Rocks** got a standing ovation at the festival three years ago. Noel Rocks plays banjo, guitar, bazouki and Adam Amos plays guitar and harmonica. Their singing and playing appeals to contemporary and traditional audiences alike.

**Bill Barclay** comes from Edinburgh and is well known for his humorous stories and songs. He also played at the festival in 1982 when he proved his popularity.

**Bobby Brown** is leader of The Scottish Accent, one of Canada's best known Scottish dance bands. He will be accompanying Graham Townsend but will also be doing solo accordion spots.

**Geoffrey Butler** is the melodeon-playing founder member of the Newfoundland group Figgy Duff, which is a Newfoundland delicacy made up of all sorts.

**The Fabulous Salami Brothers** were one of the stars of last year's festival. They are returning to sing, dance, eat fire, perform stunts, illusions, escapology, juggle, and generally mystify, amaze and amuse.

**Howie Firth** has delighted Shetland audiences in previous years with his own brand of Orkney humour, and shows off his talents on the recorder by playing two at the same time.

**Danny Kyle** will be compering at the festival with a sense of humour which is guaranteed to turn the proceedings into total chaos.

## ARTISTS

**Walter McCorriskin** is the world's worst poet.

**Rodney Miller** is a fiddle player, teacher and instrument maker from New Hampshire. Rodney was in Shetland last summer and plays a wide range of traditional music in his own style — from rock through jazz to New England contra dance music. He will be accompanied by **Peter Barnes** on piano.

**Seamus O'Sullivan** was born in Glasgow but is of Irish descent. He has been playing accordion for 16 years, was All-Ireland champion on piano in 1980 and has been third in the Great Britain championships on accordion. He plays mainly for Irish dancers in competition, and at the festival will play for champion Irish dancers **Richard Nicholson** and **Margaret Robertson**.

**Martin Simpson** plays acoustic and electric guitars and five-string banjo. His music comes from a variety of sources including British and American traditional songs, blues, dance tunes, contemporary and country songs and airs. He is widely recognised as one of the best guitarists in Britain.

**This year's locals:** Tom Anderson and The Young Heritage; Robbie Pearson; Henry Henderson; Colin and Alan; Curly Jamieson; Horn Bru; Tom Leask; May Simpson; Garsters Dream Band; Johnny Boland; Pam Swing; Charlie and Elaine; the Shetland Fiddlers; the Cullivoe Band; the Northmavine Fiddle and Accordion Club Band; the Milkshakes; Personality Crisis; Dodo; Eddie Barclay; the Walls Dance Band; Humliband; Rhoda and Maggie; Ivor Polson; John Hutchison; Westside Fiddle & Accordion Club; Eart Kyent; Violet Tulloch; Willie Johnson; and many more.

**Sprangeen** are an all-female band from Edinburgh. Their instruments include double bass, concertinas, guitar, clarsachs, fiddle and penny whistles. They have been together for three years and have a growing reputation for their mainly Scottish traditional music.

**Tony & Suzie Sullivan** specialise in Irish traditional music. Tony (better known as Sully) is an All-Ireland tenor banjo champion and Suzie plays tin whistle and Bodhran. They live in Cheshire but have played throughout Britain and abroad. Their repertoire includes traditional folk, pub songs and ragtime.

**Willie Taylor** was born in the First World War and came from a family of fiddlers in the North of England. Although he started to play fiddle at an early age, he lost his index finger on his left hand after a farm accident when he was 15 and started to play the accordion. However, after some years he went back to his first instrument and his fine playing has won him many trophies.

**Robbie Shepherd** is well known radio and television personality from the North-East. His programmes, which include "Take the Floor" and "The Reel Blend" are avidly listened to in Shetland.

**Graham Townsend** needs little introduction. He's the Canadian fiddle champion with the worldwide reputation.

**Wallochmor Ceilidh Band** includes Freeland Barbour and Sandgy Coghill on accordion, Jim Barrie on fiddle, Gus Miller on drums and Neil McMillan on piano and bass. They are one of the top Scottish dance bands and are always welcome in Shetland.

