

# Five things you need to know today

## General Election coverage

There are five constituencies in Edinburgh with around five or six candidates standing in each.

We have interviewed as many of the candidates as we could reach and those interviews [are on YouTube here](#).

If you are a candidate then today is your last chance to contact us for a very swift chat.

Our election articles [can be found here](#).

## Edinburgh City Mission is hiring

Edinburgh City Mission is hiring a new Men's Worker to join their Food+ team

There are other positions available including a fundraising manager.

The charity is church based and runs food banks and support for refugee and asylum seekers, a toy delivery service, The Care Van as well as a community meal, Soul Food, and a befriending service for older people.

[If this is for you then find out more at the link here](#)



**WE  
ARE  
HIRING**

Men's  
Worker -  
Mission  
Strengthenener  
(Food+ Team)

Get Involved  
with Edinburgh City Mission

## **Lothian Buses have a red wheel**

The National Transport Trust have placed a Red Wheel at the Central Depot on Annandale Street where Lothian operate from. Managing Director Sarah Boyd unveiled the wheel which marks

the transport heritage site.

John Yellowlees, Vice President of the National Transport Trust, said: “The bus is Britain’s most popular mode of public transport, yet how little its heritage has been celebrated.

“Of the 180 Red Wheels awarded since 2009 by the National Transport Trust to designate sites of transport heritage across Britain, only a handful are at bus locations such as Victoria Coach Station or Taunton Bus Station – and until now none were in Scotland.

“I therefore congratulate Lothian Buses in obtaining Red Wheel status for the fine facility that is Annandale Street.”

Sarah Boyd, Managing Director of Lothian, said: “We’re delighted to officially unveil our ‘Red Wheel’, which marks an important moment in our company’s long history in the city. It is often said that Lothian is part of the fixtures and fittings of Edinburgh and so it is rightly fitting that our incredible 105 year old Lothian is honoured as part of this National Transport Trust programme.”



## 6VT 30th anniversary celebration

6VT Edinburgh City Youth Café is holding a 30th anniversary fundraiser on 18 July at Mortonhall Golf Club.

Click on the image below to email 6VT for details.





**6VT Edinburgh City Youth Café  
30th Anniversary  
Fundraising Celebration**

**Thurs 18th of July 2024  
7pm - Midnight  
Mortonhall Golf Club  
231 Braid Road, Edinburgh EH10 6PB  
£50 per head**

**Bookings are now being taken for our celebration fundraising event which will include a hot buffet dinner, raffle and auction.**

**Together we will celebrate the achievements of 6VT Edinburgh City Youth Café over its 30 years during a relaxed enjoyable social gathering.**

**Please get in touch via the booking form to secure your tickets by email [Contact@6vt.info](mailto:Contact@6vt.info)  
Any questions please call Tel: 07708179357**

**We can accommodate guests in both smaller and larger numbers.  
Dress code smart casual.**

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## Gold Standard

The Eric Liddell Community

### City marks the centenary of The Flying Scotsman

By PHYLLIS STEPHEN

**IT WILL BE 100 YEARS** this month since athlete and missionary, Eric Liddell, won an Olympic gold medal in Paris. The story of his victory was the real-life inspiration for the film, Chariots of Fire, and he was not only a sprinter, but also a rugby player, winning seven caps for Scotland and working as a Christian missionary in China.

While he studied at the University of Edinburgh he also played sport for his country - although he had been born in Qing China where his Scottish parents were missionaries.

At the 1924 Olympics he would not run in the heats for the 100 metres race as these were held on a Sunday when he did not play sport. He then competed in the 400 metres heat held on a weekday, and - even though this was not "his" distance - he won.

His name has been given to The Eric Liddell Community (ELC) at Holy Corner which will celebrate the life of their namesake with a series of events this month. ELC is a registered care charity based at Holy Corner where they provide specialist dementia care and help people to overcome loneliness and isolation. The charity, which has HRH The Princess Royal as patron, has begun a fundraising campaign during this year to help them continue with their important work.

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