Festivals an celebrations in Scotland

Januar Ne'er Day (1st), whan ye first−foot yer neibours wi black bun. Ba Games in Orkney, whan the uppies play the doonies in the streets o Kirkwall. Scalloway Fire Festival in Shetland, whan awbodie enjoys a torchlit event. Burnin o the Clavie in Burghead, whan a taur barrel is burnt tae burn oot the auld year. Handsel Monday, the first Monday o the year, whan fowk yaised tae gie oot handsels (praisents). Burns' Night (25th), whan ye eat haggis an read oot poems for Robert Burns' birthday. Up Helly Aa in Lerwick, whan a Viking longship is burnt for the end o Yule.
Februar Canlemas(2nd) A Scottish Quarter day, whan fowk peyed thir rents, or got peyed thirsels. Borders Haun−Ba Gemms, whan the ba is nivver kicked. Chinese New Year In 2010 it is 14th an the stert o the Year of the Tiger. A wheen o festivities an praisent −giein. Fastern's Een, whan ye mak pancakes afore lent.
Mairch Whuppity Stourie (1st) in Lanark, whan fowk birl baws o paper roond thir heids tae fleg bad speerits.
Aprile Huntiegowk or Gowk's Day (1st), whan ye tak the rag oot o fowk an mak gowks o thaim. Tailie Day (2nd), whan ye peen bits o paper ontae yer freens wi'oot thir kennin. Kate Kennedy Procession in St. Andrews, a special day for toun an goun. Pace Egg Day, whan ye rowe eggs for Pace (Easter). Links Market in Kirkcaldy, a gey lang street fair. Atholl Highland Gatherin - ane o the first o the saison o gaitherins.
Mey Beltane whan bonfires are lichtit tae merk the beginnin o simmer. May day is a public holiday celebratit in Scotland an internationally wi parades. Whitsunday (15th) the saicont Scottish quarter day
June Ridin o the Mairches, whan fowk in Border touns ride aroon the toun mairches. Melrose Festival sterts wi layin the wreath at the War Memorial afore the 'kirkin' service at the Parish Church. Beltane Week in Peebles wi the croonin o the Beltane Queen. Galashiels Braw Lads Gaitherin whan the Braw Lad hauds the Burgh flag. St. Magnus Festival in Orkney tae celebrate the arts foonded by Sir Peter Maxwell Davies.
July Reivers' week in Duns, Callant's Festival in Jedburgh an the Yetholm Ride in Kelso Various fush festivals sic as Festival o the Herrin Queen in Eyemouth, St. Monan's Sea Queen Festival an theFraserburgh Fush Festival Lossiemouth Folk Festival, a week o sangs an concerts. St. Ronan's Cleikum Festival celebrates St Ronan 'cleikin' or trippin up the deil.
August Lammas, anither quarter day wi fairs at St. Andrews an ither Scottish touns. Burryman (South Queensferry), whan a bodie is covert in burrs an maircht roond the toun for guid luck. Ramadan sterts for Scots Muslims wi fastin fae keek o day tae sundoon. The festival o Eid comes at the end o Ramadan.

September Hairst whan craps are ingaithert an the hairsters celebrate the kirn. Viking festival in Largs continues (sterts in August), celebrates Largs'Viking heritage. The Battle o Largs was in 1263. Fisherman's Walk in Musselburgh ye can see the fowk fae the fushin communities parade throu the toun in braw costumes. Blairgowrie Highland Games held on the first Sunday in September. Braemar Gaitherin The Royal Faimlie enjoy this Gaitherin.
October Halloween, whan ye dook for aipples, carve yer neep−lantern, an gae guisin. Dundee City *Fest n Furious* music festival aw ower the city. Samhain (31st Oct – 1 Nov) merks the end o simmer Diwali is a weel−kent festival celebratit by Scots Hindus. It is cried the 'The Festival o Lichts'
November Martinmas or Scottish Quarter Day In the past it waes the day whan rents haed tae be peyed. St. Andrew's Day (31st), the day o Scotland's patron saint.
December Yule (25th an efter), whan ye celebrate Christmas an the howe o winter. Swingin the Fire Baas in Stonehaven taks place on the 31st December. Flambeaux procession in Comrie led by the Comrie Pipe Band. Hogmanay (31st), whan ye see oot the auld year wi yer freens.

There are mony festivals in Scotland. Tell us aboot the yins ye enjoy. Some festivals hinnae chynged ower hunners o years an ithers are gey different. Tell us whit ye think on thaim. If ye tak pairt in ony o the festival listit here, please write a report an send it tae us. Ye micht hae a poem or a picter tae.