

Five things you need to know today



Fire safety advice – Festival of Sport – Edinburgh International Book Festival pick of the day – Edinburgh Festival Fringe pick of the day – Night classes

Firefighters were called out just before 11:00am on Sunday 18 August in response to a fuse box fire in a top-floor flat at The Green just north of Queensferry Road.

Two firefighters in breathing apparatus entered the premises and extinguished the fire using a CO2 extinguisher.

A woman suffering from smoke inhalation was given oxygen at the scene before being taken by ambulance to Edinburgh Royal Infirmary.

A Scottish Fire and Rescue Service spokesperson explained:-
“Thankfully, this property had a working smoke alarm. Smoke alarms save lives.”

“We recommend that every home has a working smoke alarm. You should test it every week. If you or someone you know is living without smoke detection in their home we can help with a free home fire safety visit.”

“Local firefighters will visit you at home, fit free smoke alarms as required, help you identify any specific fire risks in your home and make an escape plan so you know what to do if fire breaks out.”

The Scottish Fire and Rescue Service remind people about this each Tuesday when they tweet using the hashtag

[#testittuesday](#) To book a free Home Fire Safety Visit please:

Text 'fire' to 61611

Call 0800 0731 999

Visit: www.firescotland.gov.uk

Edinburgh's Festival of Sport is taking place from 24 August – 8 September. Bigger and better than in previous years, the event is a bumper fortnight of sport for all to get involved in. It's the perfect opportunity to try new sports, find out about the sports clubs in your area and all of the Festival activities are FREE.

[Further details here](#) and the programme is here

[Fest of Sport Booklet Lr](#)



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At the Book Festival this evening there are still a couple of

events for which tickets are available. One is Rachel Kushner meeting Colm Tóibín at 8:30pm.

This is how they describe it [on their website](#):-

*Already a darling of the US literary scene, Rachel Kushner is taking Europe by storm with *The Flame Throwers*, her thrilling, alluring story of a young woman in the 1970s whose success in a motorbike speed trial leads her from the New York art scene into a world of Italian radicalism. In this event Kushner talks with Colm Tóibín about the astonishing images and ideas that inspired her novel.*

☒ At the Assembly Rooms later this morning you could be wowed by a children's show.... with the Amazing Bubble Man.

“Louis Pearl has been thrilling audiences around the world for nearly 30 years with the art, magic, science and fun of bubbles. A Fringe favourite, he has sold out every year for the last six years. Louis explores the breath-taking dynamics of bubbles, combining comedy and artistry with audience participation and enough spellbinding bubble tricks to keep everyone mesmerized. From square bubbles, bubbles inside bubbles, fog-filled bubbles, giant bubbles, bubble volcanoes, tornados and trampolines to people inside bubbles, the Amazing Bubble Man conjures shrieks of laughter and gasps of amazement from all ages. www.amazingbubbleman.com”

[More details and booking here.](#)

Time to think about the autumn and winter ahead and plan your night classes in photography, woodwork or butterfly spotting... Actually that is not included but there is a huge list on the

Adult Education website from which you can choose according to location and your interests.

[You can book your Mandarin, Cookery classes or Yoga here....](#)

Our photo today was taken on Saturday evening of the extended fireworks following the second show of the Tattoo at the Castle Esplanade. If you have taken any then please share them with us! theedinburghreporter@gmail.com



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