

New UNESCO City of Literature announced



The world's seventh UNESCO City of Literature has been announced today. Krakow, widely regarded as Poland's cultural capital, has joined Edinburgh, the creator of the title and founding city in the network. Other designated Cities of Literature include Melbourne, Dublin, Iowa City, Norwich and Reykjavik. The Cities of Literature are part of the UNESCO Creative Cities Network, which now has 38 cities across its seven thematic areas.



Wisława Szymborska

Ali Bowden, director of the Edinburgh UNESCO City of Literature Trust said: "Krakow is an amazing literary city and absolutely worthy of this permanent UNESCO City of Literature title. We've been working with Krakow over the last few years to help them with their bid to UNESCO, so today's news is a real achievement and recognises hard work from both cities. Krakow is a place steeped in literature and poetry, with a vibrant community of publishers, bookshops, literary festivals, prizes, residencies and programmes, and also two Nobel Prize winners in Literature to their name: Czesław Miłosz and Wisława Szymborska."

From Robert Piakowski, main coordinator of Krakow UNESCO City of Literature: "We want to thank everyone for supporting our efforts and the real collaboration that has been shown by our fellow Cities of Literature. Krakow looks forward to playing an active role in the network and continuing newfound alliances across the Cities of Literature network. We think of this newly acquired title as a commitment to the vibrant

literary community across the city and we embrace the opportunity to share the best Krakow has to offer with cultural hubs around the world.”



Literary events in Krakow

There are ten other cities preparing bids to join the Cities of Literature network: Vancouver (Canada), Prague (Czech Republic), Lviv (Ukraine), Dunedin (New Zealand), Naples (Italy), Heidelberg (Germany), Tromso (Norway), Lillehammer (Norway), Ljubljana (Slovenia) and Kampala (Uganda).

In response to the news, Darlusz Adler, the Consul General in Edinburgh said: “Edinburgh and Krakow already have collaborated on many cultural projects and I hope with this designation the various cross-cultural initiatives and literary exchanges will grow stronger. “

For further event information visit the City of Literature [website](#) or @EdinCityofLit



Adam Zagajewski

Scottish Independence Referendum chat



A resumé of remarks and comments and pointers to articles about the Scottish Independence Referendum.

People living in Scotland are invited to vote in the referendum on independence from the United Kingdom on 18 September 2014. The referendum question is “Should Scotland be an independent country?”

Whether you intend voting Yes or No to that question, your views, and those of others, have a place here. We invite comments and we also invite you to write about what you think by using our Submit your Story feature [here](#).

The White Paper on independence will be published on 26 November 2013, First Minister Alex Salmond announced at the SNP conference 2013 which ended over the weekend.

He confirmed that the Paper will set out the founding structure of an independent Scotland and said:-“People across the country want to know more about independence.

“They want to hear more about the benefits. They are hungry for information. And we have undertaken to provide that information.

“The more people know about independence, the more likely they are to support it.

“The Scottish Government will publish the White Paper on independence on Tuesday, November 26th.

“It will do two things. Firstly, it will spell out the foundation that we will establish between the referendum next year and the first elections for an independent Scottish Parliament in the spring of 2016.

“Secondly, it will set out clearly and unmistakably that independence is about a Scottish Government that the people choose – an independent Government. And it will set out our vision of Scotland – the ‘why of independence’ – the Scotland that we seek.”

The SNP Conference 2013 wound up at Perth's Concert Hall on Sunday afternoon with some speeches from Government Ministers. Education Minister Mike Russell said this in his speech on Sunday:- "We need the full powers of independence in order to use the tools of a normal nation to eradicate poverty, for poverty saps all initiative and undermines all achievement. Using our welfare, taxation and labour market powers – powers we don't presently have – we will be able to achieve equity in our schools and make sure that poverty, in the words of the first Robert Owen Award winner, Ontario educator Avis Glaze, is not educational destiny. And we will be able to build the high skill, high wage, high-achieving country that we all want to live in.

A country well served by its schools, its colleges and its universities. A learning nation leading learning in the world. But more importantly still, using learning to enrich and take forward a fair, equal, positive, outward looking society."

Convener I regard myself as very fortunate to be Cabinet Secretary for Education and Lifelong Learning. Every day I learn something new and every day I met inspirational people who are also learners, no matter the role they occupy in our education systems."

Nelson Mandela observed that "education is the most powerful weapon that you can use to change the world". And we, of course, are world changers. So we must go on investing in, supporting, encouraging, improving and delivering world quality education in this country of ours. Only by so doing will be able to change what needs to be changed – and that is a great deal."

But we are the lucky generation to have that opportunity. John Adams, the first American Vice President and the second

American president put that sense of excitement and opportunity well when, in 1796 on the eve of voting on the Declaration of Independence, he wrote of his time being one in which his society had “an opportunity of beginning government anew from the foundation and building as they choose.” And he went on to muse on “How few of the human race have ever had an opportunity of choosing a system of government for themselves and their children? How few of them have ever had anything more of choice in government than in climate?”

“We have the chance – unique for our generation and our generation alone – to begin government of Scotland anew from the foundation and to build as we choose. We must engage every citizen of this country in that task. They have choices they wish to make. Let us help them to make them.”

A Yes vote in next year’s referendum will rid Scotland of the corrosive and cynical world of Westminster and allow us to build a better and fairer nation, Yes Scotland Chief Executive Blair Jenkins said on Sunday.

Addressing a Referendum Rally at the SNP conference in Perth, Mr Jenkins said independence was a unique opportunity for Scotland to follow a new path – and to leave behind the broken and discredited system of Westminster rule.

He said: ‘If you are sick and fed up of the corrosive and cynical world of Westminster, then next year we can be rid of all that.

‘Vote Yes and we can say enough to the remote House of Commons and the ridiculous House of Lords. Enough of the war-mongers and the job-cutters; enough of the asset-strippers and mortgage-flippers; enough of the welfare-bashers and the bedroom-taxers.

'Let's be done with them. Let's make our own decisions and live by our own values. It's time to speak up for Scotland. It's time to stand up for Scotland. It's time to vote Yes.'

Mr Jenkins told delegates that the key to winning next September's referendum lay in the grass-roots campaign being carried to every city, town, village, and community the length and breadth of Scotland.

He said: 'Not only do we have the best arguments in the referendum, we also have the best advocates and the best ambassadors.'

'That advantage in numbers and enthusiasm will be crucial as campaigning and canvassing become more intense in this final year. We will have more people with more commitment on more streets knocking on more doors. And that will mean more votes.'

His confidence that Yes would win was based on three big reasons which, he said, would define and transform the debate in the next 11 months:

- The very different character of the two campaigns.
- The overwhelming case for independence from the evidence and the arguments.
- The way public knowledge and awareness will grow in the run-up to September 18.

The promotion of the Yes case in public debates, particularly in major TV events, would also provide a boost for the campaign, he said. The quality of the people on his team who could perform in broadcasting studios gave him a major advantage over his opponents.

'It was notable how quickly David Cameron ran away from the prospect of a televised debate with Alex Salmond,' he told delegates. 'If he had run away any faster, the Prime Minister

could have been a contender for medals in next year's Commonwealth Games in Glasgow.'

Closely linked to the scale of the campaign was the variety and diversity of volunteers committed to delivering a Yes vote, Mr Jenkins explained.

'We have never had so many people from so many different backgrounds, political and non-political, working to achieve an independent Scotland.

'Naturally, that means there are different views of what we might do with the powers of an independent parliament – competing and compelling visions from the SNP, the Scottish Greens, the Scottish Socialists, Labour for Independence, the Common Weal project, Business for Scotland and many other organisations and individuals.

'That wide range of views is a strength – it's the sign of a healthy independent Scottish democracy in the making.

'What unites us in Yes is the democratic principle that Scotland's future should be in Scotland's hands, that the best people to make decisions on what is right for our country are the people of Scotland themselves.

Mr Jenkins added: 'What a contrast we present to Better Together. For the No campaign the day is never bright. It is only every dark, very dark. Their emotional range is strictly limited – anger and aggression, or fear and anxiety. And that's on a good day.

'We have our vision and our values. They have their scares and their smears. This referendum is a contest between Project Hope and Project Fear.'

He said only a Yes vote guaranteed that Scotland would get the governments it chose, and end the travesty of being governed from London by a political party that Scotland had

consistently and repeatedly rejected, with policies that Scotland had consistently and repeatedly rejected – from the Poll Tax to the Bedroom Tax.

Mr Jenkins continued: 'If the democratic case for independence is overwhelming, then so too is the case based on greater prosperity. The facts bear frequent repetition. There have been stronger public finances in Scotland than in the UK, not just this year but for 30 years. Even with the legacy of London mismanagement, at the point of becoming independent Scotland will go straight into the top ten of world economies based on our wealth production per head of population. We are the European Union's biggest oil producer, and its biggest source of offshore renewable energy.

'So don't let anyone tell you that Scotland isn't a rich country. We are a very rich country, but we are also a country where far too many people live in poverty. We don't lack the wealth or the resources to tackle that poverty – what we lack is any political willpower at Westminster.

'The UK just doesn't regard reducing poverty as a top priority, but an independent Scotland will.

'Why do we have such widespread fuel poverty in energy-rich Scotland? Why should we have twice as much child poverty as countries like Denmark and Norway? Why should we tolerate a five-fold increase in the number of Scots depending on food banks just to keep going?

'These are damning indictments of the UK.

'An independent Scotland will tackle these problems and focus on fairness, so our young folk have decent jobs, working families can prosper, and older people can have guaranteed security in their older years.

'The truth is that Westminster is utterly incapable of delivering social justice. And that leads on to the third

reason why we will win: the fact that more and more people in Scotland are becoming better informed about the independence debate. And as they do so, they are much more likely to move to Yes.

'I know this from every community I visit, from every meeting I attend, and from every conversation I have. I know it from our own research. The only movement is to Yes and your hard work is paying off.'

Mr Jenkins said that since devolution, Scotland had taken a different path. And now people in Scotland wanted a Scottish Parliament with new powers over key economic levers such as welfare and taxation.

He added: 'We've come a long way with devolution, but there is much more work to do. Only a Yes vote will deliver those extra powers, and the prospect of transformational change.'

'And that is where all of us, you and me and the tens of thousands of Yes volunteers from all around the country, have a pivotal role to play. This referendum will be fought on a number of battlefields, but none is more significant and important than the individual conversations we all have. Each of us can help to convince our friends and families and the people we work with and the people we meet.'

'That's why at this conference we are promoting the idea of Yes conversations backed with our new canvassing database-Yesmo – and supported by the real facts and figures about Scottish independence.'

'Our volunteers are the most committed and the best informed campaigning force that this country has ever seen. I know we can deliver Yes votes from a majority of our fellow citizens.'

[The Scotsman](#) carries a report of the Better Together campaign's comments on the currency plan for a post independence Scotland, calling on the SNP to lay out a full range of options in case a currency union with the rest of the UK is not agreed upon.

The Better Together campaign will be at the Haddington Farmers Market this Saturday 26 October 2013.

[@UK_Together](#) Better Together East Lothian Haddington Farmers Market on Saturday 26th October from 10am all welcome
[@EastLothianCLP](#)

– Robert McNeill (@robertmcneill2) [October 21, 2013](#)

And the latest blog on the Better Together website is about defence. They claim that there is little detail behind the words uttered at the SNP conference in Perth about defence, and that it will be a difficult task to set up a defence body in Scotland with just £2.5bn per year.

The Edinburgh Reporter will round up the variety of views we find across all media as often as we can.

This may be a daily article if there is a lot of chat about the independence referendum, or less frequently if we have too much else to do. If you would like to write about your views on independence then please feel free to submit your article using the Submit your Story feature [here](#). The Edinburgh Reporter does not have a stance on the independence question, but hopes to help you make your mind up about the vote on 18 September 2014 by providing as much unbiased coverage as possible.

There are two main websites where you can obtain further information:-

Yes Scotland can be found here <http://www.yesscotland.net>

Better Together has a website here <http://bettertogether.net>

Competition – win Hallowe'en cupcakes from Cuckoo's

✖ Cupcakes are to be given a makeover worthy of Sherlock Holmes this Halloween, as Cuckoo's Bakery unveils a range of cakes, designed to terror and delight its customers.

Inspired by the super sleuth created by Scotland's very own Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, the Dundas Street bakery and tea room has unveiled a range of ghoulish cupcakes, each of which has a secret tale of mystery, deception and murder behind them – helping create a bit of fun for cake lovers this Halloween.

