

Five things you need to know today



Send us a postcard with EdinburghReportage – Blackhall Library having a busy summer – Visit the Scottish Parliament this summer – Today at the Edinburgh International Magic Festival – Burgers in Edinburgh

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Watch the video below which will show you how and then have a look at our storyboards and see if there is one that you wish to contribute to. Click the add your contribution button and follow the instructions to add your photo or video.

Today we have just set up a new storyboard for you to send your virtual postcards. The summer holidays have just begun. If you are reading this from a beach in the Med or a cruise ship on the high seas will you share your 'postcard' with us? Go on tell us where you have got to! The Edinburgh Reporter is not off on holidays at the moment so we would love to see

where you are all off to.

And if you have ideas for new storyboards then do let us know!
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Although the Scottish Parliament is now in recess till 3 August the parliament building remains open for visitors. The current recess means that parliament reconvenes for a mere 20 days before a further recess till after the Scottish Independence Referendum in September. There is a cafe, guided tours and an exhibition in the main entrance hall. At present the Honours of Scotland are on display.

All details of the tours and how to organise your visit [are here.](#)



Today you can take your young children aged over 4 to see Colonel Custard doing magical things, and you are promised mayhem!

“Colonel Custard is the current British Children’s Entertainer National Champion. He has been entertaining children for over a decade with his unique blend of fun-

filled magical mayhem. His award-winning children's shows have taken him around the world, delighting audiences both young and old with his crazy antics. The magic show includes juggling, levitation, unicycling and loads more surprises along the way. Fun for all the family with slapstick comedy and "blow your brains" magic."

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

Scottish Storytelling Centre at 5pm.

Have a read at the full programme here. The Festival runs till 4 July 2014.

<http://www.theedinburghreporter.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2014/06/Magic-Fest-2014.pdf>

☒ Foodies and gourmet burger aficionados may be in for a treat when a new burger joint with Michelin star pedigree opens its doors in Edinburgh at the end of this week

Following in the footsteps of its Glasgow restaurant, which launched in July 2013 and was crowned 'Best Burger in Glasgow' in its first year, **Burger Meats Bun** will open in the capital on Friday 4 July 2014 at midday on Edinburgh's Forth Street.

The award winning burger bar is the brainchild of friends Ben Dantzic and James Forrest, who met working at the renowned, Michelin-starred, Peat Inn in Fife.

Burger Meats Bun in Edinburgh combines a cool, laid-back and rustic interior with an ethos of sustainability, using only the finest ingredients from Scottish artisan suppliers and producers including The Aberfoyle Butcher, Gartmorn Farm and cheesemonger George Mewes.

The menu is simplistic, focusing on freshness and quality

rather than quantity of options, and specialising in burgers made from the best Scotch beef and slow grown, organic chicken.

The drinks list also stays true to the Burger Meats Bun philosophy, offering a range of quality and interesting specially sourced alternatives to the usual suspects. Happy Chappy Pale Ale from Cromarty Brewery, north of Inverness will be available – a stunning handcrafted ale not found in many eateries and watering holes around Edinburgh. Seasonal beers from West Brewery will also be available throughout the year.

Director and Manager Ben Dantzic (29), who has worked in a selection of Michelin-starred restaurants and was most recently the Manager at Restaurant Andrew Fairlie in Gleneagles Hotel before opening the first Burger Meats Bun in Glasgow in 2013, said: “Burger Meats Bun fuses high quality produce and mouth-watering recipes with a cool interior and atmosphere to offer a brilliant, yet accessible culinary experience. We’re really pleased with how the concept has been received in Glasgow in the last year and are now excited to be expanding our business and bringing it to Edinburgh.”

Director and Head Chef James Forrest (31) who has worked as a chef in Etain and The Peat Inn, added: “From our experience working in the fine dining sector with some of the best chefs in the UK, we noticed a real gap in the market for a casual concept, using first-class ingredients and making everything from scratch, and Burger Meats Bun does just that. We hope that Edinburgh foodies will enjoy it as much as our Glasgow customers have.”

When Burger Meats Bun opens on Forth Street on Friday it will mark a year to the day since the restaurant opened in Glasgow.

For further information about Burger Meats Bun and to view the menus please visit www.burger-meats-bun.co.uk

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Burger Meats Bun – Burgers. But Better.

Opening Times

Tuesday – Sunday – 12-10pm

Monday – Closed