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**20TH SHETLAND  
FOLK FESTIVAL  
PROGRAMME**

**SFFS** 27th - 30th  
April  
**2000**

**Shetland Folk Festival Society**

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**FESTIVAL SHOP**

The shop is open from the ~~10th~~ <sup>9m</sup> to ~~24th~~ <sup>23rd</sup> April at 5 Burns Lane, at the following times  
Mondays and Thursdays .....6pm-8pm  
Saturdays .....12 Noon-4pm

Last day of Festival Shop at Burns Lane is Monday the ~~24th~~ <sup>23rd</sup> April.

And from ~~27th~~ <sup>26th</sup> to the ~~30th~~ <sup>28th</sup> April at the Festival Club, Islesburgh, at the following times  
Thursday & Friday .....11am-4pm  
Friday/Saturday .....12 Noon-4pm  
<sub>2pm</sub>



# SHETLAND FOLK FESTIVAL 2000

## MEMBERSHIP/TICKET BOOKING FORM

POSTAL ADDRESS
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Contact Phone Number

Membership Names	Date of Birth (Required for all members)
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TICKETS/MEMBERSHIPS		MEMBERS						NON-MEMBERS						
Date	Venue	C	Adult	No	C	Conc	No	C	Adult	No	C	Conc	No	Total
Thursday	Bressay		£5			£3			£8			£4		£
	Shetland Hotel		£6			£4			£9			£5		£
	Festival Club		£6			£4								£
	Gulberwick		£5			£3			£8			£4		£
	Sandwick Social Club		£5			£3			£8			£4		£
Friday	Vidlin		£5			£3			£8			£4		£
	Hamnavoe		£5			£3			£8			£4		£
	Festival Club		£6			£4								£
	Cullivoe		£6			£4			£9			£5		£
	The Clickimin Stomp		£7			£7			£9			£9		£
Saturday	Clickimin		£8			£4			£11			£5		£
	Festival Club		£6			£4								£
	Aith		£5			£3			£8			£4		£
	Brae		£5			£3			£8			£4		£
Sunday	Shetland Hotel		£5			£3			£7			£4		£
Foy's	Clickimin		£9			£4			£13			£6		£
	Festival Club		£9			£4								£
	Shetland Hotel		£9			£4			£13					£
MEMBERSHIPS			Adult	No		Child	No		Family	No				£
			£12			£5			£24					

<b>Remittance Enclosed</b>	£
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Payment Details		
Type	<input type="checkbox"/> Visa/Mastercard/Access/Cheque <span style="float: right; font-size: small;">Delete as appropriate</span>	
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Signature	<input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>	

A receipt will be issued for all advanced memberships. This receipt must be produced to receive your wrist band, during the festival. More details will be sent to you with your tickets and receipt.

**NOTES**  
 All details must be filled in, please use capitals. All members must state their date of birth. **Please also include a contact telephone number**, so that we can contact you if there are any problems and if paying by credit card do not forget to sign the form. **Please indicate your 1st and 2nd choice of venues in the column marked C for a particular day.**

Make your cheques payable to SFFS.  
 Post this form with your payment and mark the envelope **BOOKING FORM** to:

Membership Secretary,  
 SFFS,  
 5 Burns Lane,  
 Lerwick,  
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## THURSDAY 27th APRIL

**OFFICIAL OPENING** 1:00pm  
 By Shonagh Irvine from the  
**Scottish Arts Council** at The Festival Club  
 First chance to see the visiting artistes 1:00pm  
**Lerwick British Legion Pipe Band** 12:30-1:00pm

*Concert at* 7:30pm  
**Bressay Hall** (Doors open at 7:00pm)  
 Awatiñas  
 Bluegrass etc.  
 Balfa Toujourns  
 Sing Shetland  
 Arco  
 The Bleach Boys  
 Slim & Slam

*Shetland and Irish Dance night at* 7:30pm  
**The Shetland Hotel** (Doors open at 7:00pm)  
 Shetland Folkdance  
 House tae Hoose with Irish Dancers  
 Graham Edwardson's Shetland Band

