

Five things to do in Edinburgh in the next five days



The Lord Provost has no decision to make about what to do this weekend. He is running the London Marathon in his trademark T-shirt!

[The Lord Provost is training for two marathons](#) from [Phyllis Stephen](#) on [Vimeo](#).

On Saturday morning you could try your hand at sketching with Mark Kirkham the Edinburgh Sketcher. He is going to be at the Assembly Rooms and he will take you through sketching some of the wonderful features you will find there in the Music Room and Ballroom.



“With helpful instruction from Mark Kirkham, a local artist known as the Edinburgh Sketcher, you will quickly pick up sketching skills while increasing confidence in your own artistic ability as you tour the various rooms of this Georgian venue.

“Once you’ve filled your pages with beautiful ink drawings, we’ll end our tour with tea or coffee and time to add watercolour to your sketches and compare our doodles.

“No previous experience is required for this relaxed and informal drawing tour and all materials are provided.”

There are only a few spaces left so [Book your place here!](#)



You could go to POP! On Saturday 22 April 2017 Pedal on Parliament takes place for the sixth year running. This is a peaceful demonstration by cyclists who want to get their message across to the government about infrastructure changes.

The Edinburgh Reporter met with one of the organisers, Kim Harding who told us why they need to keep on speaking up for spending to make cycling safer.

Who's going to [@POPScotland](#) this weekend? We spoke to [@kim_harding](#) about this – the sixth! pic.twitter.com/Mffrt81GQC

– Edinburgh Reporter (@EdinReporter) [April 18, 2017](#)

Buy your tickets for Scotland's National Airshow. This takes place on Saturday 22 July 2017 at the National Museum of Flight at East Fortune. The displays will feature the Red Arrows, the supersonic RAF Typhoon, the Battle of Britain Memorial Flight which includes the Spitfire, Hurricane and Lancaster.

Early Bird Tickets available now. [CLICK HERE.](#)

If you have a postal vote then you could fill it in and send it back. We have some profiles of some of the candidates on our Local Elections page which [you will find here](#). We will be adding to that with more interviews and more information about who you can vote for. If you are a candidate then do get in touch with us. Email us editor@theedinburghreporter.co.uk

The full list of candidates is included in the latest edition of our newspaper. Pick up a copy at Leith Barbers from our friend Keith, or from the Box Office at The Queen's Hall.

We have published an electronic version too which you could

read – do tweet us a photo of yourself or someone dear to you reading it!

Our next edition was due to be published on 30 June – we may bring that forward in view of the [General Election](#) just announced so watch this space!