



SOUTH EDINBURGH MEETING

April 2016



The sea at Berwick, springtime

MEETINGS FOR WORSHIP

Every Sunday at 10.30 am at the Open Door, 420 Morningside Road, EH10 5HY, with separate children's meeting.

Every Wed at Victoria Terrace: 12.30-1.00.

At Portobello: at Old Parish Church Bellfield St, EH15 2BP, on **1st Sunday** at **7.30 pm** for half an hour in the church café area; and **2nd and 4th Sun** at **11 am** for 1 hr (includes children's meeting) in the church hall. Queries to Kim Smith, kimsmith@yahoo.com, 0131 665 8166.

At Broughton St Mary's: 4th Sunday. 7pm in the Drummond Room at Broughton St Mary's Church, Bellevue Cresc. More info: Marjorie Farquharson.

Central Edinburgh meeting has an early Sunday morning meeting at 9.30 am in addition to the regular 11.00 am meeting at Victoria Terrace.

SPECIAL COLLECTION

In April is for the **Swarthmore Lecture**, which in 2016 is about peace building by East African Quakers. Alison Burnley will speak to this. woodbrooke.org.uk/pages/swarthmore-2016.html

LOCAL MEETING EVENTS

About Quaker funerals – on **Sun 3 Apr**, 1pm at Victoria Terrace after meeting there. Open to all in Area Meeting.

Area Meeting will be held in Central Edinburgh on **Sat 9 Apr** starting at 2pm.

Meeting for Learning after MfW on ... (t.b.c.)

There will be a **Meeting at Faslane** on **Sun 21 Apr**.

OTHER QUAKER EVENTS

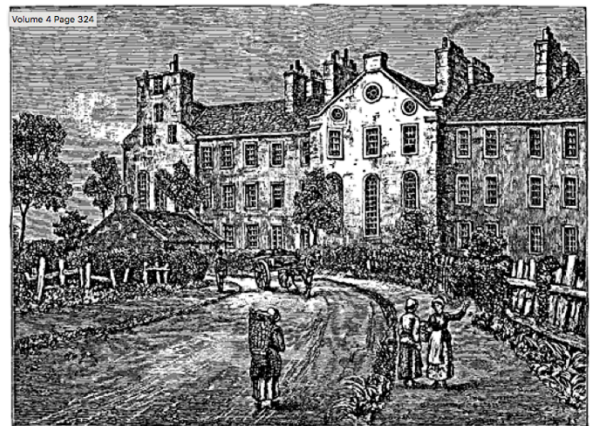
The **Drop-In Group** 1st Monday afternoons, contact Sylvia Massey.

Singing Group 1st Tuesdays, 7.30pm at Victoria Terrace. Contact Rachel Frith.

Rachel also offers **Coffee at Rachel's** at 10.15 on first and third Thursdays.

Edinburgh Women's Interfaith Group meets on 3rd Wednesdays at 7pm. www.edinwig.org.uk.

Book Group meets on 4th Sundays at Victoria Terrace after Meeting, but March's session on Anne Tyler's *A Spool of Blue Thread* was postponed to Apr 3rd. April 24: *Wolf Solent* by John Cowper Powys. Qs to Rachel Frith.



