

COOISH

MANX LANGUAGE FESTIVAL

6 – 10 November 2024

Island-wide events for all ages and abilities

Curious about Manx?
Already learning?
A confident speaker?

There'll be something for you!

slaynt vie!
(cheers!)

laa mie!
(good day!)

gura mie ayd!
(thank you!)

kys t'ou?
(how are you?)

failt!
(welcome!)

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(fine)

www.learnmanx.com/cooish

Wednesday 6 November

Jecrean

- **10am – 11am: Come and try Manx!**

Pop-up Manx class for total beginners. Learn greetings, how to introduce yourself and others, and ask for and offer refreshments in Manx!

Limited space: email gaelg@culturevannin.im

Hosted by Culture Vannin in partnership with Rushen Heritage Trust.

Venue: Rushen Heritage Trust, Port Erin

- **12pm – 1pm: Cozy Lunchtime Cooish**

Grab a bite to eat, and join a friendly group of Manx speakers for a chat. All welcome!

Venue: Atrium, Tower House, Douglas

- **6pm – 7pm: Ned Maddrell Lecture**

“Thomas Christian’s *Pargeiys Caillit*: Manx masterpiece”, Prof. Max W. Wheeler. Lecture in English giving a fresh appraisal of the Manx retelling of Milton’s epic poem *Paradise Lost*.

Hosted by Possan Ronsee Gaelgagh – Manx Language Research Group (Yn Çheshaght Ghailckagh), with support from Manx National Heritage.

Venue: iMuseum, Douglas

- **6.30pm – 8pm: Family games night**

Run by, and for, young people! Fun, easy games in Manx, run by QEII Manx club. Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult. FREE entry but bring some money for refreshments! Food available from 6pm.

Hosted by Possan Gaelg and DESC’s Manx Language Unit.

Venue: Black Dog Pizza Oven, Peel

- **8pm onwards: Manx conversation**

All welcome to join Chris Lewin & friends

Venue: Woodbourne Pub, Douglas

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Thursday 7 November

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- **9.15am – 10am: Useful Manx phrases**
Get familiar with 'by vie lhiat?' and 'by vie lhiam' in this open Manx class. Suitable for all levels.
Limited space: email gaelg@culturevannin.im
Hosted by Culture Vannin.
Venue: Greens Café, St. John's
- **11am – 11.45am: Fun with numbers**
Open Manx class suitable for all levels.
Limited space: email gaelg@culturevannin.im
Hosted by Culture Vannin.
Venue: Greens Café, St. John's
- **12pm – 1pm: Cozy lunchtime cooish**
Grab a bite to eat, and join a friendly group of Manx speakers for a chat. All welcome!
Please email gaelg@culturevannin.im by 4th November to let us know that you're coming.
Hosted by Culture Vannin.
Venue: Greens Café, St. John's
- **7pm – 9pm: Games night**
Easy, fun games in Manx – suitable for all levels. Everyone welcome!
Cost: £2 to include tea and biscuits.
Hosted by Culture Vannin.
Venue: Port Erin Methodist Hall
- **8pm onwards: Manx conversation**
All welcome to join Breeshey Kermode & friends
Venue: Whitehouse Pub, Peel

The Cooish is brought to you by a partnership of organisations and individuals. Come and join in!

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(how are you?)

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Friday 8 November

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- **10am – 10.45am: Manx songs and rhymes for mini musicians**
Fun for children aged 0-4 years old (with a parent/carer).
£2 per child. Booking essential: www.manninmusic.shop
Hosted by Mini Musicians by Mannin Music.
Venue: Mannin Music Studio, Pulrose
- **10am – 11am: Manx conversation**
All welcome!
Hosted by Tantaran.
Venue: Mad Hatter's Café, Ramsey
- **12pm – 1pm: Cozy lunchtime cooish**
Grab a bite to eat, and join a friendly group of Manx speakers for a chat. All welcome!
Venue: The Kitchen Table, Rowany Golf Club, Port Erin
- **7.30pm: Concert: Scottish duo Joy Dunlop & Ron Jappy**
BBC presenter and Scottish Gaelic singer Joy Dunlop is joined by guitarist Ron Jappy for a night of sparkling entertainment!
With support from Manx Gaelic choir Un Chorraa.
Cost: £12.50 / £5 under 16s – tickets at www.ynchruinnaght.com
Hosted by Yn Chruinnaght Celtic Gathering
Venue: Peel Centenary Centre

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Saturday 9 November

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- **10am – 2pm: Café Mooinjer Veggey**

Come along for some Manx chat, warming drinks, delicious cakes and light lunches! There'll be some fun activities for little ones, too.
Hosted by Mooinjer Veggey.

More information available on www.learnmanx.com/cooish

Venue: Atholl Room, Peel Centenary Centre

Workshops

Workshops will be held at the church and Guild Room at Peel Methodist Church on Atholl Street, Peel (across the road from Café Mooinjer Veggey).

They are aimed at adults, but ages 11+ welcome with an accompanying adult. All workshops are hosted by Culture Vannin. No booking necessary!

- **10.30am – 11.30am: Manx Gaelic traditional song workshop**

With Ruth Keggin Gell. Suitable for absolute beginners.

Venue: Peel Methodist Church

- **10.30am – 11.30am: Come and try Scottish Gaelic!**

Learn some useful phrases in this fun and interactive workshop for beginners with Joy Dunlop.