Each cupcake is topped with its own spookily realistic looking crime scene, created by hand by the team of bakers at the award-winning cake emporium.

With six terrifyingly tasty flavours to choose from, the cupcakes will make the perfect addition to any Halloween party and can also be enjoyed as a sweet trick or treat for both adults and children alike.

Graham Savage (good name for Hallowe'en!), owner of Cuckoo's

Bakery, said:- “Halloween is one of our favourite times of the year, as it gives us a chance to have a bit of fun and get as creative as possible with our cake flavours and designs.

“This year we wanted to do something extra special and extra ghoulish, so came up with the idea of a murder mystery, with each of our cakes depicting a gruesome crime scene. Scotland is the home of the murder mystery, so it was only apt that our cupcakes followed this theme.

“We had a lot of fun coming up with the ideas for the cupcakes – although it took us a lot of time and many hours of practice to perfect the ghoulish looking body parts.

“Hopefully they are not too scary for our customers, but I’m sure after a bite or two they will forget how scary looking they are because they taste that good!”

Six ‘to die for’ cupcakes will be available in the Halloween range including; **The Eye Witness**, a strawberry and vanilla cupcake topped with a gruesome edible eyeball – are you brave enough to try this frightening delicacy?

The Butchered Baker – thankfully not one of Cuckoo’s own bakers – is a twist on the classic red velvet cupcake, flavoured with a hint of blood red raspberry and a sugary human digit that’s finger licking good!



For fans of Zombie movies, the **Brain Dead** cupcake, with a guts and gore cherry jam filled sponge as well as a bloody marvellous topping of fresh cherry brains, is the perfect Halloween treat.

Death by cupcake might come after eating this one – **Crushed by Crumbs** is a chocolate sponge with strawberry jam filling and a crumbly chocolate topping made all the more gruesome with the inclusion of a bloody arm appearing to come out from below the crumbs.

Those with a sweet tooth might think again about this Lemon Torte-rous cupcake and its pulled teeth topping that lives up to its **Sweet Tooth Torture** name.

And finally if that wasn't enough gore there's **Murder at the Bakery** – a bloody raspberry and coconut concoction with a shard of edible glass left as the murder weapon and the only clue in this tasty 'who dunnit' crime scene.

Cuckoo's handcrafted Halloween cupcakes are priced at £2.95 each and are available from Friday 25th to Thursday 31st October from 150 Dundas Street. Orders can be placed [online](#) or over the phone on 0131 556 6224. Delivery is available for orders of a minimum of six cupcakes in the Edinburgh area.

But especially for Edinburgh Reporter readers....To recognise the growing visitor numbers to The Edinburgh Reporter we asked some of our contacts to offer our readers a wee freebie as an Edinburgh Reporter Reward.

Our visitor numbers are now three times what they were in January...and growing!

Remember if you have a story for us you can submit it through our feature [Submit your Story](#), or if you are a business you can advertise with us. We also now accept £1 donations to help us retain our position as Edinburgh's hyperlocal news website – just look for the Donate button at the right hand side!

The Edinburgh Reporter Reward we have on offer today is a box of six Hallowe'en cupcakes from Cuckoo's Bakery.

All that you have to do is send us an email to theedinburghreporter@gmail.com answering this question...(which you might find by searching The Edinburgh Reporter website!)

On which romantic day did Cuckoo's Bakery open its doors for the first time?

The winning entry will be selected from all winning entries received by 25 October 2013 at 5:00pm

Largest offshore wind turbine now in Fife



The Samsung Heavy Industries prototype offshore turbine is the world's largest and most powerful offshore wind turbine due to become operational later this year, and it is now standing at

Energy Park Fife..

The structure is situated 50 metres offshore in the Firth of Forth and the tip of its blades stretch 196 metres above the sea. The nacelle, which contains all generating components for the turbine, was installed a couple of weeks ago and that was followed by the attachment of the three massive blades.

SHI is one of the world's growing suppliers of onshore wind farm turbine technology and this is its first European offshore wind project. The Korean company has invested £70million in the Fife wind turbine demonstrator scheme, which has the potential to create up to 500 jobs in Scotland.

The project has the backing of First Minister Alex Salmond, whose Government wants all Scotland's electricity to come from renewables by 2020.

The 7MW Fife turbine will deliver enough electricity to power 4,800 homes.

SHI said that, following a successful testing period, it will work to attract orders for its turbines. This would allow it to build a world-class manufacturing facility at Energy Park Fife. The company which wants to become a leading player in the European offshore wind sector, has been manufacturing 2.5MW wind turbines for four years and already has turbines installed in Korea, the US and Canada.

It chose to base its European operation at Energy Park Fife because of the area's growing energy cluster and the huge opportunities this presents for supply chain companies, particularly those involved in the offshore wind sector.

The structure was installed by GRAHAM Construction, the principal contractor on the project. Leo Martin, executive director, GRAHAM Construction, said:- “This is a very important project for GRAHAM, one which was both interesting and rewarding.

The project was technically challenging and GRAHAM has risen to meet these challenges and has delivered a high quality product on time and within budget. This project cements the relationships we have forged with Samsung Heavy Industries, Fife Council and Scottish Enterprise as well as our supply chain partners and allows GRAHAM to continue to be an active participant and leader in the renewables and marine sector.”

SHI worked very closely with both Fife Council and Scottish Enterprise as it developed the project, which could help put the area firmly on the map as a major European hub for renewable technology.

Councillor Tom Adams, chair of the Levenmouth Area Committee said: “I was delighted to be able to visit the site on Thursday with other members of the Levenmouth Area Committee and was impressed by the excellent progress being made, so it’s fantastic to hear the construction is now complete.

“This is a vitally important project for the local area as this mast is a visual example of the regeneration of the Levenmouth Area.”



Maggie McGinlay director of energy and clean technologies at Scottish Enterprise, said: -“The development of the SHI turbine in Fife is testament to Scotland’s growing reputation as a global centre of expertise for the next generation of offshore wind energy technologies.

“This, along with planned investment from other key players such as Areva and Gamesa, is helping to create a potential manufacturing hub on the east coast, which would lead to

significant opportunities for our supply chain companies.

“We look forward to continuing to work with SHI to support its long-term ambition
ns for Scotland.”

The Crown Estate also worked closely with Scottish Enterprise to ensure Samsung had certainty regarding access to the seabed and to provide specialist advice, support and guidance to help it become established in the UK market.

Ronnie Quinn, The Crown Estate’s Energy and Infrastructure Lead in Scotland, said:- “This marks a big step forward for offshore wind technology development, and we’re pleased to be providing ongoing support to Samsung.

“This long-term investment is a hugely important contribution to building the supply chain in Scotland and in driving growth of a world-class offshore wind industry.”

Dussehra celebrated on Calton Hill



I am from Edinburgh, and this photograph was taken on Sunday 20 October 2013 at Calton Hill as part of Dussehra celebrations happened there.

Dussehra is a Hindu festival to celebrate the victory of Lord Rama over the evil king Ravana. The effigies of Ravana, his brother Kumbhakarna and son Meghanad were burnt on bonfires in the evening, and this picture captures that moment.

Submitted by [Renjith Thomas](#)



Edinburgh wave energy company could create jobs in the Western Isles



Edinburgh wave pioneers Aquamarine Power have permission for a wave farm on the Western Isles, and the company have announced today that this could create hundreds of long-term skilled jobs in one of Britain's most remote communities.

The Edinburgh firm's 40MW Lewis wave farm – which was fully consented by the Scottish Government earlier this year – could generate between 98 and 200 jobs during construction and inject up to £9 million a year into the Western Isles and wider Highland economy.

The project would involve installing up to 50 of Aquamarine Power's Oyster near-shore energy machines along the north-west coast of Lewis. The company is currently testing their second full-scale prototype, the Oyster 800, at the European Marine Energy Centre (EMEC) in Orkney.

The figures come from an in-depth assessment carried out by Aquamarine Power using a methodology developed by consultants

ABP Marine Environmental Research and Risk & Policy Analysts Ltd.

The consultants were commissioned by seabed owner The Crown Estate, using funds from their Pentland Firth and Orkney waters enabling actions programme, to develop an objective technique which project developers could use to identify the economic opportunity presented to the UK by the wave and tidal industry.

Aquamarine Power's study showed that their 40MW wave energy project in the Western Isles could generate:

– 98 to 200 jobs in the Outer Hebrides and wider Highlands and Islands during the construction phase, generating an estimated £4.49 million to £9 million gross value added per year;

– 23 to 37 jobs during the 20 year operations and maintenance phase, generating £1.3 million to £2.1 million per year.

The calculation includes all direct employees and contractors used by Aquamarine Power, indirect jobs such as shops, hotels and local services, and induced jobs created by the increased overall activity in the area.

The first two Oyster devices have been almost entirely British-built, and the study confirms that future machines could be manufactured wholly in the UK, with the potential to source a hundred per cent of the farm's manufacturing supply chain within Britain.



(Photo courtesy of Orkney Media Group)

“The UK is looking for success stories where British businesses can build on British innovation to create economic activity and jobs here in the UK,” said Aquamarine Power Chief Executive Officer Martin McAdam.

“Wave energy has been invented here, is being tested here and has the potential to be a home-grown global economic success. Our study shows there is the potential to secure all of the manufacturing, construction and operations and maintenance supply chain here in Britain.

“The vast majority of the UK’s wave resource lies in remote locations, where economic opportunities are few. Wave energy offers a real opportunity for these communities, even for a relatively small project. With hundreds of megawatts of wave power in Scotland’s islands there is genuine potential for the UK to capture the entire supply chain of this exciting new industrial sector.”

Lindsay Leask, Senior Policy Manager for Offshore Renewables at Scottish Renewables said:- “This study shows yet again that wave and tidal energy has the potential to create thousands of jobs across Scotland. Importantly, many of these new, skilled jobs will be in some of our most remote communities.

“However, we must not forget this is exactly the kind of prize that could be lost unless access to the grid is secured and connection charges for Scotland’s island-based marine energy projects are set at a competitive level.”

Councillor Angus Campbell, Leader of Comhairle nan Eilean Siar, the Local Authority for the Western Isles, said:- “The

Western Isles are home to one of the best wave energy resources in Europe, if not the world, and our community is determined to maximise the benefits from this resource. At a time when the islands are facing serious structural disadvantages on account of peripherality, transport costs, distance to markets and so on, it is important that the opportunity to develop new industries and to create employment is grasped.

“We have worked closely with Aquamarine Power as they have developed their world-leading project off the Atlantic seaboard of the Western Isles and have long recognised the potential for local investment and employment through this project. Up to 200 jobs in construction and up to 37 long term jobs in operation and maintenance will make a huge difference in our fragile economy and we will continue to lobby for equitable transmission charges for the islands so that projects like Aquamarine Power’s can reach commerciality and contribute to UK security of energy supply. We must make sure that the UK retains its competitive advantage in this emerging technology which will have global application as it matures and as more maritime nations seek to address climate change issues.”

Calum Davidson, Director of Energy and Low Carbon with Highlands and Islands Enterprise, said: “We have been committed to the development of the marine energy industry in the Highlands and Islands for well over a decade, and there is no doubt that the region is now widely regarded as the global leader.

“Through the European Marine Energy Centre in Orkney, we have been pleased to enable Aquamarine Power to test and develop its Oyster devices to bring them to the stage when they can be put into commercial use, both in Scotland and around the world. Wave energy is still a relatively young part of the renewables sector, and this assessment underlines its tremendous potential to generate substantial economic benefits

in some of our most fragile areas.”

David Krohn, Wave and Tidal Energy Development Manager, Renewable UK, said:-“This is a great example of a leading wave energy technology, developed and demonstrated in the UK, having a real positive effect on the British economy. This methodology will enable marine energy projects to highlight the capacity for the industry to deliver real socio-economic benefits to the United Kingdom. We recommend the use of this tool to other developers looking to demonstrate the use of local supply chains.”

ABP Marine Environmental Research and Risk and Policy Analysts developed the methodology to look at all of the socio-economic inputs (both positive and negative) of wave and tidal energy developments in Scotland. It enables developers to gather all of the relevant information related to a project – such as materials and services used – based on standard industry data, and then runs this information through an excel-based spreadsheet to deliver a set of objective, standardised outputs.

“The beauty of [this methodology](#),” says Stephen Hull, Technical Director at ABP Marine Environmental Research, “is that it can be picked up and used by other renewable industries such as offshore wind, to demonstrate the positive impact their projects will have on the UK supply chain.

