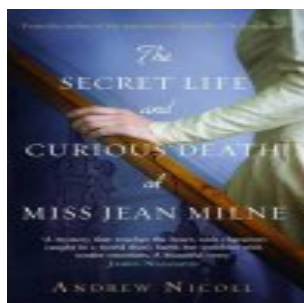


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You can listen to Edinburgh's own Stevie Creed here or you can go and see him in person tomorrow night at Liquid Room! Click the image below for ticket details for The Brooklyn Scotsman.



Previously... and Blackwell's Edinburgh Present Writing Historic

Fiction. Is writing Historic Fiction different from General Fiction? As part of **Previously...Scotland's History Festival**, authors **Millie Gray** and **Andrew Nicoll** discuss just that. Millie Gray is a writer and professional storyteller born and raised in Leith and now living in Edinburgh. Her humorous plays attract audiences from all over Scotland and she is much in demand to do workshops and talks about her work. Millie's novels are set in a fictional street in Leith in the first half of the 20th century; her latest book is ***Silver Linings***, which is based in the shipyards of Leith and follows the ups and downs of the Anderson family through the darkest days of the Second World War as they struggle to survive. Journalist Andrew Nicoll has lived in Broughty Ferry, near Dundee, for most of his life. After a brief job as a lumberjack, he has been a journalist for a number of daily newspapers and is now a Scottish Political Reporter for The Sun. He wrote his début novel, the love story ***The Good Mayor***, while commuting between home and Holyrood in Edinburgh. His latest novel ***The Secret Life and Curious Death of Miss Jean Milne*** is a murder mystery set in Broughty Ferry just before the First World War.

This event takes place at Blackwell's at **6pm tonight** and is FREE but ticketed. Tickets are available in person from the desk on the Ground Floor at **Blackwell's Bookshop**, South Bridge, by phoning 0131 622 8222 or emailing events.edinburgh@blackwell.co.uk. Tickets can also be booked on Eventbrite [here](#). For more information please contact **Ann Landmann** on the number above or email ann.landmann@blackwell.co.uk

For a full line-up of **Previously...** events please visit the festival's website [here](#).



Scottish biofuel pioneers Celtic Renewables were recognised as the "Emerging Business of the Year" at this year's Scottish

Business Awards last week. The most outstanding companies and entrepreneurs from across the country were honoured at the star-studded awards ceremony, which featured Oscar winner and Hollywood icon George Clooney as the guest speaker.

Over 2,000 delegates attended what is believed to have set a record as the UK's largest ever business dinner, which was held at the EICC in Edinburgh. The awards were hosted by TV comedian Rob Brydon and the guests were treated to more than an hour of storytelling from Hollywood legend George Clooney, who was interviewed on-stage by celebrity broadcaster (and new Top Gear presenter) Chris Evans.



Chris Evans and George Clooney

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Sir Tom Hunter used the launch of The Kiltwalk to call for an absolute focus on ridding Scotland of child poverty, saying: "Scotland can lead the world in becoming the first nation to eradicate child poverty; we can't ignore it, we can change it so every child has the opportunity to be all they can be. It falls upon our generation to tackle this and tackle it we should; we are small enough, agile enough and committed enough to get this done."

The philanthropist launched The Kiltwalk for 2016 repeating his commitment to underwrite all the costs so that every single penny, every single pound raised by walkers will go to supporting children's charities across Scotland.

He also announced a three-year partnership deal with the STV Children's Appeal and that The Royal Bank of Scotland and Arnold Clark are joining The Kiltwalk as key strategic partners, with the Royal Bank of Scotland becoming headline sponsor for the four major events next year in Glasgow,

Aberdeen, Speyside and Edinburgh.

In addition, Arnold Clark is also providing major sponsorship support for The Kiltwalk which will see more than 10,000 walkers sign-up with an ambition to raise more than £1.5 million for children's charities across Scotland.

The STV Children's Appeal, partnered by Scotland's biggest commercial broadcaster, STV has signed a three-year partnership agreement which will give The Kiltwalk increased exposure across Scotland. Any monies not specifically allocated by walkers to their chosen charity will go to the STV Children's Appeal for distribution. The STV Children's Appeal is supported by the Scottish Government who have agreed to match fund the first one million pounds raised.

Sir Tom, speaking at the National Stadium Hampden Park, said he was confident Kiltwalk will become Scotland's biggest mass participation event – and it's those who need it most who will benefit – adding: “The Royal Bank of Scotland, Arnold Clark and the STV Children's Appeal share our vision that we can and will stamp out child poverty as well as helping young people most in need all across Scotland and I'm delighted to welcome them as key partners; hopefully we will welcome many more!”

Chris Wilson, Managing Director, Branch and Private Banking, Royal Bank of Scotland said: “The Royal Bank of Scotland is delighted to support The Kiltwalk for 2016. The charity is loved and respected by many of our colleagues who see the positive impact Kiltwalk makes to the lives of children in the towns in which they live and work.

“Through programmes like the Skills and Opportunities Fund and the support the Royal Bank of Scotland offered this year to the STV Children's Appeal, we recognise how important it is to support projects which deliver real change for communities. Our new relationship with Kiltwalk and the four events taking place next year will offer a great opportunity for colleagues

to get involved, volunteer and even take part.

“We hope our support will allow Kiltwalk to take another step towards helping even more children across Scotland.”

The dates for The Kiltwalk 2016 are: April 24 (Glasgow), June 5 (Aberdeen), August 14 (Speyside) and September 18 (Edinburgh).


To register go to thekiltwalk.co.uk



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