

Five things you need to know today



[The Broughton Spurtle](#) has a report (with lovely photographs) on the sale of the Green Goddess yesterday at Lyon and Turnbull which fetched about £5,000 for its publicity shy owner.

We like taking photographs as we hope you might have noticed. [The Scotsman](#) applauds the [Edinburgh Photographic Society](#) which is getting ready to celebrate its 150th anniversary at its premises in Great King Street. They hold weekly meetings – we might go along in September!

[Scotland on Sunday](#) alerts us to the Spartans FC match against the Manchester United B team this afternoon in the capital. Are you going? Would you send us some photos if you are?

As part of the Edinburgh Jazz and Blues Festival the [Grassmarket](#) stages the second day of its arts market today. We have had the first of our Jazz Festival reviews [here](#).

We depend on the internet for our very existence, and we always appreciate the times of day when our broadband speed either picks up or dips into something which seems rather prehistoric. We do remember the days of dial up modems and the patience they required. But here on the [Ofcom map](#) of broadband speed in the UK we were still rather surprised by the results for Edinburgh which show it in the top category.