“There is real potential for other businesses in the renewable energy sector to show, in an objective way, the jobs and economic activity their projects will create.”

The Big Draw events in Edinburgh this week

✖ The Big Draw is organised across the UK by the Campaign for Drawing which is a charity set up to raise the profile of drawing. They say that their work will finish when nobody says “I can’t draw!”

During October and November there are events in Edinburgh all part of the Big Draw designed to encourage everyone and anyone to draw, and to highlight the power of drawing as a way of seeing, thinking and inventing.

There are many events in Edinburgh including these listed here:-

The City Art Centre (part of the Family Arts Festival)

The People’s Story Museum on 26 October 2013 when you are invited to draw yourself or your friends

into the story and help build a picture of the city today

Forest Centre Plus

National Museum of Scotland next weekend 26-27 October when there will also be the opportunity of watching a demonstration by the Edinburgh University School of Informatics Department and the possibility of watching 3D printers at work.

The Palace of Holyroodhouse today, 21 October 2013, and Wednesday and Friday when you can dress up like royalty and then draw your experience. Artist [Clare Hume](#) will also bring Leonardo’s world to life on 27 October between 14:00-16:00 and you will be invited to create a giant drawing in the specially created Artists’ Studio.

The Royal Lyceum Theatre on 26 October 2013 when you are

invited to bring your sketch pads for a morning of inspiration

The Scottish National Gallery of Modern Art on 26 October when they are having a Big Hallowe'en Big Draw and you will learn how to use pen and ink techniques in the Witches Gathering.

St Martin's Community Resource Centre on 2 November 2013 for a Family Hallowe'en Ceilidh

More details on all these events on the Campaign for Drawing [website](#) and the Family Arts Festival [website](#).

Police ask missing man to get in contact



A man has been reported missing from his home and police have asked for help in tracing him.

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police to let us know that he is ok. Similarly anyone who has seen or heard from him over the past week should also get in touch.”

Anyone with information should contact Police Scotland on 101.

Five things you need to know today



Missing Man – Granton Library gardening project – Drumbrae Leisure Centre – Colinton Library to unveil sculpture – TED Talk by Richard Weller

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[Granton Library](#) have started a project to beautify their surroundings with the help of Granton Community Gardeners – but they wonder if you might have some plants going spare that they could use? If so then get in touch with the library. Telephone 0131 529 5630

If you use Edinburgh Leisure’s pool at Drumbrae then there are some changes afoot....

“Drumrae Leisure Centre: Important customer reminder – as from 21st October blue overshoes will not be made available at Drumrae Leisure Centre. All swimmers / pool customers will be asked to remove their shoes before entering the pool changing village. We ask for your support in this change of practice to ensure we can improve cleanliness in these areas and more importantly help the environment.

Colinton Library is currently displaying exhibition provided by Colinton Community Conservation Trust detailing development of statue of Robert Louis Stevenson to be unveiled on 26th October. You can see how it was made [here](#).

From the TED stable of talks which have been filmed for you to watch at home, Edinburgh-born Richard Weller delivered this

talk in Glasgow.

“Weller was studying medicine in Australia when something suddenly struck him as odd: Why are the Scots so sick? Australians suffer from heart disease at one-third the rate that Britons do, with lower death rates from heart attacks and heart failure, and fewer strokes overall. When Weller looked into it, this wasn’t unique to Australia and England: In fact, there are wide gaps in mortality even within the UK, a gradient which maps roughly ... geographically? A five-degree change in latitude – between London and Edinburg, for example – shows a nearly 20 percent higher rate of mortality. Weller and his team have been working ever since to crack this mysterious gap, and most recently their research shows it may be related to exposure to sunlight. Nitric oxide (NO), a chemical transmitter produced by the skin and stored in great reserves, is released by exposure to UV rays, and this in turn is very important to cardiovascular health.

Weller is a senior lecturer in Dermatology at the University of Edinburgh. His two areas of study are the role of NO in human skin physiology and the role of skin barrier function deficiencies in atopic disease.”

The Edinburgh Reporter's Weekly Sports Roundup



This week, Neil Lennon slams Hibs’ tactics whilst Hearts poor run of results continues. (Match reports from both games are available on the main site)

Rugby Round-up by John Preece

With Edinburgh Accies away at London Scottish this weekend, it was another abbreviated calendar in the RBS Premiership. Both of the remaining Edinburgh sides were playing at home, and both lost to teams up from the Borders. Heriots were beaten by Hawick 25-18 and Currie suffered yet another morale crushing defeat, going down 30-10 to table-topping Melrose.

And that table has Heriots still in second with 31, Accies drop to 7th, but now have two games in hand and poor old Currie are now, seemingly, cut adrift at the bottom with 6. They are only 7 points behind Stirling, but with them playing in the B+I Cup, they too have two games in hand.

Planned main report match for next weekend is the top of the table clash at Goldenacre between Heriots and Melrose.

In the RBS National League, there was yet another bonus point win for Boroughmuir, who beat GHA 28-15. Stew-Mel and Watsonians played out a tense 14-13 match at Inverleith, with the home side staying home with the points.

'Muir consolidate their position at the top of the table, now 12 points clear of second place Watsonians, with 44 points – including eight, from a possible nine, try bonus point wins! Stew-Mel are still in fourth but are creeping that bit closer to the top three, and are only 2 points shy of Selkirk with 28.

In the B+I Cup match mentioned above Accies suffered another heavy defeat in the competition, this time to London Scottish. Visiting The Athletic Ground for the first time, Accies managed to hold out the 'exiles' for all of three minutes. That was the start of a long day, but the Edinburgh side did manage to cross the whitewash for three tries of their own against vastly superior opposition. The final score was 55-19 to Scottish. Next two rounds are the 7th/14th December and the ER hope to be at the Accies home match against London Welsh on

the 14th to see just how good – or otherwise – these softy Southerners are. Not holding any breath...

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Edinburgh Rugby by Jonny Davis

Edinburgh Rugby were unable to follow their Heineken Cup opening round victory against Munster with a win against French side Perpignan this weekend, as they were defeated 31-14 at the Stade Aime Giral.

The Gunners started brightly, and led 7-3 at the break, thanks to the ever-prolific winger, Tim Visser, finishing off a flowing back move for the only try of the first half, but the lead was short-lived.

Perpignan's attacking threat before the interval had been hampered by a series of handling errors, but the side that came out for the second half were ruthless and clinical.

Full-back, Joffrey Michel crossed for the first of four Perpignan tries in the second half, just minutes after the restart, with replacement winger, Wandile Mjekevu collecting a box kick and bursting through the Edinburgh defence.

The French side then dominated proceedings, and streaked to a 24 point lead, Mjekevu bagging a brace, and back-row forward, Justin Purll crashing over the line.

Alan Solomons' side rallied in the latter stages with recent signing, Cornell Du Preez crossing for his first try for the club, but it wasn't enough to claim a losing bonus point.

In Pool 6's other round 2 fixture, Edinburgh's last week opponents, Munster beat English side Gloucester 26-10 at Thomond Park, which means all sides have recorded one defeat and a victory so far in the competition.

Next up for Edinburgh, attention turns back to the RaboDirect

PR012 competition as they take on Treviso at Murrayfield on Friday night.

SPFL Football

Hibs produced a brave performance to grab a share of the points against champions Celtic at Easter Road. Paul Heffernan opened the scoring with a well taken goal after being sent clear by Kevin Thomson although TV replays shows that he was in an offside position when he received the ball. Celtic equalised late in the game with a superb solo effort from substitute James Forrest when Hibs left back Ryan McGivern was off the field receiving treatment.



There was controversy after the game when Celtic boss Neil Lennon complained about the Hibs' strong arm tactics, but Pat Fenlon was in no mood to apologise.

Lennon said: "It was shocking – absolutely shocking. Reckless. I'm all for competitive football, no one more than myself, but seriously, they were borderline tackles. I didn't really say to Pat but I made my feelings pretty clear to the fourth official. I don't think it was any player target in particular, it was across the board. Without singling players out, the tackle by (Rowan) Vine on (Darnell) Fisher was rugby-esque. We've got a big Champions League game and I'm not asking any favours, I don't mind teams being competitive, and the physicality of the game was good but I felt it was over the top. My opinion may be different from Pat's, he'll say he sent his team out to get in our faces and I don't mind that at all, but the ref should take more of a grip on it sometimes."

Fenlon made no apologies when told of Lennon's criticism. "Good that means the message is getting across to my players that we want to go and compete and get in people's faces. We worked tremendously hard and we made sure Celtic knew they were in a game and that's what it was about today. You've got

to be because if you stand off them and let them play then they will tear you apart and we weren't going to (let them) do that. I think most of the tackles were fair, I think there was one in the first half that they moaned about but it was a good tackle, it was a real good challenge. Everyone has different opinions I suppose."

Meanwhile the Hibs Under 20s progressed to the next round of the Scottish Youth Cup after beating Ross County 5-1 thanks to goals from David Paul (2), Euan Smith and Jason Cummings (2). Loam Hutchison scored for Ross County.

Hearts travelled along the M8 to Motherwell and took the lead in the 62 minute with a fine Ryan Stevenson strike from a Scott Robinson pass, but 'Well equalised seven minutes later when substitute Craig Moore scored with his first touch of the ball on his debut. The goal was even sweeter for the 18 year old as he had been freed by Hearts as a schoolboy.

Shaun Hutchison scored the winner for the Steelmen with eight minutes remaining with a header from a corner.

Hearts are now 13 points behind Kilmarnock whom they visit next weekend. After the game manager Gary Locke said: "From the start of the season, being 15 points adrift was never going to be easy, so it is a disappointing day for us in as much as St Mirren have won, Kilmarnock have won, and we've got beat and lost Calum Paterson through injury. It's been a bad day, but one thing we can't do; we can't feel sorry for ourselves. The boys are disappointed, but we aren't a million miles away. We competed against a really good side who I think will be in the top two or three. Every game is huge, but next week is probably even more important because of the way the results went today.

Off the park, Hearts announced glamour friendly against German side Wolfsburg which will take place at Tynecastle on November 13.

East of Scotland League

Qualifying League Group A

Kelso United 0-2 Civil Service Strollers

Lothian Thistle Hutchison Vale 5-0 Eyemouth United

Qualifying League Group B

Duns 3-4 Ormiston FT

Hawick Royal Albert 1-1 Stirling University FT

Qualifying League Group C

Burntisland Shipyard Amateur 1-3 Heriot-Watt University

Hibernian 3-3 Leith Athletic

Qualifying League Group D

Easthouses Lily MW 3-3 Spartans

Central Taxis Premier Division

Coldstream 1-1 Edinburgh University

Tynecastle 5-0 Craigroyston

Lowland League

Goals by Danny Main and Keith McLeod helped 9 men Spartans to secure a valuable point away to Dalbeattie Star.

Main opened the scoring in the 9th minute with a powerful header from a Grant cross.

Struthers had the ball in the net for Dalbeattie in the 21st minute however the linesman correctly called him offside.

Just before the break, Dalbeattie drew level against the run of play after when Milligan challenged keeper Bennet causing

him to drop the ball which he poked into the net for the equaliser.

Spartans regained their lead in the 62nd minute when Bremner was brought down in the box and McLeod stepped up to send Martin the wrong way.

Star eventually equalised with ten minutes remaining after Jamie Struthers raced on to a long ball to level the score.

With both sides pressing for a winner Spartans substitute Robbie Ross was sent off after receiving two yellow cards then team-mate John Grant followed him after complaining to the referee.

The Ainslie Park outfit held on to secure the point.

Malt and Hops Man of the Match: Danny Main

Teams: Bennett, Grant, Cennerazzo, Sivewright, Main, Blaikie, Bremner, Whatley, Henretty, McLeod, Beelsey. Subs: Ross, Beacher, Brown, Motion, Gilpin

Elsewhere Edinburgh City lost 2-0 at home to Threave Rovers.

Spartans remain top with 19 points from 9 games whilst Edinburgh City sit ninth with ten points from eight games.

Women's Football

Congratulations to Glasgow City who marched into the last 16 of the Champions League after producing a superb performance in the Maritime Craft Services sponsored match to defeat Belgian opponents, Standard Liege, 3-1 (5-3 aggregate) on a rain-sodden Petershill Park. The Glasgow side will face Arsenal in the quarter final.

Hibs Ladies lost 2-1 to Celtic at Ravenscraig whilst Spartans Women lost 9-0 to Glasgow City at Ainslie Park.

