

Five things you need to know on New Year's Day 2016



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New Year, new you

Loony Dook

Take the bus to Musselburgh Races today

Turner at the Scottish National Gallery today



A very Happy New Year to you all. We hope you have had a good time overnight and that 2016 is everything you wish it to be.

Today there is a mini pop up festival offering free entertainment across the city centre. You may be too late to book but if you get along to the Edinburgh's Hogmanay [website](#) you may be able to get a free ticket, or chance your arm and get along to the Old College just after midday.

The all-important element of chance returns again this year, as audiences 'check in' at the Departure Lounge in the University of Edinburgh's Old College, before spinning a compass to discover their first destination on a randomly, tantalisingly selected, unpredictable journey through eleven hidden Edinburgh Old Town venues – some familiar and some unknown and rarely accessible to the public.

[Read more here.](#)



Today is of course a good day to start new habits and make resolutions. One of our sponsors has a great way for you to be super healthy this year.

The Health & Beauty Juicery offers cold pressed juices delivered to your front door. Click below for more 'juice-full' information!



The Loony Dook takes place today in South Queensferry. You are too late to book your place but you can certainly go and watch anytime from around 12.30 onwards. The actual swim takes place about 2.30 but there will be lots to see at the RNLI station at the Hawes Pier before that.

This year, the event is brought to you by [Stoats](#), Edinburgh's favourite porridge pioneers. They'll be there on the day, warming everyone up with free bowls of energising porridge, plenty of giveaways and a fabulous fancy dress photo stage. From there, participants will join the Dooker Parade through the High Street before throwing themselves into the freezing Firth of Forth!

Spectators are welcome to cheer on the Dookers at various vantage points along the route or down on the beach. South Queensferry has a variety of pubs, cafes and restaurants, all open on New Year's Day.

[Special Stagecoach services](#) will also be available on New Year's Day operating between Edinburgh to South Queensferry to the Stoats Loony Dook.

[Click to download the New Year's Day timetable](#) and please note journey time from Edinburgh city centre to South Queensferry is approx. 45mins.





Today there will be racing at Musselburgh and if you are worrying about how to get there then worry no more as First Bus are running a service to Edinburgh for £5 return.

[More information here.](#)



Today the annual display of Turner opens at the Scottish National Gallery. Go today or sometime in January.

Turner in January: The Vaughan Bequest – works by the artist Joseph Mallord William Turner (1775–1851).

TURNER IN JANUARY 2016:

THE VAUGHAN BEQUEST

1–31 January 2016

Scottish National Gallery


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