*Concert at* 7:30pm  
**Festival Club** (Doors open at 7:00pm)  
 in association with **CDs Studio**  
 Loyko  
 Vasmalom  
 Bap Kennedy  
 The Shetland Fiddlers Society  
 Fred's Band  
 Solan  
 Magic Bob/Peter Lynch

*Concert at* 7:30pm  
**Gulberwick** (Doors open at 7:00pm)  
 Imbizo  
 Briegie Murphy with Rory Cunnane  
 The Old Rope String Band  
 Steve Kaufman  
 Northmavine Fiddle and Accordion Club  
 Leonard's Band  
 The Splott Brothers

*Concert at* 7:30pm  
**Sandwick Social Club** (Doors open at 7:00pm)  
 The Felsons  
 North Cregg  
 Catriona Macdonald Trio  
 Shoormal  
 The Izzy Swanson Quartet  
 Donald Anderson  
 Frank Robb

## FRIDAY 28th APRIL

*Playgroup Concert* 11.00am-12.00pm  
**Downstairs in Islesburgh**

*Workshop - Singing*  
**At Festival Club (Room 10)** Starts at 1.00pm  
 With Briegie Murphy, Anne Sinclair, Caroline Hewitt, Laura Ellis and Danny Couper.

*Concert at* 7:30pm  
**Vidlin** (Doors open at 7:00pm)  
 Loyko  
 Imbizo  
 Steve Kaufman  
 Sheila Henderson  
 Filiska  
 Square da Mizzen  
 Frank Robb

*Concert at* 7:30pm  
**Hammavae** (Doors open at 7:00pm)  
 The Felsons  
 Balfa Toujourns  
 The Old Rope String Band  
 Vasmalom  
 Shetland Folkdance  
 Shetland's Young Heritage  
 The Splott Brothers/Magic Bob

*Concert at* 7:30pm  
**Festival Club** (Doors open at 7:00pm)  
 Awatiñas  
 Catriona Macdonald Trio  
 Briegie Murphy with Rory Cunnane  
 Hom Bru  
 The Shining Pool  
 Folk 'n' Jazz  
 Slim & Slam

*Concert and Dance at* 7:30pm  
**Cullivoe** (Doors open at 7:00pm)  
 Bluegrass etc.  
 North Cregg  
 Bap Kennedy  
 Strings 'n' Things  
 F.M.G.  
 Peter & Friends  
 Peter Lynch  
 Alan Nicolson Dance Band

9.00pm  
**The Clickimin Stomp** (Doors open at 8.30pm)  
 Suppository Business  
 Mad Mental Ceilidh Band

## SATURDAY 29th APRIL

*Workshop - Fiddle* 1:00pm  
**At Festival Club (Room 10)**  
 "300 years of Shetland Fiddle Music in 60 minutes" presented by The Shetland Fiddlers Society (Aged 40)

*Youth Concert* 2:00pm  
**At Festival Club (Room 16)**  
 New Tradition  
 High Strings  
 Shetland Youth Jazz

*Kids Entertainment with a surprise guest* 2:00pm  
**Downstairs in Club**

*Magic Show* 3:00pm  
**At Festival Club (Room 10)**

*Concert at* 7:30pm  
**Clickimin Centre** (Doors open at 7:00pm)  
 Awatiñas  
 Imbizo  
 Loyko  
 Catriona Macdonald Trio  
 Bluegrass etc.  
 Rolf Harris  
 Slim & Slam

*Concert at* 7:30pm  
**Festival Club** (Doors open at 7:00pm)  
 in association with **Veesik Records**  
 The Felsons  
 House tae Hoose  
 The Old Rope String Band  
 Fiddlers' Bid  
 Shetland Clarsach Group  
 John Flanagan  
 The Splott Brothers

*Concert at* 7:30pm  
**Aith** (Doors open at 7:00pm)  
 North Cregg  
 Steve Kaufman  
 Vasmalom  
 Anne Sinclair  
 Bryan Gear  
 Hen's Teeth  
 Peter Lynch

*Concert at* 7:30pm  
**Brae** (Doors open at 7:00pm)  
 Bap Kennedy  
 Balfa Toujourns  
 Briegie Murphy with Rory Cunnane  
 Sheepdip  
 Westside Fiddle and Accordion Club  
 Albany  
 Frank Robb