Speedway

The Scotwaste Monarchs will host the first leg of the Premier Championship Final at Armadale next Friday night, 25th October against Somerset Rebels. The deciding leg will take place at Somerset on Monday 28th October. Both meetings will begin at 7.30pm.

Chairman, Alex Harkess told the official website "It's disappointing that, again, we will not have the chance of winning the Championship at home, although that was out of our hands this time, but I've always felt that it is easier to defend a lead rather than overcome one. I feel that our boys have all come back to form after a little dip about a month ago and we're all eager to repel the Rebel challenge. I can't wait for next Friday.

The Scotwaste Monarchs are keen to make next Friday's affair a gala occasion and will be announcing more details in due course.

Elsewhere Craig Cook gave a great account of himself at Swindon on Saturday night by taking third place in the Elite League Riders Championship, which was won for the second time by former Monarch Rory Schlein.

Ice Hockey

On Saturday night Edinburgh Capitals travelled along the M8 in confident mood, but lost 3- 2 to Braehead Clan (After Penalty Shots)

Curtis Leinweber opened the scoring for the Caps at 1.18, then Braehead had to wait until 14.21 to draw level when Shane Lust netted on the powerplay.

The Capitals regained the lead as Tomas Horna scored with a shorthanded goal at 32.28 before at 52.04 debutant Neil Trimm tied the game up with a powerplay goal. No further scoring saw

the game go into overtime were neither team could find a game winner.

Penalty shots were required to decide who was getting the extra point and after four shots apiece neither team had scored. The Capitals then scored through Les Reaney as did the Clan's Neil Trimm, Capitals Tomas Horna then missed and then Joel Champagne netted with his to give the Clan the win.

On Sunday night, the Capitals lost 3-4 to Fife Flyers at Murrayfield; their ninth straight loss

The Caps opened the scoring with a powerplay strike from Martin Cingel at 6.21 but Stephen Gunn equalised at 13.08.

Jordan Fulton at 27.06 and then Derek Roehl at 28.22 gave the Flyers a two goal advantage before Capitals Captain Cingel pulled one back at 29.50.

Jamie Wilson scored at 42.27 to make the score 2-4 but 12 seconds later the Capitals' Michal Dobron netted reduced the advantage to one goal, but the Fife side held on for the victory.

Basketball

In the Senior Men's League Boroughmuir Blaze beat Troon Tornadoes 80-68 whilst City of Edinburgh Kings beat Glasgow Storm 67-50 in Glasgow.

Boxing

Lochend boxer Josh Taylor lost narrowly to the No.5 seed and home favourite, Kazakhstan's Meray Akshalov at the World Boxing Championships in Almaty. Akshalov has boxed at the highest level in the 2008 Olympic Games and World Series Boxing championships.

Afterwards Josh tweeted: "Lost my fight today in a very close contest. Really gutted. Lost to a Beijing Olympian and former

WSB champ. Top fighter.”

Government announce improved support package for students

College bursaries and undergraduate student loans will increase and support for postgraduate students on eligible courses will be made available as part of the Scottish Government's commitment to put more money in students' pockets.

Investment of well over £100 million in college bursaries will deliver an increase in line with inflation. Undergraduate student loans will increase by £250 a year, bringing the minimum income for those from the lowest income households to £7,500.

Scottish domiciled postgraduate students undertaking eligible supported courses, a majority of which cover STEM subjects which are in demand from employers, will be able to apply for a loan of up to £4,500 a year to help with living costs from 2015-16. This is in addition to the current loan available as a contribution towards the cost of tuition.

Cabinet Secretary for Education and Lifelong Learning Michael Russell said:-“Providing protection from inflation for further education student support in the next academic year was a key priority for students. Our response will see the value of the total college bursaries package rise to around £105 million.

“For higher education students, we scrapped tuition fees, introduced a minimum income of £7,250 – which will now rise to £7,500 – for students from the lowest-income households and

have provided what NUS describe as 'the best package of student support in the UK'.

"Today's announcement to increase bursaries and loans builds on these commitments.

College students will be better off while undergraduate students at university will have access to an extra £250 per year. Scottish domiciled postgraduate students on eligible courses will now be able to apply for a loan of up to £4,500 to help meet the cost of their living expenses.

"We want students in Scotland to be able to study for the qualification that suits their ability and ambition. These changes will help make that a reality and improve the life chances and employability of young Scots delivering real benefits to the Scottish economy in future."

Gordon Maloney, President of NUS Scotland, said:-"The announcements today are very good news for students in Scotland. We have asked for increased support for college, university and postgraduate students and this announcement is a big step forward.

"Students need enough money to get by to be able to concentrate on their studies. Too often, students in colleges and universities have to take on multiple part-time jobs, or go deep into commercial debt, to avoid dropping out. While, of course, grants and bursaries would be better than loans, worst of all would be no increases in support at all.

"The increase in postgraduate support is particularly welcome news, given that at the moment postgraduate students have to self-fund their way through their studies, or borrow commercial bank loans. Hopefully opening up access to living cost loans will open up new opportunities to people from poorer backgrounds towards gaining postgraduate qualifications that employers increasingly demand.

“These announcements are a great step forward but there is still more work to do to get student support up to where it needs to be. We will continue to press the Scottish Government to increase student support even further, including through grants and bursaries, between now and the budget being finalised early next year. This announcement will see more money in students’ pockets, and will help students from all backgrounds focus on their future rather than their finances.”

Souter Investments report 84% increase in portfolio



The family investment office of transport entrepreneur Sir Brian Souter, Souter Investments’ results and investment strategy are laid out in its 2013 Investment Review, published today, and Souter reports that they are ready to invest in new opportunities with sums available from £2m to £30m.

Souter Investments today reported that it continues to produce exceptional returns, generating a net return of 21% per annum over the three years to 31 March 2013.

Souter Investments’ strategy has been to:

- *Retain a core holding in Stagecoach Group plc where Sir Brian is co-founder and chairman. Returns from Stagecoach have been very strong at 11% per annum over six years.*
- *Build a diversified portfolio, targeting private equity*

opportunities in both the transport sector, via sister company Highland Global Transport, and non- transport sectors.

- *Invest through the cycle and maintain an opportunistic approach to investment opportunities.*

Sir Brian Souter said: “We held our nerve throughout the recession, took some brave decisions, invested through the cycle and benefitted from having access to capital when many investors were avoiding risk.

“As the financial situation improves it will be more difficult for us to find deals priced at the low multiples we paid during the depths of the recession.

“To counter this, we are now seeking and finding a substantial increase in deal flow and we have a sizable war chest to invest in the right opportunities. Looking forward we are confident that Souter Investments will continue to invest in successful companies, however replicating the returns achieved in the last three and six years will be a significant challenge”

Andy Macfie, Managing Director of Souter Investments, said: “Over the last six years we have generated an exceptional performance, outperforming both UK and US stock markets, and most private equity funds.

“We have acquired some attractive assets which are well placed to continue to grow strongly in the years to come.”

Over the period, Souter Investments made eight substantial private equity investments in the transport sector and nine major investments in other sectors including financial services, telecommunications and recycling.

Its unquoted companies, based in the UK, Poland, Australia, Turkey, New Zealand and Latin America, have a combined turnover of £1.8bn and employ around 10,000 people worldwide.

In the last year Souter Investments has successfully exited from esure Group, Sunseeker, Argent Energy and Wireless Infrastructure Group.

Recent investments include Irish book publisher CJ Fallon, road traffic accident claims management company [Winn Solicitors](#) and fund administration platform Investment Solutions (subject to regulatory approval).

Souter Investments has also supported the acquisition led and organic growth of portfolio companies Alexander Dennis, Virgin Mobile Latin America and PolskiBus.com.

The Souter Charitable Trust has been a major beneficiary of Souter Investments' exceptional performance. During the six year period reported, the Souter Charitable Trust, which is funded solely by Sir Brian and Lady Souter, has donated more than £45m to good causes.

Over the three years to 31 March 2013, the Souter Charitable

Trust has awarded more than 3,000 grants with a value of £24m to projects aimed at relieving human suffering both in the UK and overseas.

F1 – Di Resta Future Still Uncertain



A guaranteed seat for the 2014 Formula 1 season is still to be guaranteed for Scottish driver Paul di Resta. The Force India driver made an excellent start to the season, scoring points in seven of the opening eight races and equalling his career-best finish with a fourth place in Bahrain. However since Pirelli made a change to the construction of the tyres, di Resta has failed to score a single point. His team mate, Adrian Sutil, has only managed to score three points in the same period, highlighting the adverse effect the tyre changes have had upon Force India. Di Resta is currently in eleventh place in the World Drivers' Championship on thirty-six points, ten ahead of his team mate, but a failure to score in the second half of the season has left question marks over the twenty-seven-year-old's future in the sport.

Despite Force India having an option to take up di Resta for 2014, they have yet to confirm any intention to do so, and on Thursday, di Resta's manager Richard Goddard voiced his concerns over the driver's future: "It is a tricky situation. We're still under option – we haven't been told we're not going to be signed. But if the option lapses and doesn't get taken up, then it is a case of waiting to see if Force India come back to us."

Di Resta is also at a disadvantage in that he does not have the major financial backing from sponsors that would almost guarantee a place for next season. Many teams are swayed by the amount of sponsorship a driver can bring, and while drivers such as Pastor Maldonado (PDVSA) and Sergio Perez (Telmex) bring considerable financial backing with them, di Resta does not. Goddard admits that money issues make it tricky to predict the availability of a seat: "It's difficult to know what will happen. There are a lot of drivers in the sport with money and a lot of teams that need money. That is probably the biggest issue, that it is not just outright talent that gets you a seat in the car any more."

Nevertheless, BBC analyst Eddie Jordan believes that di Resta has done enough to secure a seat for 2014 and beyond. The former F1 driver told BBC Radio Scotland that the Scot's earlier season form has proven that he is worthy of a place in F1, whether at Force India or elsewhere: "What he has in abundance is speed – he then has talent. He's having a particularly torrid time at the moment but that doesn't mean he's lost his talent or his speed. There are other teams. We must not forget about the opportunity that Paul has."

Jordan also pointed out that di Resta's talent has not gone unnoticed, even by the bigger teams such as Ferrari: "He's on the minds and lips of lots of the team bosses, right up to the highest level. I remember interviewing Ferrari chairman Luca Di Montezemolo and of the three or four drivers that he mentioned, Paul was one of them."

While the top seats at Red Bull, Ferrari and Mercedes are all confirmed, there is still the possibility of vacancies at Lotus, who have yet to announce Kimi Raikkonen's replacement, and McLaren, who have not confirmed whether or not Perez will remain with them. Force India are also still an option for di Resta, as they traditionally leave their driver announcements until after the season's end. Where the Scot will end up is still uncertain at the moment, but there many options still

open to him to secure his future in Formula One.


Rugby – Stewarts-Melville v Watsonians

Stew-Mel hang on for a narrow win at Inverleith.



What had been a miserable start to the day, brightened up a bit for Watsonians' visit to Inverleith to play Stewarts-Melville in the latest round of the RBS National league. With the hosts looking for their fourth win in a row and second in the table Watsonians fielding a much changed team from the programme listing, it looked like being a close encounter.

However, for the first half of the match it looked anything but. Following a clearing kick from a ruck, Stew-Mel quickly passed the ball out right to winger Matt Morrell – who was to prove a thorn in 'Sonian's side all day – who took off down the wing. Opposing wing, Jack Ferguson, performed what looked like a try-saving tap-tackle just inside the 22, but Morrell managed to pick himself up and dive over in the corner for the opener (top). Nick McCashin failed with the attempt at goal, so the hosts were only 5-0 ahead – after three minutes. A couple of minutes later, they were at it again. A brief period of Watsonians possession in their own half was kicked away, and a repeat of 'Try 1' looked on the cards. This time Morrell was stopped, but a penalty for offside had been awarded and, this time, McCashin put the ball between the sticks to take the score up to 8-0. Another three minutes, another repeat play. This time the penalty was against Morrell out wide, but McCashin's boot was accurate and again the kick went over.

11-0 to the home side. Watsonians then managed to get a score on the board with penalty from Ben Di Rollo, before Stew-Mel were back on programme and away up the field again. Another  penalty award was missed by McCashin, so the score remained at 11-3. Although Watsonians had evened out the possession a touch, they were unable to break through the Stew-Mel defence with any great conviction and had to rely on the boot of Di Rollo with two minutes left in the half to get them back on the scoreboard. The half finished soon after, very much in the same vein as it had started, with Stew-Mel on the attack and Watsonians defending desperately.

