

Five things you need to know today

✘ Stockbridge Library this evening – Alba Innovation Centre – Airport Mural – Blue Moon Café closes – Council Leader aka “Marathon Man”

Andrew Kerr, local historian and author invites you to Explore Stockbridge this evening at 7:00pm through favourite images, photographs and maps of this historic and visually stunning area. Followed by a Walking Tour Saturday 25th May, 11.00am (meet at the library -numbers limited). To book a place for either event call 0131 529 5665



Alba Innovation Centre is in Livingston and next week on Thursday 30 May 2013 it opens its doors to clients and virtual clients for the first time to Scotland’s Business and Technology Community.

“Come along and meet Scotland’s leading technology entrepreneurs and find out about their new innovations and see their technologies. Open Doors will consist of morning presentations where we will look at trends and developments within the technology sector, a full-day exhibition where you will have the opportunity to meet clients of Alba Innovation Centre and the Alba Incubation Service and an afternoon of demonstrations where you can see first-hand how these new innovations and new technologies work.”

Tickets are free and available [here.](#)

✘ Our photo today shows artist, Damian Callan, working on his mural called The Marathon which was installed yesterday in the departure lounge at Edinburgh Airport. He is being closely watched by Rory who happened to be travelling with his family. It is just by Gate 7, and Damian will be adding faces to the installation over the coming weekend when marathon runners are expected to pass through the airport to take part in the Edinburgh Marathon Festival. If you are using the airport he will happily add you to his magnum opus!

We also interviewed him about the work:-

[listen to 'Damian Callan at the airport with his mural !' on Audioboo](#)



It is with great regret that we note the Blue Moon Cafe on the corner of Broughton Street and Barony Street has closed its doors. The word on the street is that the premises will be split in two and may become a chippy and a Thai restaurant. The Edinburgh Reporter has fond memories of the chilli served at the Blue Moon, and we are sad to witness the demise of another Edinburgh institution.

Council Leader Andrew Burns has decided to take up a bet he and his father made some time ago, and he will be entering for the Edinburgh Marathon next year. He will be raising money for Venture Scotland and has promised to keep [a blipfoto diary](#) for the whole year when he is training from May 2013 through to late May 2014, where he will record his running and fundraising ... you can [see that here](#).

Councillor Burns said:-“I now promise to keep all-things

fundraising on the [blipfoto diary](#), and via [twitter](#), and the blog will promptly return to much more important matters, such as the shocking progress with my Allotment-crops this year ;-)" And of course, being a man of many talents, he will also lead the Capital Coalition as it heads towards 2014 when the trams will be on the streets.