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GALA BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

FRIDAY 30 JULY - SUNDAY 1 AUGUST



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Tucked away at the end of Arlington Street off Woodlands Road, the Arlington Baths is a unique hidden gem - the oldest surviving club of its type in the World.

Owned and run by members on a not for profit basis, our club has served the people of Glasgow since we were founded in 1870.

Our Grade A listed Victorian bathing complex is jam packed with historic features, not least of which is our magnificent domed Turkish Suite - Glasgow's tribute to the Alhambra.

We first opened our doors on 1 August 1871 and to celebrate our 150th birthday, we'd like to invite you along to a whole host of free events we've organised to mark the occasion. Hopefully you'll see something you fancy and hopefully we'll be welcoming you through our doors!

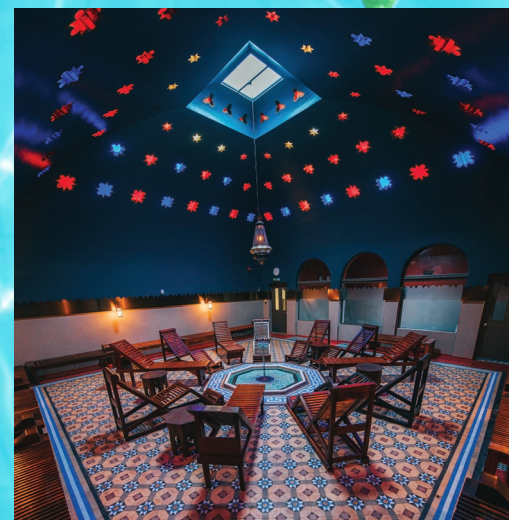
You can find more details on all events and lots more about our club on our website - arlingtonbaths.co.uk



Most events are free, but space may be limited. To book your tickets go to eventbrite.co.uk and search for Arlington Baths Club.

Water Polo Exhibition Match Saturday 31 July, 11.00am - 12.00noon

Water polo is a competitive sport consisting of two teams of seven players. Indeed many early participants in the game were members of the Arlington. We know this because we have a deep history with the sport, our first Baths Master, William Wilson, is credited with inventing the game. He drew up the rules to what was then known as 'Aquatic Football' during his time working at the baths. There's not many places to see a live match these days, but as the home of waterpolo, we're very pleased to host a match with teams from the Western Baths and Glasgow University.



Explore the Arlington Free Guided Tours

Friday 30 July
Saturday 31 July
Sunday 1 August
10.00am 12.00noon 2.00pm each day

We're always delighted to show off our club and its wonderful Victorian features. Join our History Group Volunteers for a free guided tour and find out how it all began, how it was run in the early days and how the bathing complex grew, not to mention a few stories about famous names and faces down the years...

Arlington Street Mini Gala Saturday 31st July, 12.00 - 2.00pm

Mark the 150th anniversary of the Arlington with an afternoon of street entertainment outside the club. We'll have lots going on for all the family - including samba drumming, circus performers, face painting and more.



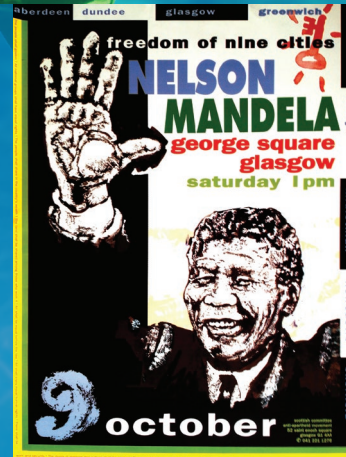
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Mandela, Glasgow and the Arlington Friday 30 July

STV News Tribute screening at 6.00pm
In conversation begins at 6.30pm

On the 40th anniversary of Nelson Mandela being awarded the Freedom of the City of Glasgow, **Brian Filling**, Honorary Consul for South Africa and Chair of the Nelson Mandela Scottish Memorial Foundation, joins veteran broadcaster **Bernard Ponsonby** in conversation. The discussion will cover Glasgow's decision to award Freedom of the City in 1981; Mandela's visit to collect the award in 1993; the Arlington Baths and Glasgow's historical connection with Mandela and South Africa; and the campaign to create a statue in Nelson Mandela Place. The discussion will be followed by a Q&A.



Victorian Style Leisure and Pleasure Saturday 31st July, 6.30pm

What did Glaswegians like our founders and early members do for fun? Friends of Glasgow West Convenor **Ann Laird** offers a historical snapshot of the wide range of sport and other activities enjoyed by local residents, all around Woodlands, Park and the Westend. From the Arlington's baths and swimming pond, to nearby Burnbank Grounds and beyond. Looking at cricket, bowls, curling and football, the wonderful "West End Park", now Kelvingrove Park, and many beautiful pleasure gardens.



The Arlington, The Alhambra and Owen Jones Saturday 31 July, 5.00pm

What inspired the architecture of the Arlington? This illustrated lecture will look at the Arlington Baths Club, in particular the Turkish room (added 1875), in the wider context of the Victorians' love for the exotic, and Jones' belief that good design was necessary for a healthy society. The talk is led by **Dr Ailsa Boyd**, an independent writer, lecturer and curator of 19th century art, design and literature.