On resumption of hostilities, the match carried on where it had left off, but four minutes in, Stew-Mel's No. 4, Jonathan Hamblin saw yellow for some foul play at a set piece, but this didn't phase the Inverleith men and they managed to advance their score by three with another penalty from McCashin. The next period of play was a bit more evenly matched with Watsonians managing to see a bit more of the ball and with 15 minutes on the clock, their pack got the ball over the line. However, the referee ruled the ball held up and they were awarded a 5-metre scrum. They weren't going to be held out twice in a row though, and the pack forced Matt Brierley over the line next to the posts for a try. Di Rollo scored the conversion and the score was now 14-13 to the home side.

The rest of the match was fairly evenly balanced, although McCashin missed two further penalty attempts, and both sides came within inches of scoring but strong defending on the part of both teams kept the score finely balanced. With just the dying seconds of the match remaining, Watsonians were turned over from a ruck deep in Stew-Mel's 22 and all the home side had to do was run about for a short time to run the clock down. However, two of them managed to run into each other and the visitors were awarded a scrum for accidental blocking a few yards out. As the crowd held it's collective breath, Stew-Mel came up with the ball and 'Sonians were pinged by the ref

for offside. Substitute scrum-half, Mike Kerr, unfortunately, made the referee aware of his disappointment at the decision, which earned him a yellow card. On his way off the pitch, he reiterated his feelings on the matter, which, consequently, earned him a red. All Stew-Mel then had to do was boot the ball into the stands and the match was over, to the great relief of anyone and everyone in the red/black/yellow colours of the hosts.

A very close match – eventually – but Watsonians, for the first half, looked nowhere near to being title contenders, which , given how they have been playing this season, must have come as a bit of a shock to the faithful.

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AUDIO – The Morning After... Cameo All Night Horror Madness 7 Review

✖ 5 horror films. Back-to-back. 11pm to 8am. Vintage trailers. Free raffle.

It can only be the All Night Horror Madness 7 at the Cameo cinema, which was another sell-out event last night.

Scores of brave cinema-goers sank their teeth into 'Hardware', 'Carrie', 'Stage Fright', 'Frankenhooker' and the original 'The Texas Chainsaw Massacre'. We were there too to document the proceedings, this time in an audio format.

It was another successful occasion, with the eighth event

planned for March 2014; there evidently is demand for events of this calibre in the capital.

You can read our other 'morning after' reviews of [ANHM 3](#) and [ANHM 4](#) and find news about future All Night Horror Madness events on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

Football – Motherwell 2 Heart of Midlothian 1

SPFL, Saturday 19 October 2013 – Fir Park

Hearts miserable run in the SPFL continued in deepest Lanarkshire on Saturday when Gary Locke's side slipped to their fifth defeat in their last six league games. Despite being under the cosh for much of the game, hopes were high the Jambos would record their first victory in the league away from Tynecastle this season when Ryan Stevenson gave the visitors the lead against the run of play on the hour mark. However, the Steelmen roared back with two goals to snatch victory and leave the out of luck Maroons marooned at the bottom of the SPFL.

The injured Kevin McHattie – so impressive in recent weeks – succumbed to injury and was replaced by Brad McKay who took a central defensive role with Jordan McGhee going to full back. Locke also brought in Callum Tapping for Scott Robinson and David Smith for Jason Holt.

Motherwell had former Hearts striker John Sutton in their starting line-up and it was he who almost opened the scoring after just three minutes but he couldn't direct his header on target.

Although the home side had most of the possession, there were few clear cut chances in a scrappy first half. Ten minutes before half time Motherwell's Hammell delivered a dangerous cross which seemed to clip Danny Wilson's hand in the penalty box. Amidst loud claims from the home support for a penalty, Vigurs fired in an effort which was too high to trouble Hearts keeper Jamie MacDonald.

It was Vigurs who threatened again with a couple of shots just before the interval but Jamie Mac was equal to his efforts – although the Hearts goalie wasn't impressed by young Jordan McGhee giving away possession for the latter attempt. That said, it was Hearts who really should have gone in a goal ahead at half-time. Jamie Walker found space in the Motherwell penalty box and saw his effort saved by Well keeper Nielsen while David Smith's follow-up took a deflection before spinning over the bar. The first half, therefore, ended goalless.

The home team began the second half camped in the Hearts half. Sutton had a header superbly saved by MacDonald before Callum Tapping prevented another header by Hutchinson flying into the net. Soon after, MacDonald was again the Hearts hero when he saved well from Lasley as the home side began to turn the screw. The Jambos weren't helped by Callum Paterson's forced withdrawal due to injury and he was replaced by Scott Robinson after 54 minutes – the midfielder having been quite vocal two weeks ago about his disappointment on being taken off in the defeat by St. Mirren. However, Hearts then displayed some of the fight which has been characteristic of this young team. Skipper Danny Wilson dispossessed Hutchinson and passed to Ryan Stevenson. The former Ayr United and Ipswich player forced his way into the penalty box but his shot at goal was saved well by Nielsen.

Moments later, Hearts somewhat unexpectedly took the lead. The hard-working Stevenson drove into the Motherwell penalty box before hitting a low shot past Nielsen and into the net, much

to the delight of yet another sizeable travelling support. Their joy, however, was short-lived. Motherwell substitute Moore, who had been on the field for barely a minute, fired in a superb volley from 20 yards to draw parity.

It was all Motherwell now and, sensing blood, they somewhat inevitably scored the winner with less than eight minutes to go. Hutchinson was the first to react to a Motherwell corner and his header was beyond the reach of Jamie MacDonald – and Hearts were sunk.

So another fruitless afternoon for Hearts and the frustration for the Maroons was compounded by the news that both Kilmarnock and St. Mirren won leaving Gary Locke's side somewhat cut adrift at the bottom of the league. Hearts bright start to the season, when they had clawed back half the 15 point deficit imposed on them following administration suffered by the club in the summer is now fast becoming a fading memory. The Gorgie Boys have not won a league game since defeating Aberdeen at Tynecastle in August and after coming within nine points of 11th placed St. Mirren in recent weeks, the gap at the bottom of the SPFL is now 13 points – just two better off than Hearts were at the start of the season.

There is, of course, still a long way to go. Back in August I felt that if Hearts were nine points behind the 11th placed team at New Year they would still have a fighting chance of avoiding relegation. Nothing has changed my view but the longer this winless run continues the more unlikely this scenario appears.

Hearts badly need a win soon and to eradicate the minus points total – before it becomes too late.

Motherwell: Nielsen, Hammell, Ramsden, Hutchinson, McManus, Sutton, Vigurs, Lasley, Francis-Angol, Carswell, Anier

Hearts: MacDonald; McGowan, McKay, Wilson, McGhee, Paterson,

Tapping, Hamill, Smith, Stevenson, Walker.

Referee: Brian Colvin

Att: 5,350

Top man: Keeper Jamie MacDonald was back to top form and he will surely prove to be a crucial factor in Hearts fight to avoid relegation.

Film Review – ‘Rush’ is More Than Just Racing



It was never going to be an easy film for director Ron Howard to make, although if this film was going to be made, he certainly had the experience to do it. With films such as Apollo 13 and Frost/Nixon under his belt, Howard would have been well-aware of the fine balance that a film based on true events requires. Too faithful, and the effort can seem unwieldy and documentary-like. Too loose, and it runs the risk of alienating those who remember how the events really unfolded. Fortunately, Howard seems to have struck the balance perfectly with Rush, and the result is a film which serves to capture the spirit of an incredible season in Formula 1 while being exciting, compelling and visually exhilarating at the same time.

For those unfamiliar with Formula 1, Rush centres around the dramatic events of the 1976 season, where World Champion Ferrari driver Niki Lauda battled with McLaren driver and British hero James Hunt for the championship. Lauda stretched

out a significant lead in the beginning of the season, but a terrible crash during the German Grand Prix at the Nürburgring saw the Austrian sustain life-threatening injuries and severe burns, leading many to believe that he would not survive the disaster. But – in a twist that seems made for Hollywood – Lauda pulled through and rejoined the championship battle with Hunt just six weeks after his crash. What followed was an end to the season which nobody could have predicted, and a story which seemed destined to make it onto the big screen one day.

At the heart of *Rush* is not the racing, but the racers. Both Lauda and Hunt were compelling in their own ways, and it is through the portrayal of these characters, as well as their intense rivalry, that *Rush* is able to engage with the audience and pull them into the world of Formula 1. Lauda is played by German actor Daniel Brühl (*Goodbye Lenin*, *Inglorious Basterds*) in a performance which is as uncanny as it is nuanced. Brühl spent time with Lauda during filming, and as a result manages to wear the mannerisms and accent of the Austrian with striking similarity. Chris Hemsworth (*Thor*, *The Avengers*) takes on the formidable task of playing James Hunt, the charismatic driver who took a laissez-faire approach to the sport in contrast to Lauda's single-minded determination. Hunt died from a heart-attack at the age of forty-five, and while Hemsworth does an admirable job with what he has been given, he perhaps suffers from not having the advantage as Brühl did to be able to meet his character. Hemsworth's Hunt is charming, but at times seems to lack the depth and complexity which Brühl's performance exuded. Nevertheless, this is not a film where there is a hero and villain – both Lauda and Hunt are given scenes which highlight their strengths and their flaws. As a result, the tension and drama between the two characters is intensified throughout the film, culminating in a climactic finale and a touching monologue at the end from Lauda's character, accompanied by footage of the real-life drivers.

Although the characters may be the heart of the story, racing is still very much the soul and Howard pays tribute to the sport with some incredible visuals which are set alongside a fantastic soundtrack and the backdrop of screaming engines. While some of the racing is choppy and aided by the use of CGI, the aesthetics of the cars and the detail put into them perfectly evokes the era in which the film is set, from the mechanics right to the tobacco sponsorship which was plastered everywhere. Particularly impressive are the visuals of the Japanese Grand Prix at the end of the film, where the rain came down and soaked the track, and the terrible Nürburgring crash, which replicated the original footage almost identically. The crash, and Lauda's subsequent struggle for his life, are a sombre reminder of the dangers of motorsport and were rendered even more poignant this week with the deaths of F1 test driver Maria de Villota, who died as a result of injuries sustained from a crash in 2012, and WEC driver Sean Edwards, who made an appearance in Rush as his father Guy, one of the drivers who pulled Lauda from the burning crash at the Nürburgring.

In the end, Rush manages to be more than just a film about racing. Formula 1 enthusiasts should enjoy the visuals and sounds, as well as the nostalgic evocation of the incredible 1976 season, if they can look past minor inaccuracies and changes. But even for those who know nothing about motorsports, this film is worth a watch. It manages to be both humorous and moving, detailed and thrilling, and at the very centre are two characters, two rivals, who battle over the course of the season to best the other. It is through their lives, their stories, that the spirit of the 1976 season truly comes alive.

The truth about carbs!

✖ Article contributed by Edinburgh Community Food

Carbohydrates are in the news. We hear an awful lot about them these days. There are low carb diets – some championed by celebrities – and high carb diets. We see people eating burgers without the bun and Olympic athletes consuming huge amounts of pasta. There are complex carbs, simple carbs, digestible carbs, non-digestible carbs, white carbs and brown carbs. But what is a carb, why do we hear about them so much and do we need to worry about them?

What is a carb?

Simple (white) Carbs Complex (brown) Carbs

Sugar Brown flour

Glucose Brown bread + rolls

White flour Brown pasta

White bread + rolls Brown rice

White pasta Oats

White rice Fruit and vegetables

Cakes Whole grains (e.g. buckwheat, couscous, millet)

*Biscuits Beans and pulses (e.g. lentils)**

*Pastries Seeds**

Pizza bases Potatoes (with skins!)

Soft drinks

*Honey + jams *Although 'protein' foods, they contain large amounts of good carbs*

Simply put a carbohydrate is a molecule made out of carbon and hydrogen. Whether it's brown rice, pasta or sugar, our bodies convert carbs into glucose and it is glucose that we use for energy. Carbs are what give us 'get up and go', what power us through our day. So far, so good. But when it comes to the

human body and what we put into it nothing is ever easy! There is a bewildering array of carbs which do all sorts of different things. And not all of them are good for us, either.

There are two basic types of carbs: simple and complex. You can also think of them as 'white' or 'brown'. If you have a wee look at the table you'll see what I mean. 'White' carbs are things like white bread, white pasta and table sugar. 'Brown' ones include brown bread, brown flour and oats. When you hear about 'bad' carbs people are talking about the simple 'white' ones. Good carbs are brown!