## SUNDAY 30th APRIL

*Workshop - Dance* 1:00pm  
**At Festival Club (Room 16)**  
 With House tae Hoose and Irish Dancers  
 Shetland Folkdance

*Singing Concert at* 2:00pm to 4:00pm  
**Shetland Hotel** (Doors open at 1:30pm)  
 Imbizo  
 Briegie Murphy with Rory Cunnane  
 Caroline Hewitt  
 Anne Sinclair  
 Sheila Henderson  
 Danny Couper

*Last chance to see visiting artistes at*  
**Festival Foys** 7:00pm  
 Clickimin Centre (Doors open at 6:30pm)  
 Islesburgh Community Centre  
 Shetland Hotel

### FESTIVAL CLUB

Islesburgh Community Centre  
 King Harald Street, Lerwick



**ENTRY BY MEMBERSHIP ONLY**

Thursday and Friday	11am-3am (Upstairs) 5pm-3am (Downstairs)
Saturday	11am-3am (Both floors)
Sunday	11am-4pm (Both floors)

**CLUB CLOSES SUNDAY AT 4PM**  
**Club will re-open after the Foy has finished till 3am**

### BAR

**FESTIVAL/REAL ALE BAR** (Upstairs)  
 Open 11am-1am (Thur/Fri/Sat)  
 11am-4pm, 6pm-1am (Sun)

### CLUB RULES

Entry is restricted to year 2000 Members only.  
 Wrist bands must be shown.  
 Under 14's are not permitted in the Club after 1am and must be accompanied by a responsible adult at all other times. 14 to 16 year olds are permitted after 1am as long as they are accompanied by a responsible adult.  
 Workshops are for members only.  
 Bar and light meals available.

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## INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the 20th Shetland Folk Festival. As this is our Millennium special, we have brought back some of the favourite performers from past years along with a selection of new faces.

In this leaflet you will find a combined ticket and membership booking form. We would ask that you complete these as soon as possible and return them, as per the instructions on the booking form to 5 Burns Lane, Lerwick. Please note that several of the venues may be sold out early, especially the Festival Club, therefore applications will be dealt with strictly in order of receipt.

## FESTIVAL MEMBERSHIP

### DETAILS

The prices are as follows:

Child	£5
Adult	£12
Family	£24 (2 adults and 2 children)

To qualify for a child's membership applicants must be under 16 on the first day of the Festival. Membership entitles you to gain entry into the Festival Club, which is situated at Islesburgh Community Centre.

### TICKET PRICES

MEMBERS	Adults	Concessions
Concert	£5.00	£3.00
Festival Club Concert	£6.00	£4.00
Concert and Dance	£6.00	£4.00
Clickimin Stomp	£7.00	£7.00
Clickimin Concert	£8.00	£4.00
Singing Concert	£5.00	£3.00
Festival Foyes	£9.00	£4.00

### NON MEMBERS

Adults	Concessions	
Concert	£8.00	£4.00
Concert and Dance	£9.00	£5.00
Clickimin Stomp	£9.00	£9.00
Clickimin Concert	£11.00	£5.00
Singing Concert	£7.00	£4.00
Festival Foyes	£13.00	£6.00

Tickets are available from the Festival Shop. Access, Visa and Mastercard credit cards and cheques are accepted. Any unsold tickets will be available at the door of the venue on the night.

NOTE: Tickets are non-transferable and non-refundable. Concessions are Senior Citizens, Children (under 16), Students and those in receipt of Social Security Benefit, Income Support or Job Seekers Allowance.

The Management of the Clickimin Centre have asked that Flat or Wedged heeled shoes are worn at that venue.

## THANKS TO OUR SPONSORS



All information was correct at the time of going to press. The Shetland Folk Festival Society reserve the right to alter times, artistes and venues as conditions and circumstances demand.

## MUSIC ROOM

There will be hand made instruments for sale in the SNOOKER ROOM in the Festival Club between Thursday 28th to Saturday 29th April from 11.00am to 5.00pm. This is open to members only.

## REAL ALE BAR

The Real Ale bar is situated alongside the Festival Club Bar in Islesburgh Community Centre. We are hoping for another Festival ale from the Unst Valhalla Brewery this year, to add a new local flavour to the wide range of existing real ales provided. The Real Ale people would like to thank both Orkney and Valhalla Breweries for the use of the Real Ale equipment in use at the bar.

