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NEWHAILES SET TO HOST ITS MOST PLAYFUL SUMMER YET

- A host of exciting adventures and activities awaits families and young adventurers at the National Trust for Scotland's Newhailes House & Gardens this summer.
- New for 2025, Playful Summer at Newhailes has something for everyone from sports activities to nature exploration, to the enchanting makebelieve.
- Trust places are the perfect setting to create summer memories.

A host of exciting summer activities are on offer as part of the new Playful Summer at Newhailes House & Gardens, providing the perfect way to celebrate the season and create happy memories with loved ones.

The National Trust for Scotland is warmly inviting people to come and enjoy a variety of outdoor adventures and experiences at Newhailes. Families and young adventurers can now enjoy a variety of activities across a series of interactive play zones called Playful Summer, suitable for all ages and open until 25th August. The zones include:

- Sport Zone Run, jump, and play classic sports games.
- Nature Zone Discover, build, and get hands-on with all things outdoors.
- Imagination Zone Get creative and run wild with dress-up and make-believe.
- Beach Zone Sand and seaside vibes.
- Chill Out Zone Wind down in the hay bale maze and guiet corners.

The Trust, which cares for and shares Scotland's rich cultural and natural heritage for everyone to enjoy, thanks to the help and generosity of its members and supporters, has welcomed over 162,000 visitors to Newhailes this year so far.

Claire Grant, National Trust for Scotland's Operations Manager for Edinburgh, said: "We're looking forward to welcoming visitors to Newhailes this summer, where there is an array of activities happening as part of the new Playful Summer, suitable for all ages and interests. Our places offer the perfect setting to create treasured memories with loved ones, and you will find something for everyone. It's thanks to our members and supporters for their ongoing generosity that we're able to continue our work to share these special places with everyone and to protect Scotland's natural and cultural heritage now and for future generations to enjoy."

These events support the National Trust for Scotland's vision to care for, share and protect Scotland's nature, beauty and heritage for everyone to enjoy, as outlined in its 10-year strategy, launched in 2022.

Playful Summer is free for National Trust for Scotland members and ideal for families with young adventurers. Access to the five play zones is included with admission

to <u>Weehailes Playpark</u>. For further information about Newhailes House & Gardens opening times and to book Playful Summer in advance, visit https://www.nts.org.uk/visit/places/newhailes/highlights/playful-summer.

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About the National Trust for Scotland

Established in 1931, the National Trust for Scotland is Scotland's largest conservation charity and cares for, shares and speaks up for Scotland's magnificent heritage.

Over the last 90 years the Trust has pioneered public access to and shared ownership of some of the most magnificent buildings, collections and landscapes in Scotland. It cares for more than 100 sites, from ancient houses to battlefields, castles, mills, gardens, coastlines, islands, mountain ranges and the plants and animals which depend upon them.

In March 2022 the National Trust for Scotland launched *Nature, Beauty & Heritage for Everyone*, its ten-year strategy which sets out the ambitions of the charity over the coming decade. From speaking up for Scotland's heritage which doesn't have a voice, to improving the lives and wellbeing of people across the country, and responding to the climate and biodiversity crisis, the Trust will build on its work in recent years to grow its impact and conserve and restore more of Scotland's heritage, as it moves towards its centenary in 2031.

Scotland's largest membership organisation, the National Trust for Scotland relies on the support of its members and donors to carry out its important work.

For more information on the National Trust for Scotland visit www.nts.org.uk.

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