The 'good' carbs

What's so good about these brown carbohydrates? Brown carbohydrates contain far more vitamins and minerals than white ones. They also contain lots of fibre. When we make white flour (a fairly modern invention) we remove nearly all of the goodness from the plant, all the stuff that we've evolved over millions of years to eat and to need. What's left in the white stuff is only refined carbohydrate.

Besides missing out on all the great nutrition, white carbohydrates are also digested very quickly, so we get a sudden peak in energy (a kind of 'high'). But it's quickly followed by a slump and by tiredness. And these 'highs' and 'lows' have quite a serious effect on our overall mood, too. Brown carbs, on the other hand, give us a slow and gentle release of energy and keep us full for longer. Additionally, they are meant to help keep our mood stable. So, complex brown carbs at breakfast (porridge or brown toast, for example) mean that we are less likely to go for that mid-morning energy drink and chocolate bar!

Good 'brown' carbs have two main parts: digestible fibre and non-digestible fibre. Hang on, not digestible? Do we really need to be eating something which we can't even digest? Yes we do! Let me explain. The non-digestible fibre provides 'bulk'

for the food as it passes all the way through our system, meaning that – not to put too fine a point on it – our toilet habits are regular and our bowels remain healthy. Fruit and veg contain quite a lot of this non-digestible fibre. It is often found in the skins, which is why it is recommended that we don't peel them. The digestible part also has functions in the body: it helps to lower our cholesterol and 'ferments' in our bowels, producing vitamin K (to make our blood clot) and some B vitamins. Both types of fibre help us to process sugars in a healthy and natural way and may help reduce the risk of type 2 diabetes and bowel cancer.

But there's more: a lot of evidence suggests that fibre has a really good effect on blood pressure. By eating 2 or 3 portions of complex carbohydrates each day we can significantly lower high blood pressure! A diet high in these carbs can also help to lower artery-clogging cholesterol. High cholesterol, along with high blood pressure, is what increases the risk of heart attacks and strokes. So you can see that a diet high in brown carbs is a good thing!

How much should we eat?

But just how much carbohydrate should we be eating? Have a look at the eatwell plate. The large yellow section of the plate represents carbs and, as you can see, it's huge! It is recommended that roughly one third of our diet is carbohydrate – and remember, they should be brown – so, when planning your meals, base them around carbs!

Hidden carbs?

OK, so now we know that brown carbs are good and white ones are bad. But trying to lower our intake of white carbs isn't that easy. Yes, making the switch from white to brown will have a significant effect on our health. However, there is a lot of sugar hidden in really common foods we buy. Labels on food packets can be difficult to make sense of. While some

manufacturers tell you simply that e.g. this tomato ketchup has 22 grams of sugar per 100 grams you eat, other manufacturers are a bit sneakier. There is a daunting list of alternative names for 'sugar', 257 of them in fact!

Here are some common ones:

Different names for sugar

High fructose corn syrup

Dextrose

Fructose

Glucose

Fruit juice concentrates

Honey

Invert sugar

Maltose

Malt syrup

Molasses

Barley malt

Maltitol

Treacle

✖ So, what can we do? When looking at food packets use the 'traffic lights' on the front. Aim for foods that are 'green' for sugars (and beware of low fat or zero fat products – they are often laden with sugar to make them taste nice!). And – if there is one thing you take away from this article – make the switch from white to brown. You won't regret it!

If you have any carbohydrate-related queries feel free to contact Chris at cmantle@edinburghcommunityfood.org.uk

With lentils, nuts, veg and wholemeal flour, this delicious recipe is chock full of great complex carbohydrates!

Lentil and Cashew Nut Roast

Ingredients:

- 200g red split lentils, rinsed
- 450ml vegetable stock
- 1 bay leaf
- 100g unsalted cashew nuts
- $\frac{1}{2}$ tbsp oil
- 1 large onion, finely chopped
- 1 large or 2 small leeks, trimmed and finely chopped
- 1 red pepper, deseeded and chopped
- 100g mushrooms, finely chopped
- 1 garlic clove, crushed
- 1 tbsp lemon juice • 75g mature Cheddar cheese, grated
- 100g wholemeal breadcrumbs
- 3 tbsp chopped fresh parsley
- 1 egg, lightly beaten

TOMATO SAUCE:

- 1 tbsp tomato purée
- $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp paprika
- 400g can chopped tomatoes
- 150ml vegetable stock
- $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp dried mixed herbs

Method:

1. Add lentils to a saucepan. Add the stock and bay leaf and bring to the boil. Reduce the heat to a gentle simmer, then cover and cook for 15 minutes until the lentils are soft and pulpy and the stock has been absorbed. Stir once or twice towards the end of to prevent the lentils sticking. Discard the bay leaf

2. Meanwhile, put the cashew nuts in a non-stick frying pan and toast over a moderate heat until lightly browned, stirring frequently. Set aside to cool, then roughly chop. Preheat the oven to 190°C/gas 5. Line the bottom of a 1.4 litre loaf tin with a piece of greaseproof paper

3. Add the oil to the frying pan and cook the onion over a moderate heat for 5 minutes. Remove half the onion and set

aside for the sauce. Add the leeks, red pepper, mushrooms and garlic to the pan and cook for a further 5 minutes, stirring occasionally, until tender. Stir in the lemon juice

4. Tip the lentils and veg into a mixing bowl. Stir in the breadcrumbs, cashew nuts and 2 tbsp of the parsley, followed by the grated cheese and beaten egg. Spoon into the loaf tin. Level the top and cover with a piece of lightly oiled foil


5. Bake the loaf for 30 minutes, then remove the foil and bake for a further 30 minutes or until a skewer (or knife) inserted into the centre comes out clean. Remove from the oven and leave to cool for 10 minutes before turning out and cutting into thick slices

6. While the loaf is baking and resting, make the tomato sauce. Put the reserved onion and remaining sauce ingredients in a small pan. Bring to the boil, then reduce the heat, and simmer for 20 minutes, until slightly reduced. Stir in the remaining chopped parsley before serving with the loaf

Submitted by [Christopher Mantle](#)



Time for West Lothian locals to enter Eco-Contest

 Individuals, community groups, primary schools and nurseries in West Lothian are being urged to submit their entries to Central Scotland Forest Trust's (CSFT) eco-contest

as the deadline of 15 November is fast approaching.

The Greatest Greenspace contest aims to raise awareness of important issues in today's society, and encourages people to pick up their rakes and spades and better their local surroundings for the chance to win £100 gardening vouchers.

The competition's Educational Environment category provides the perfect opportunity for schools and nurseries to enhance their green credentials and engage pupils in learning about the environment. Participating establishments should send photography of a green project within their grounds and explain how it helps to increase the biodiversity of the local area and promote positive environmental messages to pupils.

The Green Garden category urges aspiring horticulturists to plant wild flowers in their gardens or allotments, and cultivate their own fruit and vegetables, to encourage biodiversity and boost the economy and ecology of the local environment. Entrants should send photography of their plot along with a description of the wildflowers, plants and vegetables grown, as well as information on the wildlife it attracts.

Simon Rennie, Chief Executive of CSFT said: "We have received a fantastic response to the competition so far which was launched to give individuals and groups the opportunity to boost their green credentials and portray their creativity. There is still time for primary schools and nurseries in West Lothian to enter for the chance to win."

The competition is easy to enter. Participants simply have to send their creative photography relevant to their chosen category to CSFT. The winner of each category will be awarded with £100 gardening vouchers.

Competition entries should be submitted by email to csftcompetition@bigpartnership.co.uk or by post to CSFT Competition, The BIG Partnership, 3rd Floor, Fountain House,

1-3 Woodside Crescent, Glasgow, G3 7UL by Friday 15th November 2013.

For further information about Central Scotland Forest Trust please visit the [website](#). You can also follow CSFT on Twitter and become a fan on Facebook.

Submitted by [Central Scotland Forest Trust](#)



Five things you need to know today



Flooding in Craiglockhart – Gas leak on Easter Road – Edinburgh's Christmas – Stockbridge Library – Rat Race today

Scottish Water put out this update yesterday evening:-

“Engineers are continuing to carry out the repair of a 16 inch water main at the city's Colinton Road. Customers may experience low water pressure during the tea time draw but this will return to normal. Flood water at the site of this mornings' burst has been removed and all earlier road closures lifted. We would like to take this opportunity to apologise to customers for any inconvenience caused.”

This followed considerable flooding from the early hours of Saturday morning after a water main burst on Colinton Road.

Burst water located at EH14 Colinton Road, Edinburgh, Road Closed Scottish Water and other emergency services on site

<http://t.co/Qz0gneRqv1>

– Scottish Water (@scottish_water) [October 19, 2013](#)

Area Commander of Scottish Fire and Rescue, John Dickie, had the best photos of the floodwater:-

Extent of flood water. This is water being channeled to pooled area so FRS can pump away. Good inter agency work
pic.twitter.com/yGJ4yjQTh0

– John Dickie (@LS0JohnDickie) [October 19, 2013](#)

Flooding at craiglockhart still on going. Looking down craiglockhart from colinton road. pic.twitter.com/wlRLPVct7E

– John Dickie (@LS0JohnDickie) [October 19, 2013](#)

Local resident Noel Chidwick made this video when his electricity and internet came back on....

Easter Road was closed yesterday evening due to a gas leak. Again Twitter came up trumps with some live photos. John Brownlie told us about the few that he had taken which are shown below.

[#easterroad](#) people getting back into their houses now
pic.twitter.com/B0KWAjMmF4


– John (@JohnBrownlie32) [October 20, 2013](#)

Packing up and cleaning off [#easterroad](#) [#police](#) [#fire](#)
pic.twitter.com/sfyxh3ZEvI

– John (@JohnBrownlie32) [October 20, 2013](#)

[#easterroad](#) [#police](#) [#fire](#) pic.twitter.com/vE807qPsY2

– John (@JohnBrownlie32) [October 20, 2013](#)

 **Underbelly and Unique Events, on behalf of The City of Edinburgh Council, this week released the first artist's impression of Edinburgh's Christmas 2013.**

Christmas in Edinburgh has been seriously re-imagined as an event for families, children, young people, and for all of Edinburgh. Whilst retaining many of the traditionally popular attractions, they have relocated some, expanded others and introduced new attractions that will delight the residents and visitors of this historic city. Christmas in Edinburgh will be a metropolitan festival to rival the celebrations of other world cities and an event that the capital city of Scotland will be proud of.

Since arriving in the city 14 years ago, The Big Wheel quickly became an iconic addition to the Edinburgh skyline. This year they are delighted to unveil a brand new Big Wheel to the capital. Standing at over 42 metres high, this new wheel will provide unrivalled views of Edinburgh Castle, the Old and New Towns and, weather permitting, Fife, all from the comfort of one of the 36 fully enclosed pods, each comfortably sitting 6

people. To make this an even more memorable experience, they have installed a commentary that will point out many historical landmarks. After 14 years of nestling alongside the Scott Monument, the Big Wheel is rotated by 90 degrees, and will now sit between the cafe and the statue of Provost Black, providing the finest views of our historic city.

Councillor Steve Cardownie, Edinburgh's Festivals & Events Champion, said:- **"Underbelly promised that they would deliver something fresh and exciting for Edinburgh's Christmas, whilst remaining true to the successes of years gone by. Judging by the programme, unveiled in such style last month, and these artist's impressions, they have done just that, proving that once again the capital is the place to be at Christmas time."**

Charlie Wood, Director of Underbelly, said:- **"The Big Wheel has always been a central feature of Edinburgh's Christmas festivities and this year we are thrilled to be introducing a brand new Big Wheel, in a new location, with even more comfortable enclosed pods which will make this the most unforgettable**

Big Wheel experience that Edinburgh has ever seen."

At Stockbridge Library they have a session on 29 October which will interest you if you have young children.

Join Talking Tots, Jen, at Stockbridge Library baby café 29 October 2013 at 11.00am. Jen will chat about helping young children to communicate and has some fun activities for tots too. Should be fun, join us for a coffee and a chat from 10.30am.

Survival of the Fittest is taking place in Princes Street Gardens today. 3,500 people are expected to take part in the 10k obstacle course. More details [here](#) and hopefully they will have some good photos later!

Hibernian 1-1 Celtic Hibs Hold League Leaders at Easter Road



Hibernian and Celtic today contested a thrilling match at Easter Road, with plenty of action and a share of the points going to both sides in this exciting encounter. It was Hibs striker Paul Heffernan who put the home side ahead after 18 minutes before a James Forrest goal just under 15 minutes from the end saw Celtic get back on level terms. Celtic were dominant for large periods of the game and had many chances, but Hibs put in a spirited performance to hold their own against the league leaders and came away with a point.