Window from the Hall of the Two Sisters, Owen Jones, Plans, Elevations, Sections and Details of The Alhambra, chromolithographs, 1836-45 © V&A

The Burnets & the Baths Sunday 1st August, 5.00pm

The Burnets were one of Glasgow's great architectural dynasties and starting from the 1840s, they left a century long mark on the city producing some of its best known buildings including Arlington Baths. But who were they? John Burnet's reputation seems to have been eclipsed by his higher profile son, Sir John James Burnet, while Edith Burnet Hughes – one of the first women architects in the UK – has also been over-shadowed by her more famous uncle. Nevertheless, their collective output is hugely impressive and worthy of note so join **Niall Murphy**, Deputy Director of the Glasgow City Heritage Trust for a whistle stop tour through their legacy.



Swimmers in the city - 150 years of the Arlington Baths Saturday 31 July, 4.00pm

Join our **History Group Volunteers** for a dive into our past. It's been 150 years of highs and lows and highs, plus the occasional near bankruptcy! Follow the story of the Arlington Baths from our origins as pioneers of swimming and inspiration for other clubs, through two world wars and changing times to today's flourishing club. In this talk we'll hear about the history of the Club and meet a few of the thousands of men, women and children who have been members over that time - the people who made Glasgow.



Celebrating the City Sunday 1, August 6.30pm

Now in its 32nd year the annual programme of free open buildings, guided walks and talks is delivered in September by Glasgow Building Preservation Trust. The festival helps participants raise their profile and attract new users by sharing their stories with visitors who satisfy their curiosity about what goes on behind the doors of historic buildings. It's a fantastic opportunity to engage with new people and learn more about the built heritage of the city. Come for a short talk and Q&A about Doors Open Days and Glasgow Building Preservation Trust by **Andrew McConnell**, Director of GBPT.

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Children's Arts Exhibition

Friday 30 July, 9.00-4.00pm Saturday 31 July, 9.00-2.00pm

Sunday 1 August, 9.00-4.00pm

Our Junior Members have been working on their watery inspired paintings, drawings and collages and are terrifically excited to be displaying their work in their very own art exhibition. Come along to see their mini masterpieces! And if you fancy meeting the artists, join us for a special opening event on the Friday 30 July @ 5pm with drinks and nibbles.



150TH ANNIVERSARY EVENTS PROGRAMME

FRIDAY 30 JULY

Explore the Arlington- Free Guided Tours	10am, 12noon & 2pm
Children's Art Exhibition	9am-4pm
Children's Art Exhibition Opening Event	5-6pm
Mandela, Glasgow and the Arlington	6pm

SATURDAY 31 JULY

Explore the Arlington- Free Guided Tours	10am, 12noon & 2pm
Children's Art Exhibition	9am-2pm
Mindful Mark Making Art Workshop with Marion Gardyne	2-4pm
Water Polo Exhibition Match	11am-12noon
Arlington Street Mini Gala	12-2pm
Swimmers in the city: 150 years of the Arlington Baths	4pm
The Arlington Baths, The Alhambra and Owen Jones	5pm
Victorian-Style Leisure and Pleasure	6.30pm
The Ship & The Shish Mahal - Model Boat sailing & buffet	8pm

SUNDAY 1 AUGUST

Explore the Arlington - Free Guided Tours	10am, 12noon & 2pm
Children's Art Exhibition	9am-4pm
Arlington History Group Memories Café	11am-2pm
Childrens Film Screening - Finding Nemo	11am
Film Screening - Health, History, Heritage	1pm
Arlington Echoes - Voices from the Past	3pm
The Burnets & the Baths	5pm
Celebrating the City	6.30pm
Pool-side performance - Live music from Julian Tovey, Linda Ormiston & Robert Melling	7.30pm
Anniversary Dinner in the Club hosted by the Gannet	8.30pm

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Film Screenings

Finding Nemo

Sunday 1st August, 11.00am

This modern classic Disney/Pixar film is sure to delight our younger members. Watch it on our big screen and sing along with your friends.

Health, History, Heritage

Sunday 1 August, 1.00pm

A programme of archive films chronicling changes during the lifetime of the baths. We glimpse Scotland's ambitious work piping fresh water to its citizens; evolving architecture with a post-war plan to modernise Glasgow; the closure of Glasgow's tram network; and addressing public health needs with the foundation of the NHS. We end with an old favourite "Pleasure Palace" - a quirky look at a day in the life of the Arlington in 1997.



Arlington Echoes - Voices from the Past

Sunday 1 August, 3.00pm

We present vintage recordings on shellac performed or composed by former Arlington members.

Bransby Williams, actor & impersonator, best known for his portrayals of characters from Dickens. Listen to the earliest known voice recordings of an Arlington member.

Sir Frederic H. Cowen, conductor and prolific composer of orchestral pieces, operas, choral works and ballet suites. Hear works sung by Dame Clara Butt, Luisa Tetrazzini and Essie Ackland.

Emil Młynarski, conductor of The Scottish Orchestra (forerunner of the RSN) and composer. Listen to Symphony in F major "Polonia", and Mazurka for violin and piano.



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