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**Out & About Club**

**March 2025**

**Day and Half Day Minibus Trips in March**

**(Kyle Area of South Ayrshire)**

**All Trips are on a Saturday**

**Calendar: Quick Look**

**Wildings Harbourside Restaurant, Maidens**

**Glasgow Fort Shopping Centre**

**Langholm Tea Room & Farm Shop, Symington**

**Cardwell Garden Centre, Gourock**

**Irvine Retail Parks / Scottish Maritime Museum**

**How to join our club**

**Individual membership**

Open to all residents of South Ayrshire and is completely free. Just fill in a simple form on the bus the first time you travel.

Call us for more information on

**01292 270864**

or find us on Facebook or online at

**sacommunitytransport.org**

**Our Buses**

We use modern minibuses which are fully accessible either by steps or passenger lift, and

have room for wheelchairs and walking frames.

Please tell us if you normally travel with a folding wheelchair or walking frame so that we can make sure we have space to stow it safely.

**How to Book**

Bookings are on a first come, first served basis. So, look at the full trip details on the following pages, choose the ones you want, and give us a call on

**01292 270864**

**or email**

**info@sacommunitytransport.org**

If the trip is fully booked when you call, we’ll keep your name on a reserve list and contact you if a seat becomes available.

If you need to cancel a trip, please give us as much notice as possible so that we can offer the seat to someone on the reserve list.

We’ll call you shortly before your trip to confirm your pickup time.

**If you cancel 3 times you will be moved to waiting list for future trips.**

**What to expect**

***Pick up and drop off*** – We offer a door-to-door service (Ayr, Prestwick, Troon, Coylton Annbank, Mossblown, Tarbolton, Monkton, Symington and Dundonald). Our friendly helpful drivers will call for you at your home address and drop you back there after a great day out.

***Timings*** – We normally start pickups in the morning, roughly between 9am and 11am. On longer trips, we’ll usually stop on the way for a comfort break and/or coffee.

***At the destination*** –At restaurant/café lunches, there’s little or no walking as we’ll drop you as close to the entrance as possible. Elsewhere, you’ll be free to explore on your own, at your own pace, and your driver will agree a return place and time.

***Fares –*** Pay for your trip on the bus, on the day you travel. Carers/support workers and children pay half fare.

**March Trips**

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| Saturday  1  March | **Lunch at Wildings Harbourside Restaurant and Hotel, Maidens**  A lovely family run hotel and restaurant with great food and sea views, just along the road from Turnberry. There’s a set lunch menu which could well include fish landed just yards away in the picturesque harbour. | £15 | Lunch booked for 1.00pm |
| Saturday  8 March | **Glasgow Fort Shopping Centre**  One of Glasgow’s leading shopping destinations with over 100 high street and top branded fashion stores, restaurants and cafes. All the big names are present and correct, and you’ll also find some less familiar ones, including one of only four Scottish branches of “Hobbycraft”.  Wheelchair loan service available: for more information contact the customer service team on 0141 771 7777 | £20 | Arrival 1:00pm |
| Saturday  15  March | **Langholm Tea Room and Farm Shop, Symington**  An early lunchtime visit to this ever-popular tearoom. A varied menu with daily specials, and “*an abundance of home baking*”. Farm shop and gift shop. | £10 | Arrival 12:30pm |
| Saturday  22  March | **Cardwell Garden Centre, Gourock**  Storm Éowyn cancelled our last trip here, so we’re heading north along the lovely coast road to Lunderston Bay, near Gourock, to the award winning and family run ***Cardwell Home and Garden Centre.*** Established in 1962, it’s developed into a fine retail destination with over 20 departments, including **The Edinburgh Woollen Mill.**  The Patio Café has seating for over 300 and serves a full range of hot and cold food, prepared fresh on site daily. | £25 | Arrival 1:00pm |
| Saturday  29 March | **Irvine Retail Parks – OR - Scottish Maritime Museum**  Just a short hop away, Irvine has the one and only XS Stock with a huge and ever-changing range of goods for sale. They also have their own in store café for good value meals and snacks.  We’ll stop there and then go on the big retail parks round the corner (Riverway and Rivergate) where you’ll find stores like Sports Direct, Asda, Poundstretcher, Home Bargains and many more.  Plenty of places to eat as well.  For non-shoppers we can drop you off at ***The Scottish Maritime Museum,*** home to Scotland’s national maritime heritage. Discover some of Scotland’s most historic vessels and learn about Scotland’s importance to maritime history throughout the world.  Pick up a cup a coffee and a cookie at the Linthouse coffee bar, or for something more substantial, try at Puffers Café across the road. | £15 | Arrival 12:30pm  Museum admission from  £8.00 - Registered carers free |

\*Arrival times are approximate.

**Unless otherwise stated, fare does NOT include meals, refreshments, or admission charges.**