The tempo for this game was set in the opening few minutes, with Celtic starting brightly and winning a corner almost immediately. The away team were getting forward in numbers at every opportunity, and Hibs had to weather an early storm before they could begin to assert themselves and impose some of their own play on the game. Kris Commons had a couple of opportunities which he could not direct on target, and instead it was at the other end of the pitch that the first goal came, against the run of play. Kevin Thomson managed to dispossess his former Hibernian team mate Scott Brown and threaded a ball through to Heffernan. The Hibs striker was perhaps in an

offside position but managed to take full advantage of his bit of luck and calmly slotted the ball past Fraser Forster into the back of the net.

The home side seemed to take encouragement after this early and unexpected lead, and began to play more comfortably on the ball, keeping possession and moving forwards. Thomson had a shot saved from a distance, while at the other end Commons squandered a great opportunity for an early equaliser when he put the ball over the bar with only Hibs keeper Ben Williams to beat. The Celtic player's misery was compounded when he had to leave the pitch soon after, a suspected hamstringing injury seeing him substituted for James Forrest. Forrest made an immediate impact, drawing Williams away from his goal and setting up Teemu Pukki, but the Finn's shot was well-blocked by Ryan McGivern. The away side continued to press up until half-time, but their attempts were not enough to get back on level terms.

Celtic continued to look for a goal at the beginning of the second half, with Hibs once again having to rely on defensive heroics to survive the onslaught. Williams made a great save from a Berman Kayal strike before being called upon shortly after to deny Anthony Stokes. After surviving that early wave of Celtic attack, Hibs once again grew into the game and made use of the ball on the break to create a few chances of their own. Abdellah Zoubir managed to slip the ball into the path of Owain Tudur Jones, who was making a late run to the edge of the box, but the Welshman couldn't find the necessary power to take his effort past Forster. Liam Craig then won a corner as Forster pushed his stinging shot past the post, but the home side failed to double their advantage.

Celtic's equaliser came after McGivern clattered into Darnell Fisher, the Hibs player earning himself a yellow card and an injury in the process. With McGivern having left the field to receive treatment, Celtic took full advantage of the gap at left-back, and Forrest drove in through the space vacated by

the Northern Irishman to curl his shot past Williams into the bottom-left corner of the net and put Celtic back on level terms at 1-1. McGivern could no longer continue, and was replaced by James McPake for the remaining 12 minutes. Celtic were full of renewed vigour after their equaliser and were looking to press for the winner, but a tenacious performance by Hibs saw the home side hold on in the closing stages. They were aided by another stunning save from Williams, who denied Forrest with only a few minutes remaining. The game ended 1-1, with a share of the points for both sides in what had been a frantic, action-filled game.

After the game, Hibs manager Pat Fenlon said:- "I suppose it's mixed feelings. We scored so early and led for so long so against anybody you are always disappointed to lose a lead. We defended so well, particularly in the second half when they put a lot of balls into our box and got a lot of bodies forward. At the start of the game when you play Celtic you may be happy to pick up a point, but when you are leading for so long you are disappointed not to have picked up the three points."

When told that Neil Lennon had complained about a few of the challenges from the Hibs players, Fenlon responded: -"Good, that means the message is getting across to my players that we want to compete and get into peoples faces, but Lennon is entitled to his opinion. Our shape was good today. We changed it a little bit with James Collins out and Owain Tudur Jones sitting in front of our back four because we knew Celtic would get a lot of players central which they do and even their wide players come in and play a lot, so we had to nullify that. I think most of the tackles were fair. I think there was one in the first half that they moaned about, but it was a good tackle. When you watch it, it's a real good challenge. That's part of the game and you just have to get on with it. Everyone has different opinions. I am delighted with my team. We worked tremendously hard, we've been at Celtic and made sure they

knew they had been in a game and we also played some decent football as well.”

This valuable point means that Hibs have lost only one of their last nine matches, and the Easter Road side will be looking to build on this form as they welcome Aberdeen next weekend followed by a midweek League Cup tie against rivals Hearts.

Hibernian: Williams, McGivern (McPake 78'), Hanlon, Nelson, Robertson, Craig (Vine 88'), Stevenson, Tudur Jones, Heffernan, Zoubir (Taiwo 90'), Thomson. Substitutes not used: Murdoch, Collins, Handling, Mullen.

Celtic: Forster, Ambrose, van Dijk, Brown, Samaras, Stokes, Commons (Forrest 27'), Pukki (Balde 85'), Mulgrew, Kayal (Ledley 67'), Fisher. Substitutes not used: Zaluska, Biton, Henderson, Rogic.

Referee: Calum Murray.

Winter Exhibitions at Gallery TEN



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The third exhibition of Spektrum Collective will be shown at Gallery TEN from 15 November to 24 December 2013.

Spektrum Collective was formed in 2011 around a core of artists who use Edinburgh Printmakers. It aims to show the very best, innovative and highest quality work by artists

working in printmaking media and has expanded to involve artists from around the UK.

Artists include Alfons Bytautas, Jessica Crisp, Gill Tyson, David Faithfull, Patrizio Belcampo, Sue Corke, Paul Musgrove, Anne Forte, Alexander Hamilton, Catherine Hiley and Chris Sleath and will be introducing recent graduate Alistair Gow.

This year Gallery TEN and Spektrum Collective have teamed up with jewellers resident at Silverhub Studios who will be exhibiting their new collections exclusively at the gallery.

Gallery TEN was opened in 2012 by two Spektrum members as a result of the collective's successful first exhibition. It is situated at 10 Stafford Street amongst the independent retailers, cafes, galleries and bars of this part of Edinburgh's West End.

Spektrum Collective at Gallery TEN
15 November to 24 December 2013

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Opening Hours Tuesday – Saturday 10.30am – 5.30pm
Extended opening hours in the run up to Christmas.

Submitted by [Gallery TEN](#)



Handling proves fitness ahead of Celtic clash



Hibs youngster Danny Handling proved his fitness ahead of today's clash with Celtic by racing a Supercharged Lotus Elise at Easter Road on Thursday to publicise the Murray Lotus Challenge.

His impressive performance will probably earn him a place on the bench; however he accepts that walking straight back into the first team after injury was unlikely to happen due to the standard of midfielders available for selection.

Handling said: "It's a massive squad and everyone's got massive ability, so to get back in the team is going to be hard for anyone. We've won five in the last seven games, so that says how much the team are improving. I'm fit enough. I've been doing runs; I've been doing a bit extra. I'd say I'm back to where I was before, so it's all come together again.

"It's obviously one of the biggest games of the season against one of the best teams. They're Scottish champions for a reason, so it's a very big game for everyone. I feel we can beat anyone here on our day, with the fans behind us. We won 1-0 last time, and did well to get a result, because they are Scottish champions.

"They've probably got the best squad on paper, but they are beatable. I came on that day, for the last five or ten minutes. At the time I wasn't really playing a lot, just in and out the team. I came on that day to try and defend the lead – so they'd know who to blame. Thankfully, we got the result. You need to show them a bit of respect, because they are good players and very talented. But you have to show them what you can do, not lie down, and fight back. And hopefully

that's enough on the day."

The teenager also came on for the last 20 minutes of the Scottish Cup Final last season, but by that stage, Celtic were well in command, but he believes that the experience has made him a better player.

"To come on in a Scottish Cup final against anybody is a great achievement in itself. I was only 18, so to get on in a game like that was massive. I was up against Emilio Izaguirre. At first, I didn't know what to think because he's big, he's quite fast: I was quite cautious. But once I got on I wasn't too bad – I was more focused on my own game. I would say there's not a lot of nerves now. Because I've played quite a few games, I know what it's like at first-team level. I know what the fans expect and what the tempo's like, so I'm used to it. Games like this can bring out nerves in the best of players, so there are still a few nerves before."

The Murray Lotus Challenge is open for all supporters to participate in and involves sprinting over 18 yards to record a quicker time than a high-performance car.

The quickest supporters (three adults and three kids) over 18-yards will compete in the Murray Lotus Challenge pitch side at half-time to win a range of brilliant prizes; including a VIP day at Easter Road.

Racing beside the hallowed Easter Road pitch, Handling went up through the gears to record an impressive time of 2.52 seconds over 18 yards – marginally behind the time set by the Supercharged Lotus Elise (1.95).

Five things you need to know today



West End reopens for business – MPs campaign against privatisation of East Coast continues – Council putting economic development first- Portobello Pop-up Market – St Cecilia's Hall tonight

Following six years of disruption the West End will reopen this morning to pedestrians and traffic.

A range of changes to traffic arrangements in the West End will now come into force with changes to public transport and vehicle access. These include a return to two-way vehicle traffic at Manor Place and bus, taxi and cycle access to Shandwick Place, with general vehicles permitted entry between 8pm – 7am. Full details of traffic arrangements can be accessed on the Council's [website](#).

Council Leader Andrew Burns said:-“This is another significant step in the tram project.”

Edinburgh Labour MPs Sheila Gilmore and Mark Lazarowicz continued their campaign against the privatisation of East Coast on Friday afternoon by speaking to passengers outside Waverley station.

They were joined by Sarah Boyack Lothians MSP as well as trade unionists, and the session coincided with the hand-in of a 23,000 signature petition to the Department of Transport in London by campaigners calling for the line to be kept in public hands.

Speaking afterwards Sheila Gilmore said:"Passengers recognise the improvements to services that East Coast have made under public ownership over the last four years. They also appreciate that at present, all profits are retained for public benefit, rather than lost to shareholders.'

'The decision to privatise East Coast puts this at risk and shows that David Cameron and his Ministers put ideology before the needs of passengers and taxpayers.'

Mark Lazarowicz said:-'East Coast has achieved success under public operation, receiving less subsidy than any of the other 18 private franchises and paying back more to the taxpayer than all but one.'

'It has done that with no certainty about how long it would continue to remain in public hands. Ministers should now drop their plans for privatisation to give East Coast stability so it can plan for the future.'

Sarah Boyack MSP said:-'I expect most people couldn't care less who runs their trains, as long as they're frequent, on time and affordable. However the Government's decision to re-privatise East Coast ahead of the next General Election could have a detrimental impact in these areas, and that's why I've got involved in the campaign against these plans.'

The importance of Edinburgh's economic development as a central part of the Council's strategy will be reinforced as councillors are asked to approve a new Director of Economic

Development post at the [meeting](#) of Council next week.

Greg Ward is currently Head of Economic Development at the City of Edinburgh Council and his post has been re-designated to Director.

Councillor Frank Ross, Convener of the Economy Committee, said: "This recommendation reflects the status of the role and the importance that we attach to promoting and supporting Edinburgh's economic competitiveness on an international stage. Greg has driven forward our Strategy for Jobs and just last week we celebrated the many achievements of the last year including the success of the Edinburgh Guarantee and the opening of our new Grade A office space at Atria."

Sue Bruce, Chief Executive, said; "Greg has been doing an excellent job leading on economic development over the last while. By recommending that we now redesignate his position as a Director, we are reinforcing the importance of economic development to the Council in driving forward growth in the city. If approved, we will continue to ensure that economic development is at the heart of everything we do as a Council."

Hugh Rutherford, the Chair of the Edinburgh Business Forum, said: "The Edinburgh Business Forum is delighted that economic development is being prioritised by the City of Edinburgh Council's recommendation that Greg Ward's role is to become Director of Economic Development.

"This appointment would be timely, as the national economy emerges from economic downturn. With Edinburgh's knowledge based economy and a critical mass in several key growth areas, and with record levels of foreign direct investment coming into the city during the downturn, Edinburgh is potentially well placed for future growth. However, there is considerable global competition, and it is important that economic development is at the forefront of the Council's activities. The EBF looks forward to continuing working with

Greg and his experienced team going forward."

David Birrell, Chief Executive, the Edinburgh Chamber of Commerce, said: "The role of the Council in supporting growth, jobs and harnessing the power of public and private business partnerships is more important than ever. The post of Director of Economic Development is key in recognizing this priority, maintaining the momentum achieved to date and building further Edinburgh's economic profile as a city both domestically and internationally."



Tonight at St Cecilia's Hall in the Cowgate, The Queen's Hall are putting on a classical music concert.