## MERCHANDISE

Merchandise will be on sale at the Festival Shop and within the Club. Items include t-shirts, polo shirts, back-packs, wallets and stickers, all emblazoned with the Festival Logo.

## CD - "20 YEARS ON ..."

To commemorate 20 years of folkling about, we present our compilation CD "20 Years On ..." released on the Veesik Records label. The CD contains a variety of tracks from both visiting and local Artistes performing at the 20th Festival. This CD will be launched at the opening ceremony on the 27th of April and will be sold at all venues and Festival Club.

## and finally COMPETITION

Win two tickets to a concert of your choice and the "20 Years On ..." compilation CD, simply by answering the following questions:

1. Which of the following was an early Folk Festival publicity phrase?

- a) Kum along
- b) Kum in about
- c) Kum de wis

2. In which year did Vasmalom first appear at the Folk Festival?

- a) 1990
- b) 1992
- c) 1994

Send your answers marked 'Competition' on a postcard to the Shetland Folk Festival office by 15 April 2000.

## THANKS

The committee wish to thank P&O Scottish Ferries, Islesburgh Community Centre, Shetland Islands Council, Veesik Records, CDs Studio, The Construction Centre Group Ltd., LHD Marine Supplies Ltd., Clydesdale Bank Plc, Helen Mouat, Scottish Arts Council, Shetland Arts Trust for their generosity and all locals who have helped in any way towards the success of the 20th Festival.

## VISITING ARTISTES' LOCAL ARTISTES & MC'S

### AWATINAS

One of the outstanding acts of 1993. Formed in 1970, this group of Aymaran Indians have resolved to protect the cultural integrity and musical traditions of Bolivia. It is a culture that pre-dates the Spanish conquest of South America. Their songs encompass an oral tradition handed down through centuries and melodies that only indigenous instruments will reproduce. "It is a music which is exotically authentic".

### BALFA TOUJOURS

When it comes to Cajun music this Louisiana family band are the genuine article. They are led by Christine Balfa, daughter of the late legendary 'Cajun Ambassador' Dewey Balfa, on guitar and vocals; Dirk Powell on accordion and second fiddle; Kevin Wimmer on lead fiddle and Craig Guillory on bass. They combine the ancient traditions with a youthful vibrancy which is the essence of Cajun music.

### BAD KENNEDY

This "Honky tonk country boy from Belfast city" has since going solo from Energy Orchard, become one of Ireland's leading exponents of Country folk. Bap Kennedy has worked with the likes of Nanci Griffiths, BJ Cole and his 1999 album 'Domestic Blues' was produced and mixed by none other than Steve Earle in the Country Capital of the World - Nashville.

### BLUEGRASS ETC.

A four piece American band of 'hard hitting', instrumentally expert and vocally precise musicians. Bluegrass etc. are John Moore on mandolin and guitar, an accomplished movie soundtrack session artiste, multi-instrumentalist Dennis Caplinger, bassist Steve Spurgil and award winning guitarist Curtis Jones. In Bluegrass terms "these guys will blow your hat in the creek".

### BRIEGE MURPHY & RORY CUNNANE

Since releasing her first album in 1995 singer songwriter Briega Murphy has performed at various festivals both at home and on the international stage. She is considered by many as "one of Northern Ireland's finest songwriters". Making a welcome return to Shetland she will be appearing with the 'charismatic' young guitarist Rory Cunnane.

### CATRIONA MACDONALD TRIO

Outstanding Shetland fiddler, a former pupil of the late Tom Anderson, her musical style can be described as "technically fluid and lusciously expressive". With an impressive career to date, this year saw the release of her well overdue first solo album 'Bold'. Two of the musicians from that album - Conrad Ivitsky and David

Milligan - will be appearing with her at the Festival. Conrad is best known as the bass player from Shoogenifty and David is "widely recognised as one of Scotland's most inventive young pianists".

### IMBIZO

Are a ten man acappella performing arts group. They explore through the vivid language of music and vigorous rhythm of dance, the cultural development of Zimbabwe. Beginning with traditional songs and dances of the Zulu tribe, then the age of the diamond miner and their gumboot dances, to the present day and the Pantsula township jives. A journey which has been performed to much critical acclaim both at home and abroad.

