Five things you need to know today

University of Edinburgh's Sports Hall of Fame

Three sporting icons from the worlds of diving, judo and rifle shooting have been inducted into the University's Sports Hall of Fame.

Grace Reid is one of Scotland's, and Great Britain's, most decorated divers.

Sarah Adlington is a six time British Champion and two-time Commonwealth Games gold medal winning Judoka.

Seonaid McIntosh is a World and European Champion, and Britain's most successful ever rifle female shooter.

Read more here

Tourist tax

The Scottish Government is framing up legislation to enact the tourist levy of around £2 a night with a cap on each tourist of seven nights.

Meanwhile the council leader has expressed his opinion about how the monies should be spent — there could be anything between £5 and £35 million raised from the measure.

Read more here.

Travelling Gallery

The Travelling Gallery will begin its summer tour from Edinburgh on Thursday when it stages an exhibition on Calton Hill from noon until 6pm.

Read more here.



Gabecare — packet of Carbolic soap. Photo Bart Urbanski

Capital Collections

A new album created on Capital Collections documents the Trams to Newhaven tram construction project.

The pictures were taken and kindly donated by Brian Patton, who is a library supporter and lifelong tram enthusiast.

Brian said: "I was born in Glasgow, to families who came from the Isle of Bute and the north of Ireland. This naturally resulted in many trips on Clyde and MacBrayne steamers and on the Irish ships, usually Lairds Isle. It also brought close acquaintance with the tramways of Glasgow, Edinburgh and Belfast and, later, Dundee, Aberdeen and south London. These were then all efficient people movers and, as a wee boy, I was surprised and indeed horrified later to learn that Manchester and Dublin had scrapped their trams and that Belfast, Liverpool and London were following suit.

"During a boring English lesson, a friend showed me, under a desk, a magazine that dealt with trams and so I became an avid reader of 'Modern Tramway' and an enthusiastic member of the publisher, the Light Railway Transport League."

You can see all the photos in his collection here.

And we will bring you some photos and footage later of our first trip on the tram down Leith Walk...



The date for Trams to Newhaven to open to passengers is noon on 7 June 2023 PHOTO ©2023 The Edinburgh Reporter

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RHS artists find their inner sheep for show

By PHYLLIS STEPHEN

IT'S JUNE AND that means it is time to get ready for the annual Royal Highland Show at Ingliston which is sponsored by Royal Bank of Scotland To publicise the event the Royal

Highland and Agricultural Society of Scotland (RHASS) commissione "Flock to the Show", a public art trail made up of fibreglass sheep sculptures which are on tour in Edinburgh and Lothians.

Rosie (photographed left) had incredible fun getting to know these two sculptures at Port Edgar marina. On the left is Esha designed by Central Scotland artist Anna Bilyk and sponsored by Galloway MacLeod.

Anna said her inspiration came from a mixture of landscape and process. She said: "The images are all inspired from travels and surrounding landscapes brought together and iandscapes brought together and merged into a type of visual story. The style of the design comes from the process and style I use to design images for lino printmaking.* On the right Davy Bas-wie was designed by Fife knitwear designer, Jennifer McHardy, and sponsored by Macklin Mottes Longife and

by Macklin Motors. Jennifer said she just loves David Bowie. She said: "he is a true music and style icon, the inspiration for my sheep design came from the iconic knitted jumpsuit designed by Kansai Yamamoto for David Bowie during the Ziggy Stardust era worn by him in 1974. Turn to page three

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