

Five things you need to know today



The Open at Muirfield – North Edinburgh Walking Tour – Hopetoun Town & Country Fair – Dirty Dancing in Musselburgh – Arthur’s Seat

The Open begins today at Muirfield. If you are interested in knowing who is playing when there is a list of tee times on The Open [official website here](#). But apart from that you can download the app to your phone which will allow you to keep up to date no matter where you are.

The App has been specially developed for the 2013 Open and will feature a range of digital innovations designed to bring fans closer to the action and give them a unique behind-the-scenes view of the Championship.

Among the many features of the App will be up-to-the-minute live scoring, video highlights of the play and an interactive course guide. Live coverage from @TheOpen Live and @TheOpen RADIO will be available along with coverage of holes 9, 10 and 11 during the Championship. The Open Timeline offers fans a wealth of historical information about golf’s oldest Major Championship.

The App, along with the Official Open Championship Apps available on the Android, BlackBerry and Windows 8 Mobile platforms, is part of an expanded array of digital content designed to enhance the spectator experience at this year’s Championship.

Michael Tate, Executive Director – Business Affairs at The R&A, said:-“We are continually looking at ways to deliver a better experience for spectators and golf fans at The Open

Championship. Our fans around the world download our apps in huge numbers and relish being able to interact digitally with The Open.

“The new App will enable people to access a great deal of dynamic digital content from live TV and radio to video highlights and live scoring. It will be an ideal tool for people with handheld devices who will be able to follow their favourite players from wherever they are whether it is at home, in the office or on the move anywhere.”

[TheOpen.com website](#) enables people to access wall-to-wall live coverage of play on the interactive digital channel @TheOpen Live and through multiple television and radio channels available online. The website’s newly designed video player will allow spectators to watch live and on-demand video seamlessly in the same player.

Users at home can follow comprehensive television coverage of all four days of the Championship from the official broadcasters – the BBC in the UK and ESPN in America on the website. Scoring has been further enhanced with a new hole statistics section and the interactive course guide features 3D flyovers of all 18 holes of the course as well as extensive information about Muirfield.

To download the apps visit the following links:

- [iPhone and iPad](#)
- [Android](#)
- [BlackBerry](#)
- [Windows Phone 8](#)

The North Edinburgh News (NEN) is a community newspaper – they are hosting a fundraising event to promote the range of services and facilities in and around the Granton, Pilton, Muirhouse, Drylaw and Royston areas that are all within walking distance of each other. They also want to raise

awareness of how the NEN is an effective community resource that everyone can help to retain.

North Edinburgh News Walk-a-thon

Discover what's on your doorstep and support the NEN community newspaper.

Saturday 20 July 2013

Start at Edinburgh College, Granton Campus, 350 West Granton Rd, Edinburgh EH5 1QE

Registration from 10.00am

Warm up with the Edinburgh Zumba Boys and choose from 3 routes to suit your interest and ability.

Walk begins 10.30 am

Finish between 11.30am and 2.30pm depending on route chosen

FREE Refreshment available at 6 community centres along the routes – drop in and see what events, activities and support you can access.

This is a free to enter activity, while any donations or sponsor funding will be greatly appreciated your presence and support is the best reward.

For more information visit

<http://northedinburghnews.wordpress.com/>

<https://www.facebook.com/events/599397676772297/>

The Hopetoun Town and Country Fair takes place next weekend. It is exactly what the name suggests. It is at Hopetoun House near South Queensferry and there will be lots of things to see and do on both days. The main event is the horse event. Between 8:00am and 5:00pm you will be able to watch the dressage, cross country and show jumping. There is live music from 10:00am till 4:00pm on the West Lawn and a selection of demonstrations including cooking demonstrations in the AGA tent.

You might be able to try clay pigeon shooting, quad biking and other outdoor sports tasters at the Hopetoun Activity Centre on Abercorn Road. Children will be well catered for and those under 12 will be admitted for free. There will be modern and classic cars including the Jaguar Enthusiasts Club exhibited on the West Lawn.

After that you might need a wee cup of tea so the Adam Stables will be offering afternoon tea, although be aware that the package costs £35 each so be hungry! There will also be shopping of all kinds on offer.

[More details here on the website.](#)



Stage Acts Entertainment's smash hit homage to one of the greatest movie soundtracks of all time, An Evening of Dirty Dancing is making its Edinburgh Festival debut at the Brunton Theatre on 9 August 2013 and It promises to be the ultimate summer night out! The show is a fully choreographed, theatrical celebration of the music from the iconic movie, starring West End leading lady and winner of the BBC Radio 2 Voice of Musical Theatre, Aimie Atkinson.