**Wild Geese** reflect the highly developed musical culture of their native Ireland, firmly based in their traditional music and actively expressing this background in their own compositions.

## FESTIVAL OFFICE

### Tickets and Information

The Record Galley  
153a Commercial Street, Lerwick  
(Lerwick 5900)

Open from 9th April

10.00 am to 4.00 pm Monday to Friday,

9.00 am to 5.00 pm Saturday

## FESTIVAL MEMBERSHIP

Available from The Festival Office or by post — PO Box 15, Lerwick

Adult	£4.00
Child (under 16)	£2.00
Family (two adults plus two children under 14)	£8.00

(Membership needed for entry to Festival Club, except for workshops)

## FESTIVAL CLUB

Islesburgh Centre Open only to Members

Thursday	11 am to 12 midnight
Friday	11 am to 12 midnight
Saturday	11 am to 12 midnight
Sunday	11 am to 5 pm

Day Tickets, pay at door £1.00

Bar plus light meals

Daily singarounds led by Bob Hepburn

No admission after 11 pm

## TICKETS

Available from The Festival Office or from local shops

	Country	Garrison	Foy
<b>Members</b>			
Adult	£5.00	£3.00	£5.00
Child	£2.00	£1.50	£2.00
<b>Non-Members</b>			
Adult	£6.00	£4.00	£6.00
Child	£3.00	£2.50	£3.00

## Half-price for pensioners and holders of UB40s

Clickimin Children's Concert (no discount) £1.00

Garrison Sunday Concert (no discount) £3.00

All Workshops free except Jousting (£2 pay at door)

## RAFFLE

Big prizes to be won: tickets on sale at all venues, festival office and local shops

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# SHETLAND

# FOLK

# FESTIVAL

## 2nd to 5th May

### OFFICIAL PROGRAMME

### FREE

NOTE: This programme may be subject to change without prior notification

## Thursday, 2nd May

**OFFICIAL OPENING** at 1.00 pm in  
ISLESBURGH COMMUNITY CENTRE

**CLICKIMIN** 6.30 pm to 8.30 pm

**CHILDREN'S CONCERT** with:

DANNY KYLE  
WILD GEESE  
GEOFFREY BUTLER  
THE FABULOUS SALAMI BROTHERS

**TINGWALL** 7.30 pm

WILD GEESE  
MARTIN SIMPSON  
WILLIE TAYLOR, WILL ATKINSON  
& ALISTAIR ANDERSON  
HOM BRU  
CURLY JAMIESON  
WALTER McCORRISKEN  
*Dance to COLIN & ALAN*

**SKELD** 7.30 pm

GRAHAM TOWNSEND & BOBBY BROWN  
BILL BARCLAY  
SPRANGÉEN  
HENRY HENDERSON  
NORTHMAVINE FIDDLE & ACCORDION  
CLUB  
ROBBIE SHEPHERD  
*Dance to NORTHMAVINE FIDDLE &  
ACCORDION CLUB*

**FETLAR** 8.00 pm

AMOS & ROCKS  
RODNEY MILLER & PETER BARNES  
CHAMPION IRISH DANCERS  
ROBBIE PEARSON  
HUMLIBAAND  
HOWIE FIRTH  
*Dance to CULLIVOE BAND*

**GARRISON** 7.30 pm

TONY & SUZIE SULLIVAN  
FREELAND BARBOUR & SANDY COGHILL  
TOM ANDERSON & YOUNG HERITAGE  
GEOFFREY BUTLER  
THE FABULOUS SALAMI BROTHERS  
DANNY KYLE

**FESTIVAL CLUB** 9 pm to 1 am

*Dance to*  
FREELAND BARBOUR & SANDY COGHILL  
(Members only)

## Friday, 3rd May

**BRAE** 7.30 pm

GRAHAM TOWNSEND & BOBBY BROWN  
MARTIN SIMPSON  
CHAMPION IRISH DANCERS  
TOM LEASK  
MAY SIMPSON  
HOWIE FIRTH  
*Dance to WALLOCHMOR CEILIDH BAND*

