

# Five things you need to know today

## Presidents Day tradition

Later this morning on Presidents' Day, the White House Historical Association and the U.S. Consulate General Edinburgh will honour the history of Abraham Lincoln and the meaningful leadership his statue at the Old Calton Cemetery represents in a wreath laying ceremony.

Jack Hillmeyer, Consul General, will participate in the ceremony alongside representatives from the Scottish Parliament and Edinburgh Council, and Stewart McLaurin, president of the Association.

This now annual tradition started last year when the Association worked with the U.S. Consulate in Edinburgh to lay a wreath at the Lincoln statue. This year, wreaths will be placed at presidential statues and monuments in the United States and abroad leading up to Presidents' Day in an expanded global tradition led by the White House Historical Association.

Watch out for photos and video later today.



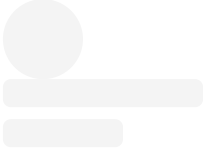
Presidents Day marked with wreath laying in Old Calton Cemetery a new annual event on Monday instigated by the White House Historical Association with Minister for External Affairs Angus Robertson, US Consul General Jack Hillmeyer and City of Edinburgh Councillor, Amy McNeese-Mechan PHOTO ©2022 The Edinburgh Reporter

## Opening today

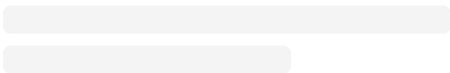
**The newest coffee outlet in town is opening from today at a Pinch of Salt in Morningside, in the former police box just outside M&S.**

This is the third site which Salt are opening in three years in business. Their other outlets are at their café at 54 – 56 Morningside Road and another police box location in Tollcross where they sell Mr Eion espresso based coffees, Press

Healthfoods plant-based products including their smoothies, and Rosevear loose leaf tea and their own baked goodies made by Liv Connolly-Bastock their Head Baker. Open 7am to 3pm.



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# Corstorphine/Murrayfield election

by



Corstorphine High Street

We have interviewed many of the candidates standing for election as the third councillor in Corstorphine/Murrayfield Ward.

But, there are still some would-be councillors who have not been in touch with us. If that is you then please contact us as soon as possible to arrange to meet for an interview.

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## Edinburgh Science Festival

The Edinburgh Science Festival published its extensive programme last week at the museum and called on the whole city to back the theme “Let’s Experiment!”.

Timed to coordinate with the school holidays events run from 1 to 16 April at many venues in the city including the City Art

Centre.

[Read more here.](#)



Edinburgh Science Festival is the first and one of the most respected science festivals in the world, taking place over the Easter holidays, between 1 and 16 April. Known for producing world-class live events, this year's Festival invites everyone to get hands-on with science and embrace the concepts of experimentation, innovation, creativity, curiosity and invention that lie at the heart of its 2023 theme – Let's Experiment! [www.sciencefestival.co.uk](http://www.sciencefestival.co.uk) The photo features Stephanie Maia with daughter Valentina (age 7) experimenting with dry ice at Summerhall, one of the Festival venues.

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EDINBURGH'S FREE LOCAL NEWSPAPER... CAPITAL READ FROM START TO FINISH



Porty team cut through 40 days of Atlantic waves to complete the 3,000 mile voyage

By **STEPHEN RAFFERTY**

**FIVE PORTOBELLO** rowers are finding their land legs after an epic 39 day 3,000 mile journey across the Atlantic which raised more than

£30,000 for young persons' charities. The crew of Atlantic Body & Soul completed the world's toughest rowing test, the Talisker Whisky Atlantic Challenge, overcoming 20ft waves and an overnight power

outage when they had to hand steer the boat in pitch darkness. Sean Watters, Matt Callia, Ed van der Ven, Alec Martin and Cal MacAninch - all members of Eastern Amateur Coastal Rowing

Club - sailed into English Harbour in Antigua to a hero's welcome and the sound of the bagpipes - a fitting end to a six week journey from La Gomera in the Canary Islands. Overcoming physical and mental

exhaustion, the quintet and hundreds of supporters have raised much needed funds for two charities which support young people, Body & Soul and The Junction. *Full story page eight*

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