

Five things you need to know today



Edinburgh man disqualified as company director

Festival Carnival

Tom Jones

Travelling Gallery

Scottish Car Show

Ian MacKay, a director of Edinburgh Timber Products Limited, a joinery company, has been disqualified as director for 12 years for acting as a director while bankrupt.

Mr MacKay, 53, of Edinburgh, has given an undertaking to the Secretary of State for Business Innovation and Skills has given an undertaking to the Secretary of State for Business, Innovation & Skills not to act as a director, manage, or in any way control a company for 12 years from 26 June 2014.

Commenting on the disqualifications, Robert Clarke, Group Leader – Insolvent Investigations North, said: “In order to maintain stakeholder trust in the corporate structure it is imperative that we have sufficient transparency, such that businesses know that the registered directors of a company are responsible individuals who will effectively discharge the stewardship function for which they are responsible.

“Where individuals seek to hide their involvement to act in contravention of a statutory ban, and others assist in that deception, they can expect to be the subject of rigorous investigation and to be removed from the corporate arena for a lengthy period.”

Mr MacKay’s co-directors, William Holmes (58) and Craig MacKenzie (32), who were both registered as directors of the company for eighteen months were also disqualified for a

period of two and a half years each in March 2014 due to their failure to supervise and control the company's affairs.

Mr MacKay was a director of Edinburgh Timber Products Limited which was wound up with debts of nearly £100,000 in Edinburgh Sheriff Court on 28 May 2012, following a petition by HM Revenue & Customs.

The investigation found he acted as a director of the company from its incorporation on 16 February 2009 until the appointment of the Liquidator on 28 May 2012, notwithstanding that, as a result of his bankruptcy he was prohibited from acting in this capacity, whilst he was sequestered over the period 6 October 2010 to 6 October 2011.

The investigation found that Mr MacKay used Edinburgh Timber Products Limited as a successor enterprise to allow his failed sole trader business, Ian MacKay Joiners, to continue trading and that throughout the entire trading period of the company, he maintained full control of its affairs.

The investigation also found that for 16 months between February 2011 and 28 May 2012, Mr MacKay caused the company to trade to the detriment of HM Revenue & Customs, paying out over £400,000 against other debts over the course of trading but making no payments to HM Revenue & Customs, leaving them with a debt of £68,548 when the company failed, a debt which spanned three consecutive tax years.

The Edinburgh Festival Carnival takes place today, and we hope the weather is better than yesterday. This means that there will be disruption to just about every bus service that Lothian Buses runs, but only between 1.00 and 4.00pm. Check out actual status for buses and trams [here](#). Avoid Princes Street if you are not interested in crowds, music, dancing and general fun. The Carnival Facebook page explains what it is all about:-

“On Sunday, July 20, Edinburgh’s city centre will be awash with music, dance and colour as the Carnival spirit arrives

in town to mark the opening of the 2014 Summer Festival season.

From 2pm to 4pm, the Edinburgh Festival Carnival will present more than 400 international and local performers, taking residents and visitors to the city on a vibrant global musical journey. There will be fun and entertainment for the family throughout the afternoon, providing a free day out, thanks to the support of City of Edinburgh Council.

With a combination of professionals and amateurs, the Carnival is an adventure in rhythm and melody with music, dance, colourful costumes and street entertainment."

If you fancy hearing some jazz then [click here](#) for the Jazz Festival programme for today.

✘ One of the judges of The Voice is singing on the Castle Esplanade tonight. Tom Jones will be strutting his stuff for all his fans.

Tickets are possibly still on sale

Online: www.ticketmaster.com, www.seetickets.com

Ticket hotline: 08444 999 990

The annual bus stop tour of art is launching for the summer.

✘ The Travelling Gallery getting ready to tour
For the past 25 years the [Travelling Gallery](#) has played an active part in showcasing Scottish artists, and now it is to be part of [GENERATION](#) , a nationwide celebration of

contemporary art in Scotland.

The exhibition will take place in over 60 venues between 19 July – 14 November 2014.

The Travelling Gallery is a mobile art gallery, custom-built in a big, beautiful bus. The bus will travel the length and breadth of Scotland, visiting schools, high streets, community centres, and many other venues on the way.

Councillor Richard Lewis, Culture and Sport Convenor for the City of Edinburgh Council, said: "Once again the Travelling Gallery is set to be a fascinating exhibition which will draw crowds from communities across Scotland.

"This year, I am particularly looking forward to a short film that has been developed for the exhibition which includes artists talking about their work to pupils from Edinburgh schools. Another highlight will be seeing the bus when it returns to the City Art Centre as part of the Edinburgh Art Festival in August."

To find out where the gallery will tour and when it visit Edinburgh, see the [Travelling Gallery](#) listings.

The Scottish Car Show is on today at The Royal Highland Centre Ingliston from 10am till 5pm.

"The Scottish Car Show is the largest indoor/outdoor family day out around, providing top notch vehicles from all walks of life. Add to this first class entertainment throughout the day, a massive stunt show featuring the World's Greatest Stunt Performers, Illusionest, Petting Zoo, Kids Zone and fun for all the family. We've got over 1,000 cars on display, plus our indoor arena's showcasing the best cars around from sleek supercars to stickerbombed rat wagons. All ages can get involved in the action too from taking a trip on the Land

Train to passenger laps in the infamous Drift Taxis where you can experience firsthand the thrills and spills of being inside a fully spec'd drift wagon as it glides sideways, tyres smoking round our tarmac trac."

[Ticket details here.](#)