Corelli Tercentenary Concert:
The Angel of the Bow

Rodolfo Richter: violin; William Carter: theorbo/baroque guitar; Nicholas Parle: harpsichord

'... the works of the great Corelli became the onely musick relished for a long time, and there seemed no satiety of them, nor is the virtue of them yet exhaled, and it is a question of whether it will ever be spent, for if musick can be immortall, Corelli's consorts will be so'.

So wrote Roger North in 1728 and his words are just as valid in 2013, 300 years after Corelli's burial in the Pantheon in Rome. Palladians celebrate his wonderful achievement with four sonatas from his Opus 5, guitar arrangements of his music by Santiago de Murcia, and harpsichord sonatas by his great compatriot Domenico Scarlatti.

Booking details [here](#).

VIDEO – Shandwick Place almost ready for reopening tomorrow



Shandwick Place is due to reopen tomorrow marking the end of all major tramworks in the city centre. We took the chance to get out and film while the street was still free from traffic. But don't go there with your car – the street is open for trams, buses, cycles and taxis only.

If you are pining for the days when you could drive along it then have a look at this aerial shot from RCAHMS.



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Council to film more committee meetings

In an effort to make the procedure of more council meetings more transparent and obvious to the public, the council is planning to spend between £17,000 and £81,000 on the installation of new equipment in the Dean of Guild Court Room at the City Chambers so that meetings held there can be viewed online live. A report to be discussed at the full council meeting will detail the various options for the video and audio recording equipment needed for this.

The meetings held in the secondary committee room include the Transport and Environment Committee and the Planning Committee, and so the public will have the opportunity to see exactly what goes on there without leaving their homes. At present practically all council meetings are open to the public, but it is true to say that only a few Edinburgh residents are interested enough to go along to the City Chambers, even for the full council meeting which is held each month.



Webcasting was introduced into the main chamber in September last year, and all meetings held there since then have been filmed. The footage is stored online. 5,000 people have watched the meetings live and over 19,000 have watched the recordings of meetings. Unfortunately this has meant that one senior councillor Jeremy Balfour was also caught on camera at one of the Petition Committee meetings playing Solitaire on his iPad, which resulted in his having to make an abject apology for his behaviour. So what do you think? Is the webcasting service something you use?

Council Leader, Councillor Andrew Burns said:- "People in

Edinburgh told us clearly that they wanted an open and transparent Council with greater scrutiny of our decisions. Extending the webcasting service is just one of the ways we hope to achieve this.

“It’s important the public have the opportunity to view and hear Council debates and see elected members making the decisions that affect them directly. Many of the biggest local issues are discussed at these meetings and by giving people direct, online access to the content of these will hopefully increase the public’s engagement with local government.”

The Lord Provost is photographed below at his inauguration in May 2012 before webcasting began. You can find out more about viewing the meetings on the council website [here](#).



VIDEO – many affected by Corstorphine Community Centre fire



The Community Centre on Kirk Loan has been greatly damaged by fire this week. We spoke to the local councillor Frank Ross who will be involved in the restitution of the building.

Phew! End is in sight for City Centre Tram works



WEST END REOPENING MARKS END OF CITY CENTRE DISRUPTION

The council said today that Shandwick Place will reopen tomorrow meaning that the end of city centre disruption due to tram works is in view.

The £776m project has involved much disruption due to the civil engineering works to reroute the underground services and then lay tram tracks on our city's streets, but in anticipation of the tram line actually running from the airport to York Place by May 2014, the city will be returning to some kind of normality with the reopening of York Place last month and now the West End thoroughfare of Shandwick Place.

A range of changes to traffic arrangements in the West End will now come into force with changes to public transport and vehicle access. These include a return to two-way vehicle traffic at Manor Place and bus, taxi and cycle access to Shandwick Place, with general vehicles permitted entry between 8pm – 7am. Full details of traffic arrangements can be accessed on the Council's [website](#).

Following the return of traffic, further work to reinstate the road network back to pre-tram arrangements will be carried out by the Council and in addition preparations for live tram operation will also take place. These planned works will be localised but may occasionally impact on traffic flows until

the end of the tram's testing and commissioning phase.

Councillor Lesley Hinds, the city's Transport Convener, said:-
"With the tram project now nearing completion, the city centre is beginning to take shape and we can look forward to next year when passenger services will begin.

"We know it's been very difficult for people living and working in areas affected by the tram works and it will be a big relief that the majority of disruptive works in the city centre are now over. Now is the time to look forward to the opportunities ahead and to embrace the benefits that a modern, integrated transport system, incorporating all transport options, can bring to our city."

"Our target for service launch is now May 2014 but, of course, we'll bring this forward if we can. However, it's important to remember that a thorough testing, commissioning and driver training programme is absolutely essential. There is much work still to be done and it's vital that all the appropriate tests and checks are made before we go into service."

Transport Minister Keith Brown said:- "Alongside the redevelopment of Haymarket and Waverley Stations, Edinburgh will very soon have a modern transport system it can be proud of. The investment at Haymarket, Waverley, the Gateway and in electrification takes us one step closer to revolutionising the rail network in central Scotland."

"We cannot forget the disruption that those living and working

in the West End have had to endure for too many years, but we can welcome this step forward in a tram project which is gathering pace. Transport Scotland has played a key role in supporting City of Edinburgh Council and contractors to get the tram project back on track and we will continue to work with them to bring the May 2014 delivery date forward at every available opportunity.”

The tram service is forecast to be up and running for passengers in May 2014, two months ahead of the revised target of July 2014. Route testing has begun between Gogar depot and Edinburgh Park Station with full route testing scheduled to begin in December.

The Council has set out plans to create a new organisation, Transport for Edinburgh, to integrate transport services in the Capital. Transport for Edinburgh will be set up initially to integrate the tram and bus services, with Lothian Buses and Edinburgh Trams confirmed as the operators. A report on the latest position on the appointment of the Transport for Edinburgh board will be considered by Councillors on 24 October 2013 when four of the directors of Lothian Buses will be confirmed as part of that board along with Transport Convenor Lesley Hinds and other councillors from other political groups.

The council maintains that the project remains in line with the revised budget (£776m) approved by the Council in September 2011, with work either ahead of schedule or in line with the revised timescale reported in December 2011.

Fenlon singles out Stokes as Celtic dangerman



Pat Fenlon has singled out former Hibs' striker Anthony Stokes as the man his defenders will have to watch out for tomorrow when champions Celtic visit the capital.

Speaking at the weekly press conference ahead of the game, Fenlon said: "I know Anthony well; he was at Shelbourne as a kid when I was the manager there before he went to Arsenal. I know him really well from a playing point of view, although I don't know him that well personally. He's a real talent, and I think Gary Hooper leaving has really helped him. He's the main man and that has helped him.

"He was just a kid at Shelbourne, maybe 14, but he was such a special talent, a really good schoolboy player. He was bigger than everybody but he had all the natural ability in the world, the kind of thing you can't coach. I hope Anthony doesn't mind me calling him a street footballer, because it's something we don't have enough of in Ireland. We're not developing these type of players anymore, because the lads don't play on the streets.

Fellow Dubliner Fenlon is happy to see the talented striker back in the international fold after Ireland failed to qualify for the World Cup on Brazil next year, although he joked that he would have been happier had he been missing tomorrow.

"I'm delighted he's back in the Ireland squad, because he's a player we have lacked. He's someone I would describe as a street footballer – he has different things to his game, he's not methodical in the things he does, and to have that in your team is a great asset. From a defensive point of view he is difficult to tie down, because he does things off the cuff.

From Ireland's point of view it is brilliant to have him back – but I was hoping he might've picked up something and not be fit again until Tuesday night.

Stokes has had his share of off-field problems as had Leigh Griffiths who scored the winner when the teams met at Easter Road last season, and Fenlon who was recently praised by the Wolves and Scotland striker for man management skills was asked whether he had used the 'arm around the shoulder' tactic in his dealings with him.

"Arm around the shoulder?" he joked. "It was more like the neck. Anthony is similar to Leigh, because there's a natural ability there. The key with Leigh was getting that ability on the pitch away from anything that was going on off the pitch. That man-management is as important as anything else; to try and get a real talent to perform to the level they are capable of.

"There are a lot of different ways depending on the player. When you have players like Anthony and Leigh you have to find a way. You want to make them the player they can be. Anthony, like Leigh, has probably matured more. He sees things in a better light, that he has a real talent and doesn't want to waste it. I have said that to Leigh a few times: 'You have a talent to play at a really high level, don't waste it.'

"There's no real coaching with guys like that. When they're in and around the box you just tell them to go and do your own thing. Once I had Leigh on the training ground he wasn't a nightmare at all. When he left the training ground you worried for him."

Danny Handling is back in the squad after injury but unlikely to start, while Sam Stanton is expected to be out of action for several weeks after injuring a hip in training.

Five things you need to know today



Council's role in statutory repairs to be expanded – Cycling demonstration – Beechwood FC looking for Football coaches – Wedding Fayre at The Scotsman Hotel – Today at The Cameo

The council's repairs service is set for a new lease of life according to plans being unveiled at the [Property Sub-Committee](#) later today and to be verified by the full council next week.

Closed down amid the scandal of misdemeanours among the council officials, the newly named Shared Repairs Service opened its doors at the beginning of April 2013.

Edinburgh council is unique in having a role in helping property owners sort out common repairs in tenements. The way it works is that the council imposes a statutory notice on a property calling on all the owners to put their property in order. For example the council might require the owners to carry out a roof repair, or an internal repair to the common stairway. Generally the statutory notices require works to make the building safe. In the event of the owners of various properties failing to reach agreement to do the work, the council can proceed to have estimates obtained and instruct the repair, billing each property owner for it.

Now in a new move the council plans to bill property owner for any emergency repairs in advance of the work being carried out.

The council also undertake to clear the backlog of old statutory notices which have been left on hold while the scandal involving the council officers was investigated.

The role of the Statutory Repairs Service (SRS) was put out to consultation last autumn. Although eight members of staff were employed by the new SRS system seven people were offered voluntary redundancy.

This is a sizeable problem in that over £34m is outstanding, some of which is work yet to be billed and over £1m is being pursued through the courts.

Further proposed changes will be made public later this morning when the council publishes its papers for next week's council meeting.

[Stop Climate Chaos](#) the organisation dedicated to action on climate change are organising a demonstration at St Andrews House on 30 October 2013 to try and persuade the Finance Secretary to double investment into walking and cycling in the 2014/15 budget. Find out more here. They explain why: -“We all need to move about, whether that's popping down to the shops, commuting to work, taking children to school or going on holiday: everyone uses transport in one form or another. □□Enabling more people to walk and cycle is a crucial part of reducing our collective carbon footprint.

The Scottish Government has the power to transform the way we move around, but at the moment only a tiny fraction (just over 1%) of the total transport budget in Scotland is allocated to cycling and walking.”

The cycling organisation Spokes has submitted this to the Infrastructure and Capital Investment Committee

<http://www.theedinburghreporter.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2013/>



If you are a football coach or interested in getting involved with youngsters playing football then this might be for you.

Beechwood FC, based at Gyle Park, Edinburgh are looking for a couple of coaches to help with the transition of their existing 2002 squad from 7-a-side to 11-a-side football in 2014. Experience preferred but not essential as training will be given.

The club are also looking for a coach to work with their existing 2005 squad. Previous experience is not a prerequisite for this age group as the coach would be working with an experienced coach and qualified First Aider.

Interested parties should contact David Smith at davids52@hotmail.co.uk to get further details.

On 20 October 2013 some of Scotland's finest suppliers of wedding services will come to The Scotsman Hotel. Exhibitors range from luxe designer cake makers to wedding planners, so you can ensure that each aspect of your big day is carried out

in style.

You'll be greeted with a glass of Prosecco at the free entry event, and are welcome to browse the stalls from 12pm-4pm. There will be goodie bags filled with inspirational trinkets, and a chance to explore one of Edinburgh's premium wedding venues – the Scotsman Hotel

Book your wedding at our 5 star hotel and we will do everything we can to make your day unforgettable. Those attending the Wedding Fayre will receive 10% off their wedding package upon payment of a £500 deposit. This offer is valid for weddings of 50 guests or more happening from now until 2014.

<http://www.thescotsmanhotel.co.uk/weddings/wedding-fayre>

Today at The Cameo you can see the film Enough Said starring the late great James Gandolfini which he completed just before his untimely death. Apart from the melancholy of that fact, the film is billed as 'a complete joy'. With a staggering 95% rating on [Rotten Tomatoes](#) this would seem like the perfect way to start off the weekend. Booking details for The Cameo [here](#).

If you have other ideas then do let us know what you're up to!



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