

NEWSLETTER

WISHAW YMCA
August 2025



Summer Club 2025 Biggest & Best Yet!

Making Memories

This summer's Making Memories trips were packed with non-stop excitement. Our young people bounced their way through trampoline parks, showed off their skills at bowling, and glided around the roller rink with big smiles. Each outing was filled with energy, laughter, and plenty of friendly competition. These adventures gave everyone a chance to try something new, cheer each other on, and make memories they'll be talking about for years.

"We didn't realize we were making memories, we just knew we were having fun."
— A.A. Milne (Winnie the Pooh)

GOOD TIMES BACK IN THE WISHAW YMCA

Every corner buzzing with activities, laughter, and connection. Young people got stuck into crafts and creative projects, letting their imaginations run wild. The gaming stations were a big hit too, with friendly matches where we encouraged healthy competition, good sportsmanship. It's been a summer to remember! We couldn't be prouder of staff and volunteers for a job very well done!



thanks

to our staff, volunteers, members, parents, young people who attended, Asda (Newmains) the local Wishaw Shotts Consortium. .



★ Shine On Gala – What a Night!

An unforgettable evening celebrating the amazing people who make our work possible. ★

Guiding Star: Emma Williamson

Rising Star: Ben Lawley

Shining Stars: Angie Reynolds, Peter Djuritschek, Tracy Hall, Lorna MacIntyre, Brian Closs

Our stars light the way – thank you for your vision, dedication, and hard work! ♥



The summer holidays are almost over, and we know a few parents who might be counting down the days! As our young people head back to school, we wish you all a fantastic year ahead – full of learning, laughter, and new adventures. We can't wait to hear your stories (and see the parents enjoying their quiet cups of tea).



Wishaw YMCA Camera Club 📷

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TYPICAL
CAMERACLUB**

We've found that the best way to learn photography is to simply start having fun with it – whether that's snapping away at a workshop or exploring new places on an outing. That's why we're excited to announce that Camera Club outings will be starting at the end of August. To find out more about what we're all about, check out our group page: [YMCA Collective Facebook Group](#).

We're also putting the finishing touches on this year's Wellness Calendar – and it's bigger and better than ever! Pre-orders open on 22nd August for collection from 2nd October, and at just £10 each, they're the perfect way to support the club. Pre-order to guarantee you don't miss out.

Once they're gone, they're gone!

We've got so many exciting things coming through the pipeline, and we can't wait to share them with you! From new digital programs and esports tournaments to crafting workshops for young people. Keep an eye out for online raffles, international esports collaborations, & our Christmas event in partnership with Coltness Community Council. And that's just the beginning – there's so much more to come!

To learn more about our ongoing programs and projects follow our Facebook @theymcawishaw.