

Five things you need to know today!



Granton on Sea

Fringe Tip of the Day

The Two Hour Marathon

Rugby fixtures

Leith Walk By-Election

Granton on Sea or Granton Sur Mer to give it its Sunday name is an ambitious project which has been gathering steam in the three years since it was formalised.

Today they will hope to make a deputation to the Culture and Sport Committee at the City Chambers to explain their plans and perhaps gain some support.

They list among their hopes these aims:

1. An International Garden Festival in the Walled Garden modelled upon a similar project in central France at Chaumont sur Loire.
2. An artisans village comprising 100 work spaces and cafe/bar and gallery spaces. This will be a green roofed project thus turning the whole site over to public access green space.
3. A Lido on the Waterfront, 3 pools all heated from a heat exchanging system with water from the River Forth.

This is their full submission to the council:



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What do you think? Would it be a good idea for Granton to regenerate in this way?

Watch the Culture and Sport Committee meeting [here](#).





Our tip today is an exhibition called Incognito: The Art of Disguise at The Nomad's Tent.

An amazing exhibition of tribal, ceremonial and performance masks from Africa and Asia – a collection of traditional masks from Western and Central African tribes, plus a colourful selection of Indonesian dance masks, curious masks from India and contemporary Scottish masks inspired by the traditional.

Today at 12 noon Dr Sarah Worden of the National Museum of Scotland will give a talk, Masks and Masquerade, for you to learn more about these fascinating – and sometimes quite scary – artefacts.

Both the exhibition and the talk are free, but The Nomad's Tent asks that you call the shop on 0131 662 1612 if you wish to book a place for the talk. If you can't manage today, Dr Worden is repeating the talk at 6pm on Friday 21st.

Incognito: The Art of Disguise is open 10am-5pm every day at The Nomad's Tent, St Leonard's Lane until 31st August 2015. You'll be able to see the shop's wonderful stock of rugs, ornaments, jewellery and furniture too.



Breaking two hours for a marathon will be a moment of history, pushing beyond what most thought the human body was capable of. People remember where they were when Mt Everest was climbed, or when the mile was first run in under four minutes by Sir Roger Bannister. It will be the same for the first sub-two-hour marathon. On Sunday, 23rd August, at the Meadows in Edinburgh, a terrific charity event will offer people the chance to run at two-hour marathon pace for a few hundred yards (or to watch others try) and to hear from the expert who has researched what it would take for an athlete to smash through the two-hour barrier. The two-hour marathon event is part of the Medic 1 Summer Fair, which will offer a range of fun filled activities and will help raise money to support the Medic 1 Trust – saving lives, and providing better emergency healthcare in South East Scotland.

[Read more here.](#)

This Saturday Stewart's Melville RFC 2nd XV play Stirling County at Inverleith 1330 kick off followed by the 1st XV @ 1500.

The first league match v Howe of Fife is a 1330 pm kick off

due to the Scotland game on the 29th August.

The following people have been nominated to stand as candidates in the Leith Walk Ward By-Election taking place on 10 September 2015:

[DONALDSON, Marion](#) – Scottish Labour Party

HUSSAIN, Mo – Scottish Liberal Democrats

LAIRD, Tom – Scottish Libertarian Party

MELVILLE, Alan Gordon – UK Independence Party (UKIP)

MURDIE, Gordon – Scottish Conservative and Unionist

[RAE, Susan Jane](#) – Scottish Green Party

REID, Natalie – Scottish Socialist Party

RITCHIE, John Lewis – Scottish National Party (SNP)

SCOTT, John Ferguson – Independent

WHITEHEAD, Bruce William – Left Unity

We have already interviewed two of them (click the links on Susan Rae and Marion Donaldson's names above) but have more work to do! Any candidates should get in touch with us for an interview opportunity during the week beginning 24 August.

Broughton Spurtle are running a hustings later this month in the Leith Walk Ward. They have provisionally scheduled 27 August but the date is to be confirmed

[Details here!](#)

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