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Drivin' Thro' the Rye! Newhailes to offer Burns Supper direct to vehicles for one day only

For the first time ever, Newhailes Estate in Musselburgh is celebrating the life of Scotland's National Bard with a Burns Supper Drive Thru.

The event takes place on Saturday 25 January from 3.30pm until 6.30pm and will be hosted by the National Trust for Scotland, who care for and protect the Palladian villa.

Visitors can drive into the estate and order a traditional Burns Supper of haggis, neeps and tatties without having to leave their car. Demonstrating the finest in Caledonian cuisine, with the haggis provided by Edinburgh-based Macsween, each meal also comes complete with an Irn Bru and a Tunnock's Teacake.

For those looking for a modern twist on the traditional offering, there will also be haggis bon bons, skinny fries and a mustard mayo dip. For a less traditional alternative, there will also be chicken goujons for children. Vegetarian and gluten free options will also be available.

While drivers and passengers wait on their delicious meal, there will be circus style entertainment on show and traditional Scottish music playing which visitors can enjoy without leaving their car.

Driving isn't a compulsory either. The supper is available for people arriving by foot, bike or even on horseback like Tam o' Shanter.

Claire Grant, operations manager for Edinburgh at the National Trust for Scotland, said "Newhailes offers the perfect setting for an exciting Burns Supper drive thru. Food is a big part of any Burns celebration, and this event allows people to experience tradition as well as live entertainment and music – all from the comfort of their own car."

"We're looking forward to offering locals and those from further afield the chance to take part in a Burns celebration like no other and events like this truly help our charity to protect Newhailes and Scotland's other special places."

No booking or entry fee is required for the Burns Supper Drive Thru.

The Newhailes estate is spread over 34 hectares, with unspoilt views across the Forth. The Dalrymple family's mansion, meanwhile, contains an important library as well as a stunning collection of paintings, ceramics and furniture. There are several footpaths leading around the estate, while a community garden and play park are also open to visitors.

Find out more about Newhailes and its calendar of events at www.nts.org.uk/visit/places/newhailes.

For more information about the Burns Supper Drive Thru go to www.nts.org.uk/visit/events/burns-supper-drive-thru

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EVENT: Burns Supper Drive Thru

DATE: 25 January

TIME: 3.30pm to 6.30pm

INFO: Enjoy a Burns Supper with a twist at the first-ever Newhailes Burns Supper Drive Thru! Drive in to Newhailes Estate, order your meal and then enjoy in the comfort of your own car - you may even happen across a bit of poetry or a song!

LOCATION: Newhailes, Musselburgh EH21 6RY

PRICE: No booking required

Editor's Notes:

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