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CLIMATE WEEK NORTH EAST

Small steps make a
BIG difference

19th September - 4th October 2026

Climate Week North East (CWNE) is an annual regional festival led by NESCAN Hub, dedicated to raising awareness about the environment, reducing our carbon footprint, and inspiring practical local action towards a greener future. This year there are lots of local events celebrating sustainability and community resilience.

What's On Across Udny:

- **National Emergency Briefing, Saturday 19th Sept, 7.15pm:** Join in the local launch of CWNE26 with a screening of this impactful climate action film at Dr Spence Memorial Hall in Udny Green, followed by a community consultation with **Udny Climate Action**. See 'Key Dates', p.3 for details and how to book your free tickets.
 - **Community Litter Picks, Tuesday 29th Sept & 6th Oct, 2.30-4.30pm:** Join us at Open Doors at The Medan Centre for two community litter picks.
 - **Reduce, Re-use, Recycle Talk, Tuesday 1st Oct, 7.15pm:** Join us in the Garden Room for a talk on waste reduction from **Udny Community Shelf's** Hayley Yule and other guest speakers, offering practical tips on how to lower household waste.
 - **Udny Community Turbine Open Day, Saturday 3rd Oct, 10am-3pm:** To round off CWNE26, we are holding an Open Day at the community turbine at Tillymaud. The theme is Community Resilience Against Climate Change. Visitors can see the turbine up close and discover how **Udny Community Trust** uses the revenue to help develop our local community. **Udny Resilience Group** will showcase their work to educate the community and prepare for extreme weather events. **Udny Climate Action** will share information on their work to mitigate against the impact of climate change in the local area.
 - **Pop up Book Chat, Tuesday 6th Oct 7.15pm** . Pick a fiction or non-fiction book linked to sustainability or climate. 🌍 Bring along a topic, idea, or insight from your book. Let's get our book chat on! Haven't got time to read pop along and get inspired to add some of these texts to your next read!
- Keep an eye on social media, local noticeboards and our website for details: the location and directions will be advised.**



Spotlight

Udny Swap Shop



The Udny Swaps volunteer team are the driving force behind the Udny Swap Shop: a circular economy initiative to reduce waste in Udny and get more life out of everyday items.

Clothes, toys, bric-a-brac can be swapped with friends and neighbours. The Swap Shop is for everyone - you can donate items or pick up something new-to-you at no cost. The Swap Shop happens four times a year, one for each school term, and takes place in Pitmedden Hall. **The next Swap Shop is on Friday 25th - Sunday 27th September.** See 'Key Dates' on page 3 for details.

Follow Udny Swaps on social media to get the latest information on each Swap Shop!



Udny Swaps



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Highlights

➤ **It's quiztastic at Cafe48!** TWO quizzes are coming up. On Friday 4th September raising money for the Listening Ear service at Haddo Medical Practice and on Friday 2nd October fundraising for the Good Companions. Book a table and get your thinking caps on!

➤ **Macmillan Coffee Morning:** Dr Spence Memorial Hall are having their annual Macmillan Cancer Support fundraiser coffee morning on Friday 25th September. Join the UCTC monthly long walk to enjoy a walk over to Udny Green from Pitmedden with delicious scones and fine pieces at our destination! See 'Key Dates' for details!

➤ **A Flock of Books** will be back at Cafe48 on Saturday 26th September, selling a lovely mix of adult and children's books in Cafe48 from 10am - 2pm.

The Medan Centre, 14 Oldmeldrum Road, Pitmedden, Aberdeenshire, AB41 7AG

What's On

Everyone welcome. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

at The Medan Centre



Weekly
Monday
10am - 12noon
Garden Room



Weekly
Tuesday 10am
Cuppas & blether after!
Garden Room



Weekly
Tuesday
1.30 - 3.30pm
Bronie Room

Adults only



Weekly
Tuesday
2.30 - 4.30pm
Garden Room



Weekly
Friday
Approx 2.20 - 2.45pm
The Medan Centre



Fortnightly
Fridays
3.30 - 5pm
Bronie Room

Adults only

Sept 11th & 25th



Monthly
Second Monday
3 - 4.30pm
Garden Room

Sept 14th



Monthly
Third Monday
6 - 7pm
Bronie Room

Sept 21st



Monthly
Third Monday
6 - 8pm
Cafe48

Sept 21st



Monthly
Last FRIDAY
10.30am - 12.30pm
See 'Key Dates' for walk location and details

Sept 25th



Monthly x 2
Afternoon & evening
groups. A different book each month. Our Book Club has just had its one-year anniversary! If you'd like to be part of it, contact Teresa for details.



These activities are delivered by our amazing team of volunteers. Please join us in saying 'THANK YOU' next time you're at a session!

