

# Five things you need to know today



**Missing Man – Lochrin Basin – Portobello – Edinburgh College – The Scotsman online**

UPDATE 12.30



Lothian and Borders Police searching for a missing man in Midlothian have recovered a body.

Officers made the discovery in Birky Wood, near Crichton Castle at around 11am today (Thursday) while carrying out enquiries to trace 22-year-old Greg Stevens from Bonnyrigg.

Formal identity of the body has yet to take place. However, the family of Greg Stevens have been updated.

There appear to be no suspicious circumstances surrounding this death and a report will be sent to the Procurator Fiscal

*Lothian and Borders Police are appealing for information to trace a missing man from Bonnyrigg, Midlothian.*

*Greg Stevens was last seen by his family at his house in the Harmony area at around 8.30am on Wednesday 12th September.*

*The 22-year-old has failed to make contact with anyone since, which is very much out of character and enquiries are ongoing to locate him.*

*He is known to frequent the area around Crichton and Borthwick Castles.*

*Greg is described as white, 5ft 10ins tall with a slim build and long dark hair he is thought to be wearing blue cotton jogging bottoms and a grey hoodie.*

*Anyone with information should contact Lothian and Borders Police on 0131 311 3131, or the charity Crimestoppers in confidence and complete anonymity on 0800 555 111.*

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The photo above shows the new huts at Lochrin Basin which are to be used along with moorings now being sold as an opportunity to live on the water. There are already some houseboats, some cafes and some offices on the canal. Now it is time for more activity on the canal according to the agents acting for the British Waterways Board. This follows the publication of a council strategy for regeneration of the canal earlier this year.

The plan to spark the renaissance of the Union Canal won a prestigious national waterways award in May 2012.

The Edinburgh Union Canal Strategy beat off strong competition from across the UK to scoop the 'Strategy & Masterplanning' category of [The 2012 Waterways Renaissance Awards](#).

The awards, run by The Waterways Trust, recognise exceptional projects that have turned inland waterways into desirable places for living, learning and leisure.

[The Canal Strategy](#) is the result of partnership work between The City of Edinburgh Council and Scottish Canals.

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Yesterday's surprise court decision has left many people in Portobello wondering what will happen now about the new High School and there are calls for The Scottish Government to do what it can to address the problem which remains, i.e. that the existing school at Portobello desperately needs renewed or renovated. You might wish to add your comment [to our article here.](#)

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The new Edinburgh College to be formed by amalgamating Jewel and Esk College, Telford College and Stevenson College will open on 1 October 2012. The new principal has been announced as reported by [North Edinburgh News](#).

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It is reported today that The Scotsman now has more online readers than it has print readers. According to journalism website [Hold The Front Page](#) the paper has 513,000 online readers compared with 459,000 print readers per month.... Given that according to Council Chief Executive the city's population has just gone through the 500,000 barrier last Friday, does that mean every single man, woman and child in Edinburgh is a Scotsman reader...?