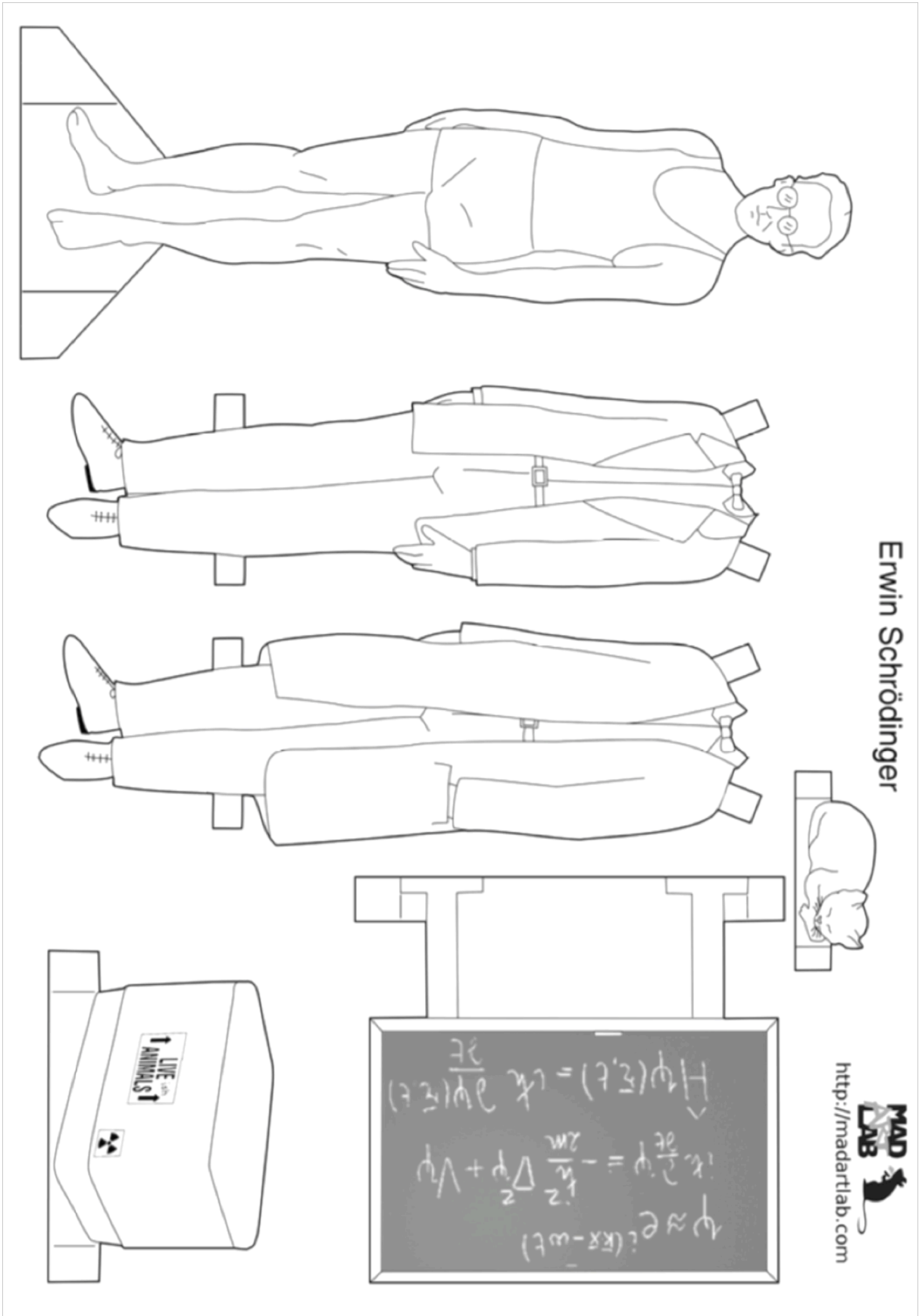
Edinburgh Poor House (1743), Forrest Rd. See p4. (Edinburghbookshelf.co.uk; more in May issue)

More Events and News on the Back Page

Scientist paper dolls

Ada Lovelace and more at madartlab.com/scientist-paper-dolls-the-full-collection

Coming shortly to a children's class near you.



MORE NEWS AND DATES

No Minutes in this issue because our Meeting for Business on 20 Mar was held over till May.

Summer Shindig is a memorable week for Northern Young Friends (age 11-16y on 30 June). This year at Ackworth School in Yorkshire, **30 Jul - 6 Aug**. Info and sign-up forms have been emailed to all on email lists, or contact summershindig@gmail.com well before the application deadline of **3rd April**.

What we're listening to

"The seeming peace is actually a melodrama of desperation and desire" – Adam Gopnik on Meditation, our need for it, its weirdness and sometimes selfishness. Thought-provoking 10 min Point of View bbc.co.uk/programmes/b073bb5l

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Could someone review the Bo'ness Hippodrome in 30 words? And/or a film seen at it.

BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to **Jacob** who will be 5 on the 2nd, and to **Saskia** who will be 14 on the 19th.



UNMISSABLE INTERWEBS



Our **Facebook page of the month** is **Diala Brisly** (5,754 Likes), a Syrian artist living in Beirut, whose childrens' serial *Zatoun* and *Zatouna* is apparently still being printed in Syria.

Quaker relevance: 89%

Are YOU doing enough on the Web?



bit.ly/1Tv213v

David Sterrat has written a history of Edinburgh University's Forrest Hill building, much of which is about the huge Poor House that opened on Forrest Road (near Port Bristo) in 1743. sterrat.me.uk/forrest-hill-history

Our **Wikipedia page of the month** is **Scottish Poor Laws** (255 visits per month). Several references from it are to the extensive, entertaining, richly-illustrated pages of workhouses.org.uk, which is in turn the 16-year project of Peter Higginbotham. Over 2800 web pages, 6000 photos and illustrations, and 1800 maps and plans. Very impressive.

Quaker relevance: 72%

The Sustainable Edinburgh ballpen is thrown to one side, and this newsletter distributed on the last Sunday of each month.

Send things you'd like to see in it to neilturn@gmail.com by the Sunday before. Want it hot by email? Contact same address.

Or it, archives, and more SouthEdQuak trickiness are at quakerscotland.org/south-edinburgh