Event schedule subject to change. Keep an eye on our website and Facebook pages for latest info and details. For more information contact Teresa Costanza: 01651 843776 or admin@udnycommunitytrust.org.uk

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Key Dates

Community Events and Activities - Sept 2026

Weds
2nd, 9th,
16th

Threads & Yarns, 7-9pm, Bronie Room, The Medan Centre

Sewing, knitting and crochet community group. Come for a cuppa and a natter. Adults and children aged 12+ (if younger, must be accompanied by an adult). For info contact Julia (07817 762723) or Lynette (07971 117599).

Fri
4th

Fundraising Quiz for The Listening Ear Service, 7.30pm, Cafe48

Raising funds for the Listening Ear service at Haddo Medical Practice. Bring your friends, your family and your brains! To book a table call 01651 842346 or email cafe@udnycommunitytrust.org.uk.

Mon
7th

Udny Community Council Meeting

UCC meets on the second Monday of the month. See Udny Community Council on Facebook for details. Contact udnycsecretary@outlook.com for info.

Mon
7th,
21st

Boccia, 2-4pm, Dr Spence Memorial Hall, Udny Green

A seated, inclusive game of strategy open to anyone. Takes place fortnightly. £5 per person, per session including tea, coffee and biscuits. Contact Brian for info: 07538 543646

Mon
14th

Udny Conversation Café: Royal Voluntary Service, 3-4.30pm, Garden Room

Come along and catch up over a cuppa and a fine piece. Karen Fong joins us to tell us about RVS' community services including community transport. Contact Teresa Costanza for info: admin@udnycommunitytrust.org.uk.

19th Sept
- 4th Oct

Climate Week North East, NESCAN, <https://nescan.org/climate-week-north-east-cwne/>

During CWNE we will be hosting themed versions of our regular activities including Baby & Toddler Stay & Play, Open Doors and Book Clubs, with a focus on looking after nature and helping to protect the environment. See UCTC Facebook and local advertising for details of different events.



Sat
19th

Film: National Emergency Briefing, 7.15pm, Dr Spence Memorial Hall, Udny Green

Join Udny Climate Action and Udny Resilience Group for a film about the nature and climate crisis hosted by Chris Packham. Hard hitting but optimistic about the benefits of action. Age 16+ only. FREE plus refreshments and discussion. Funded by Udny Community Trust.

Book via Eventbrite: <https://bit.ly/3Tz7Xkn>. Free of charge but tickets required.



Book film
tickets

Mon
21st

Udny Repair Café, 6-8pm, Cafe48, The Medan Centre

Run by Udny Climate Action. Pop along with items needing to be repaired or restored. To enquire about potential repairs contact udnyrepaircafe@gmail.com

Fri 25th -
Sun 27th

Swap Shop, Pitmedden Village Hall, see local advertising for details

Swap and share pre-loved, good quality items with your community. Fri 1-6pm - DROP OFF ONLY. Sat 9am-6pm, Sun 9am-2pm - PICK UP ONLY. Keep an eye on Facebook for up to date info. Contact udnyswapshop@gmail.com or message on Facebook.

Sat 26th -
Sun 27th

Apple Weekend, 11am - 4pm, NTS Pitmedden Garden & Museum of Farming Life, AB41 7PD

Apple Sunday returns in 2026 for a whole apple weekend, 11am - 4pm each day. Come along for apples baked goodies and a day filled with fun and entertainment. Visit Udny Community Trust's stall on Sunday 27th September. See Eventbrite for details: bit.ly/4xypvfw

Apple
Weekend



Thu
27th

UCTC Guided Walk: Udny Green MacMillan Coffee Morning, 10.30am, Meet at The Medan Centre

Join us for a stroll over to Dr Spence Memorial Hall in Udny Green, enjoying a beautiful walk through the grounds of Udny Castle. Work up an appetite for the scones and fine pieces made by the wonderful volunteers, raising money for MacMillan Cancer Support. Register your interest with Teresa on admin@udnycommunitytrust.org.uk



The Medan Centre

Your Community Hub



Cafe48



Tuesday to Saturday, 9.30am - 3pm

Sit in and take away. Fresh local food and home bakes. Regular specials and offers. Booking is recommended!



The Early Start Deal

Tuesday - Friday 9.30 - 10.30am

Breakfast Roll & Hot Drink only £2.95

Upgrades available. Sit in or takeaway.



PitmeddenCafe



01651 842346



cafe@udnycommunitytrust.org.uk



SCAN TO
BOOK A
TABLE
ONLINE

Room Hire

We have rooms for hire at competitive rates and we welcome volunteer-led community groups to use our space for low or no cost.

Rates and information on our spaces can be found on UCTC's website. To find out more about our spaces or to book, contact Ruth Cluness: 01651 843776 or facilities@udnycommunitytrust.org.uk



Udny Community Shelf



Open daily, 9am to mid-afternoon.

Udny Community Shelf helps our community to reduce food waste. Volunteers collect surplus food from local stores, saving it from landfill.

Everything in the Shelf is free of charge. The Shelf operates from a trailer in The Medan Centre car park.



Visit us...

14 Oldmeldrum Road, Pitmedden, AB41 7AG



Speak to us...

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