### LOYKO

Making a welcome return are this phenomenal Russian Gypsy trio - an inspired choice back in 1997. Their music draws on a Gypsy tradition that spans three hundred years delivered in their own inimitable style. Comprising two dazzling violinists - Serei Erdenko and Oleg Ponomarey, and the superb Vadim Koulitskii on guitar. Their style is at times fast and furious but can also be extremely emotive and passionate. "It's a music that verges on theatre".

### NORTH CREGG

An exhilarating Irish folk band, mixing the elements of the *Shabh Luachra* tradition of Cork and Kerry with touches of swing and bluegrass to produce a sound which is both fresh and innovative. North Cregg are Christy Leahy on high energy accordion, Caoimhin Vallely on fiddle. Paul Meehan, virtuoso Banjo player, pianist Ciaran Couhland, percussionist Martin Leahy and guitarist John Neville.

### STEVE KAUFMAN

A multi-award winning 'flatpicking' guitarist, Steve Kaufman started picking the guitar at 14, and has since 1976 been wowing crowds across America. His musical style includes Bluegrass, Irish and Appalachian tunes and Country Folk Classics. A versatile performer, his playing speed is outstanding but never sacrifices tone - he is a 'pick' master at work.

### THE FELSONS

Since performing at the festival back in 1998, this Edinburgh-based band have released their second album 'Glad' performed at 'T in the Park' and toured the UK with The Mavericks. If categorised, their main influence would be Country, but 'think powerful melodies, passionate vocals and gritty, muscular guitars' not 'stetsons, spurs or schmalz'.

### THE OLD ROPE STRING BAND

Are seriously MAD, but we love them dearly as this will be their fourth Festival appearance. They are a trio of highly entertaining talented musicians who mix madcap acrobatic antics with music to a hysterical degree. Watch out for their 'Fish Tank' speciality.

### VASMALOM

A favourite from the 12th Festival this Budapest based group are back to enthral with their eclectic instrumentation and ethnicity. Fujara, hurdy gurdy, cimbalom and darbuka are some of the instruments used in the production of their unique sound. Founded in 1981, they have extensively toured Europe to become one of the best known Hungarian ethno bands performing.

### ROLF HARRIS & BERNARD O'NEILL

Making a special guest appearance

### MC'S

PETER LYNCH - Another visit from our large Irish friend from Norway.

MAGIC BOB - Never mind the kids, I can't figure it out! Quick fire sleight of hand, mirrors or 'could it be MAGIC!'

FRANK ROBB - Tuneful ad-lib humour. Watch out, keep still, and you'll not get caught in the lyric crossfire.

SLIM & SLAM - Pyrotechnic wizards who have been known to turn up the heat and 'jazz' it up a bit.

THE SLOTT BROTHERS - The Fezzians of street theatre, a fun cocktail of eccentric cabaret, comic stupidity and cheesy music.

DANNY COUPER - There is something fishy about this Aberdonian man. Is it the songs he sings?

### SESSION ARTISTES

Leo McCann, Douglas Montgomery and others.

### LOCAL ARTISTES

Include: Albany, Donald Anderson, Arco, Beat Route, The Bleach Boys, Fiddlers' Bid, Filiska, John Flanagan, F.M.G., Folk 'n' Jazz, Fred's Band, Bryan Gear, Graham Edwardson's Shetland Band, Laura Ellis, Lerwick British Legend Pipe Band, Hen's Teeth, Caroline Hewitt, High Strings, Hom Bru, Idle Gossip, The Izzy Swanson Quartet, Leonard's Band, Mad Mental Ceilidh Band, New Tradition, Alan Nicolson Dance Band, Northmavine Fiddle & Accordion Club, Peter & Friends, Revolver, Sheepdip, Sheila Henderson, Shetland Clarsach Group, The Shetland Fiddlers Society, Shetland Folkdance, Shetland's Young Heritage, Shetland Youth Jazz, The Shining Pool, Square Da Mizen, Strings 'n' Things, Sufferin' Aunties, Suppository Business and Westside Fiddle & Accordion Club.