Aimie Atkinson is joined by Sophie Ayers who recently played Marina in Loserville at the Garrick Theatre. Other new cast members include Jonathan Mark-Mawson (Legally Blonde), Darren John (Grease, Zombie Prom), Laura Ellis and Joe Murphy. Original cast members Matt Firth (Fame, Tonight's the Night), Lucy Hope- Borne and Stephanie Ticknall- Smith continue in their roles.

An Evening of Dirty Dancing is a sell-out spectacular originally directed by Paul Spicer (Avenue Q, The Last 5 Years, Taboo) with choreography by Leanne Harwood (Mamma Mia!, Footloose). Dirty Dancing boasts the greatest movie soundtrack of all time and all the hits are here, superbly performed in this fast moving, slickly choreographed theatrical treat. Songs include: She's Like the Wind, Big Girls Don't Cry, Hey Baby, Wipeout, Do You Love Me, Be My Baby, Hungry Eyes and, of course, the Oscar-winning (I've Had) The Time of My Life.

Aimie Atkinson has enjoyed a prolific West End career most recently starring as Shelby Stevens in Steel Pier at the Union Theatre to great critical acclaim, she was the winner of the prestigious BBC Radio 2 Voice of Musical Theatre. Aimie played the role of Amber in Legacy Falls (New Players Theatre) and Theresa in the workshop Blockbuster for Paul Nicholas. Previous to this, Aimie starred as the lead role of Chloe in the original National Tour of the Take That musical Never Forget. Aimie also originated the lead role of Luisa in the UK Tour of Zorro.

The show's producer Stage Acts Entertainment said "The atmosphere is always electric. There's something about this soundtrack that ignites even the dullest of days. If you loved the movie, you'll love this show! We totally encourage our audience to get up and dance and sing and immerse themselves in the summer of '63".

Please note this production is not affiliated with Dirty Dancing: The Classic Story on Stage on tour in the UK or worldwide.

AN EVENING OF DIRTY DANCING Friday 9 August 2013 – 7.30pm

Brunton Theatre, Ladywell Way, Musselburgh EH21 6AA

Tickets – £16.00 / £14.00 (concession), buy 9 get 10th free
Call Box Office – 0131 665 2240 or visit www.hubtickets.co.uk
or www.edfringe.com

We all grew up did we not with the joke, "Why was Holy Rood? Because she looked up Arthur's Seat!" Boom Tish.

The volcanic mound is another iconic one in our capital city and now a stunning display of images detailing the history of Arthur's Seat has been unveiled at Edinburgh's Central Library in the first major exhibition about the landmark. *A Mountain in our Midst*, displayed in the Central Library Mezzanine area, details the history of Arthur's Seat – from its geological beginnings as a volcano to its influence on art and literature and concluding with its place in modern day Edinburgh.

Images have been taken from the Edinburgh & Scottish Collection of Central Library's archive of prints and photographs, with additional items borrowed from Archaeology Scotland, The Museum of Edinburgh, Canongate Kirk and contemporary artists, with supporting material from the Edinburgh Geological Society and National Museums Scotland. Edinburgh City Libraries has been working with Valerie Fiddes, a researcher who has worked with professors of art and architecture and has managed the University of Edinburgh's Talbot Rice, to source images for the exhibition.

Deputy Lord Provost Councillor Deidre Brock, formally opened the exhibition which will run until 31 August.

She said: "It's staggering is amazing to think that such an iconic landmark hasn't previously been part of a major exhibition into its history and influence on modern day life.

"Arthur's Seat, once described as "the stone heart of Edinburgh's soul" is a world-famous focal point of the city, climbed by thousands of residents and tourists each year.

"The site is steeped in history and has influenced art and literature over hundreds of years, bringing infamy to this ancient volcano. I'm delighted that Central Library will play

host to such an important and worthwhile exhibition.”

Lorna Ewan, Head of Visitor Experience, Content and Learning at Historic Scotland said:-“Arthur’s Seat is a much-loved Edinburgh landmark so it’s wonderful to see it taking centre-stage in this exhibition. For the people of Edinburgh it’s an iconic part of the city’s fabric and it’s hugely popular with visitors from across the world.

“There is so much fascinating history and archaeology associated with Arthur’s Seat so I’m delighted that people are being given the opportunity to learn more about this increasingly fragile part of our cityscape.”

Central Library opening hours are:

Monday to Wednesday: 10.00 – 20.00

Thursday to Saturday: 10.00 – 17.00