**CUNNINGSBURGH** 7.30 pm

AMOS & ROCKS  
BILL BARCLAY  
TONY & SUZIE SULLIVAN  
TOM ANDERSON & YOUNG HERITAGE  
RHODA & MAGGIE  
DANNY KYLE  
*Dance to COLIN & ALAN*

**BALTASOUND** 7.30 pm

THE FABULOUS SALAMI BROTHERS  
RODNEY MILLER & PETER BARNES  
GEOFFREY BUTLER  
EART KYENT  
ROBBIE PEARSON  
ROBBIE SHEPHERD  
*Dance to WALLS DANCE BAND*

**GARRISON** 7.30 pm

WILD GEESE  
SPRANGÉEN  
WILLIE TAYLOR, WILL ATKINSON  
& ALISTAIR ANDERSON  
GARSTERS DREAM BAND  
JOHNNY BOLAND  
WALTER McCORRISKEN

**FESTIVAL CLUB WORKSHOP**

1.00 pm (members only)  
SALAMI SANDWICH

## Saturday, 4th May

**HILLSWICK** 7.30 pm

THE FABULOUS SALAMI BROTHERS  
RODNEY MILLER & PETER BARNES  
GEOFFREY BUTLER  
SHETLAND FIDDLERS  
CHARLIE & ELAINE  
HOWIE FIRTH  
*Dance to CULLIVOE BAND*

**SCALLOWAY** 7.30 pm

WILD GEESE  
BILL BARCLAY  
WILLIE TAYLOR, WILL ATKINSON  
& ALISTAIR ANDERSON  
HOM BRU  
THE MILKSHAKES  
WALTER McCORRISKEN  
WESTSIDE FIDDLE &  
ACCORDION CLUB  
*Dance to THE MILKSHAKES*

**WHALSAY** 7.30 pm

GRAHAM TOWNSEND & BOBBY BROWN  
SPRANGÉEN  
TONY & SUZIE SULLIVAN  
PERSONALITY CRISIS  
IVOR POLSON & JOHN HUTCHISON  
DANNY KYLE  
*Dance to WALLOCHMOR CEILIDH BAND*

**GARRISON** 7.30 pm

AMOS & ROCKS  
MARTIN SIMPSON  
CHAMPION IRISH DANCERS  
PAM SWING  
DODO  
EDDIE BARCLAY  
ROBBIE SHEPHERD

**FESTIVAL CLUB WORKSHOPS**

(open to non-members)  
JUGGLING 2.30 pm  
FIDDLE 2.30 pm  
TENOR BANJO 3.00 pm  
ACCORDION (Irish &  
Newfoundland) 3.30 pm

## Sunday, 5th May

**FESTIVAL CLUB WORKSHOPS**

(Open to non-members)  
JOSTING 12.30 pm  
IRISH DANCE 2.30 pm  
STYLES OF FIDDLING 3.00 pm

**GARRISON** 3.00 pm

**SHAM ROCK CONCERT** with:  
WILD GEESE  
TONY SULLIVAN  
AMOS & ROCKS  
CHAMPION IRISH DANCERS  
DANNY O'KYLE  
O'SALAMI BROTHERS

**FESTIVAL FOYS** 7.30 pm

See most of the acts at:  
LERWICK HOTEL  
SHETLAND HOTEL  
GRAND HOTEL  
FESTIVAL CLUB (members only)

**CRAFT MARKET: Islesburgh**

Open FRIDAY, SATURDAY & SUNDAY,  
11 am to 4 pm, includes:

SILVERWORK  
PHOTOGRAPHY  
PAINTINGS  
KNITWEAR  
WOODCRAFT  
LEATHER WORK  
GLASS WORK  
EMBROIDERED PICTURES  
CROCHET WORK  
SHEEPSKIN PRODUCTS  
KISHIE MAKING  
FIDDLE MAKING  
STONE POLISHING

*PLUS:*  
a full exhibition and demonstration of Shetland  
knitting, carding and spinning.