

The Museum of Abernethy

What is the Museum?

The Museum is housed in renovated 18th century agricultural buildings in School Wynd, on the site of an 11th century Culdees monastery. It was opened in 2000 by Magnus Magnusson, who had already re-opened the famous 11th century Round Tower nearby in 1983, after its restoration.

The village of Abernethy and its surroundings are steeped in history, and this history is explained in the museum. The museum is run entirely by volunteers and was set up to collect artefacts and information relating to the parish of Abernethy and to research, record and display the history of life in the parish and its people down the ages from the earliest of times until the present day.



What to See

The museum offers displays about:

The 3,000 year old logboat recovered nearby in 2007; the Roman legionary fortress at Carpow; Abernethy as Pictish capital; an important religious centre during early Christian times; the place where Malcolm Canmore met William the Conqueror - and so on down to WWII when Abernethy was home to many Polish troops. There are also displays covering local industries and businesses; church; school; and not forgetting Tay salmon fishing, agriculture and 'the berries', which are documented in the covered area of the museum garden.



Other attractions:

- Famous people with an Abernethy connection, ancient and more recent - did you know that in 1909 Winston Churchill spoke at a political rally in the village in front of over 2,000 people?
- Photos of, and a T.V. news report about, the raising of the Bronze Age logboat
- The Millennium Quilt
- The secluded garden with its interesting plants and its Green Man



When to visit

- We are open from Mid May until the end of September.
- **Admission is free.**
- Thurs, Fri, Sat, Sun 1300-1700
- Special arrangements can be made for group visits outside these hours.

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