

Five things you need to know today

Let them eat cake at Leith Victoria

To celebrate the 125th anniversary of Leith Victoria Swim Centre which is one of the capital's five Victorian pools, Edinburgh Leisure's Active Communities section has put out a call for any keen bakers to submit cakes and tray bakes for a fundraising event this Friday.

The Bake-Off judging will take place at 11.20 – 11.30am following a busy Aqua and yoga class that takes place earlier in the building, when participants often congregate for a coffee and a blether after. Prizes will be awarded to the best bakes.

June Peebles, Edinburgh Leisure's previous Chief Executive, who retired in March after 38 years' service, will be Chief Judge, along with Jen Holland, their new CEO and one of Leith Victoria's regular customers Christine, 71 years-old, who attends 19 classes a week at the pool.

If there are any keen bakers who would like to contribute a traybake, biscuits, cookies or cake for the event, the team at Leith Victoria would love to have your support. Get in touch with susanmcintosh@edinburghleisure.co.uk or juliaadams@edinburghleisure.co.uk



Hustings on Friday

The Edinburgh Climate Hustings, organised by Friends of the Earth for all Edinburgh constituencies, will be held on Friday at Augustine United Church on George IV Bridge at 6pm.

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/climate-hustings-edinburgh-tickets-927445192537?aff=oddtcreator&mc_cid=a83c6bd3a2&utm_source=substack&utm_medium=email

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EDINBURGH FREE LOCAL NEWSPAPER...A CAPITAL READ FROM START TO FINISH



Thomas Hayward Photography

By **PHYLLIS STEPHEN**

IT IS NOW TEN YEARS since Edinburgh Trams began running the passenger service

from Edinburgh Airport to York Place. Actually on the first day the service began at the Gyle Stop with many people trying to be the first passengers to get on board.

Edinburgh Trams have now carried more than 60 million passengers in the last decade on a fleet of 27 trams and employ around 300 people in Edinburgh. Except during Covid

tram income has risen year on year. In 2014 the half year income was £4.782 million and this rose to £23.9 million in 2023.

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The Meadows Croquet Club AGM

The Meadows Croquet Club are holding their AGM on Friday at the club on Melville Drive. Details below.

Friends of the Meadows and Bruntsfield Links

Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organization (SCIO) SC045955, www.fombl.org.uk



Annual General Meeting

The Meadows Croquet Club, Melville Drive.

Friday 28th June 2024 6.00-8.30pm.



**Hear Professor David Purdie's fascinating
illustrated talk on "The Burnses, father &
son and the Meadows"**

Two free croquet lawns available from 5pm

Refreshments will be served.

Come and see what we've done in the last year. All
members and interested parties welcome

DOOH

Keep your eyes peeled in St James Quarter.

DOOH means Digital Out Of Home – and it refers to new portrait screens provided by Ocean Outdoor set up on Multrees Walk and in St James Quarter. These “pedestrianised full motion” screens will be used to broadcast a series of summer sporting fixtures for shoppers to watch, including the Paris 2024 Olympics. St James Quarter (SJQ) has attracted around 19 million people each year since it opened in 2021.

There will also be an official fan zone set up in SJQ during the Paris Olympics when sports fans can support Team GB.

Anne Ledgerwood, estate director, St James Quarter, said: “The addition of the large format screens not only supports Ocean Outdoor bringing captivating advertising creative to the Galleria, but also provides an opportunity to enhance internal enlivenment via the live streaming of our fashion and music events or brand gamification from pop-ups and activations. We are constantly looking at ways of bringing the unexpected to the Quarter and the addition of these screens will provide another channel to engage and excite our guests.”