Venue: Guild Room

- **11.45am – 12.45pm: Scottish Gaelic traditional song workshop**

With Joy Dunlop. Suitable for absolute beginners.

Venue: Peel Methodist Church

- **11.45am – 12.45pm: Come and try Manx!**

Learn some useful phrases in this fun and interactive workshop for beginners with Ruth Keggin Gell.

Venue: Guild Room

- **1.30pm – 3pm: Manx and Scottish Gaelic Choral workshop**

Learn easy part-songs, with Joy Dunlop and Ruth Keggin Gell. Everyone is very welcome – you don't have to have spoken or sung in Manx or Scottish Gaelic before! Grab a friend and join in!

Venue: Peel Methodist Church

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- **2pm: Snaue as Skeet**

Go sea swimming in Ramsey with a friendly group, and learn some simple sea-themed Manx phrases and words. Warm up after with a cosy cuppa at Studio Umami. Hosted by Chrissy Callaghan, Dot Saunders & Paul Salmon.

Venue: Meet at the RNLI slipway, Ramsey

- **4pm – 6pm: Fastyr Fynoderee**

Cocktail making workshop and a mini distillery tour through Manx.

Age 18+ only. Cost: £28 per place.

Limited places available; advance booking essential through:

www.manxstuff.com

Hosted by Jo Callister and Adam Horne, in collaboration with Fynoderee.

Venue: Fynoderee Distillery, Ramsey

The event will tie in with service buses to Peel in time for evening concerts, independent of the Cooish.

- **7pm – 9pm: Online mini talk and interactive games**

Enjoy a Monsters of Manx Folklore themed talk, a Kahoot online quiz, and word games such as Taboo and Balderdash (in Manx, of course, but with help and guidance from games host Paul Rogers).

Hosted by Culture Vannin.

Register online via: www.learnmanx.com/cooish

- **10pm onwards: Late night session: Manx chat and tunes**

Bring your instrument and/or your voice, and join in!

Venue: White House Pub, Peel

Check out guitar and tune workshops taking place today at Culture Vannin: www.manxmusic.com for details!

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Sunday 10 November

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- **10.30am – 12pm: Big Breakfast on the mountain**

Join other Manx speakers for a hearty breakfast at Victory Café, and have a chat ayns Gaelg! You can also catch one of the Manx language films in the cinema, which will be running throughout the Cooish.

Email: gaelg@culturevannin.im by 8th November to reserve a spot!

Venue: Victory Café, Mountain Road

- **2.30pm – 4pm: Terrific Tiny Talks (in Manx)**

Come to an entertaining afternoon of miniature illustrated talks in Manx! Featuring a breadth of topics, plus the opportunity for a cosy cuppa and chat over a biscuit or three.

Hosted by Yn Çheshaght Ghailckagh

Venue: Guild Room, Atholl Street, Peel

- **6.30pm: Bilingual church service**

All are very welcome to a calm and reflective Manx and English bilingual service, on a theme of peace. With music, readings, and tea after the service. Hosted by Reverend Janet Corlett

Venue: Ballabeg Methodist Chapel

About the Cooish

The Cooish is an annual Manx language festival, which has been running since 1995, when it was known as “Feailley Ghaelgagh”.

“Cooish” has many meanings, including a cosy chat or get together, a subject, or cause. Events and projects are organised by the community, and the programme is pulled together by Yn Greinneyder, the Manx Language Development Officer for Culture Vannin. Anyone can organise or participate in an event, regardless of level of Manx. Everyone is welcome! Why not organise something next year? Get in touch! gaelg@culturevannin.im

Join in and make a difference!

Can you do all of these for this year’s Cooish?

Say “Moghrey mie!” to someone!	
Say “Gura mie ayd/eu!” to someone	
Write a social media post in Manx	
Tell a friend why you love Manx!	
Shout about Manx language successes!	
Meet up with friends and use Manx	
Hold your own fringe event – it can be big, or tiny!	

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Event organisers for Cooish 2024:

Organisations:

Culture Vannin: Charity based in St. John's that supports and promotes Manx culture through development work, education, and grant-giving culturevannin.im

Mini Musicians by Mannin Music: Early-years music specialists who run weekly and pop-up classes incorporating Manx manninmusic.com

Mooijer Veggey: Manx educational charity that runs a bilingual nursery and Possan Cloie playgroups mooijerveggey.org.im

Possan Gaelg: QEII High School's after-school Manx club, led by a teacher from DESC's Manx Language Unit manxlanguage.sch.im

Possan Ronsee Gaelgagh: Manx Research Group, leading the way on academic research into Manx. Part of Yn Cheshaght Ghailckagh ycg.im

Tantaran: Lessons and conversation run in the north of the Island by Paul Salmon

Yn Çheshaght Ghailckagh: The longest-running Manx language charity and largest publisher of Manx books ycg.im

Yn Chruinnaght Celtic Gathering: Annual interceltic festival in July, who run outreach events throughout the year ynchruinnaght.com

Booise da / Thanks to all of the individual event organisers and contributors!

Outreach and project work will be taking place throughout the Cooish across the Island's schools! With support from Soundcheck Charity, Isle of Man: soundcheckcharity.im/

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Loayr Gaelg rhym! –
Speak Manx to me!

Wear me throughout the festival
– pick one up at any event!

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