

# Five things you need to know today

## Portobello Kiln to open

The kiln will be open this weekend and next to the public with an installation by Henna Asikainen “Wing Cradle” created working in collaboration with Erland Cooper the Scottish composer and producer and Zainab Adnan. Weaving together myths and politics with ecological concerns Wing Cradle connects the migration of birds with testimonies relating to human migration.

Open on 2, 3 ,9 and 10 September from 11am to 4pm. The installation forms part of Scottish Archaeology Month.

More details of Art Walk Party the festival which takes place in Portobello during September on their [website](#).

## Val McDermid – will keep on writing

As if we thought she would do anything different – Val McDermid has confirmed that she will keep on writing à la Ruth Rendell.

Read more in George Mair’s article [here](#).

## Open Day in September

The Drylaw Neighbourhood Centre are planning an open day on 23 September when Drylaw and Telford Community Council will be on hand to explain their role in the area. Anyone can also have their say on improvements required in local parks and green spaces.

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**OPEN  
DAY  
23 SEPT**



**11AM-3PM**

**Kids activities**

**Raffle**

**Chess/ draughts**

**Bicycle juicing**

**FOOD**

**Wood Craft**

**and LOADS more!**



# The Monarch of the Glen

One of the most famous paintings is being rehung in the new Scottish galleries at the National Gallery of Scotland on The Mound in readiness for the new galleries opening in September. The painting was preserved for the nation through a fundraising campaign to which many members of the public contributed.

[Read more here.](#)



PHOTO Jane Barlow Sir Edwin Landseer, Monarch of the Glen. Oil on canvas. Purchased by the National Galleries of Scotland as a part gift from Diageo Scotland Ltd, with contributions from The National Lottery Heritage Fund, Dunard Fund, Art Fund, the William Jacob Bequest, the Tam O' Shanter Trust, the Turtleton Trust, and the K. T. Wiedemann Foundation, Inc. and through public appeal, 2017.

# Our August issue

Our August newspaper has been out since 1 August, and our September paper is at the printers today.

Our cover story was about Mademoiselle Macaron Rachel Hanretty, with a strapline to our exclusive story about Alex Cole-Hamilton, the leader of the Scottish Liberal Democrats.

Inside there is a feature by George Mair who is writing for us for the first time this month – and loads of sport from both Nigel Duncan and Bill Lothian.

If you would like to receive a copy just a wee bit ahead of everyone else then please subscribe by clicking on the image below. It helps us with the overheads of producing a paper and also ensures that we can keep all of our news output free for all.

(And do read about [Rachel and the Barbie story here](#))

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## Capital firm living the Barbie dream

By PHYLLIS STEPHEN

**RACHEL HANRETTY** started her business, Mademoiselle Macaron, in Edinburgh in 2013. Now some ten years later her trademark products - beautiful macarons - have a starring role in the very pink Greta Gerwig directed blockbuster movie of this summer, Barbie.

The pink delicacies were ordered in five flavours to be delivered to Warner Brothers Studio in Leavesdon, and not just as a perk for the cast, but to appear in a café in Barbie Land.

This was easy for the company based in Bonnington which produces more than 30,000 macarons each week. Rachel learned how to craft the sweet treat in Paris where she first tasted a vanilla macaron on the Champs-Élysées. She attended the Alain Ducasse cookery school in the French capital to perfect making the macarons which is now the centre of her business.

Mademoiselle Macaron products have been on screen before. They appeared on Strictly Come Dancing in 2021 during a dance based in a bakery when a tall tower of macarons appeared on the set. And there is at least one big name that can be revealed as a macaron lover. Courtney Love is a repeat customer who orders their vegan product - and no, we don't know how they make them - the recipe is secret. And in exciting news the business is commissioned to colour match the new Revlon lipstick range in just the right shade.

[mademoisellemacaron.co.uk](http://mademoisellemacaron.co.uk)

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**Bonnington...**  
**...to Barbie Land**

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