



SOUTH EDINBURGH MEETING

April 2017



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MEETINGS FOR WORSHIP

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

And at **Victoria Terrace:** Every **Wed** 12.30-1.00., and **Mon and Fri:** 8.00 am for half an hour.

Central Edinburgh on Sundays holds a small, quiet, shorter meeting at 9.30 am in addition to main meeting at 11.00. Victoria Terrace.

At Portobello: 2nd and 4th Sundays at 11am, Fisherrow Centre, South St, Musselburgh EH21 6AT. With children's meeting. Bus stop by Brunton Theatre. 1st Sunday evening meetings 7.30-8 at Portobello and Joppa Parish Church (formerly St Phillips), Brunstane Rd North.

At Broughton St Mary's: 4th Sunday. 7pm in the Drummond Room at Broughton St Mary's Church, 22 Bellevue Cresc.

More meetings are listed in Sesame, or see quakerscotland.org

SPECIAL COLLECTION

In April is for **Edinburgh Remakery**. Fix broken goods, buy remade ones, learn new skills, do good things. www.edinburghremakery.org.uk Eoin Rutter will speak to this.

LOCAL MEETING EVENTS

There will be a **Meeting at Faslane** on **Sun 9 April**. Info from Alison Burnley.

Local Meeting for Business will be held after MfW on **Sun 30 April**.

April is the quietest month?

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 Frith offers **Coffee at Rachel's** at 10.15 on 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month.

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

Book Group At Victoria Terrace after Meeting on 4th Sunday of each month. April, Peter Hoeg *Miss Smilla's Feeling for Snow* and/or *Borderliners*. May: George Eliot's *Felix Holt*; Jun Meera Syal's *The House of Hidden Mothers*. Rachel Frith.



Tibetan New Year, making modern prayer flags. Beth and Ola explained that Buddhists make the flags to stand for different things which can do good in the world. Spiderman and superman here included.

Deirdre Armstrong

More Events and News overleaf

MORE NEWS AND DATES

De-mystifying Quaker Structures – after MfW on **Sun May 14**. Central and Portobello and Musselburgh friends also welcome. Bring and share lunch; with some soup provided.

Our **Christian Aid mini-mart** is also on **Sun May 14th** – please bring donations for that on the **7th** or **14th May**.

Northern Young Friends Summer Shindig Sat 29 Jul – Sat 5 Aug, Ackworth School. Ages 11-16, apply by **4 April** to summershindig@gmail.com. £300 / £285, bursaries available.

Wanted: Ecumenical Accompaniers to work as human rights monitors in the West Bank and Israel. 20 vacancies for three months' service in 2018. Apply at www.quaker.org.uk/applyeappi by **28 April**. Queries to Helen Bradford, 020 7663 1071, helenb@quaker.org.uk

The Festival Committee will soon be seeking volunteers to help at **Venue 40, Aug 6-27**, and for accommodation for about 14. Watch this space.

This newsletter usually goes out on the last Sunday of each month, but this month a low-calorie edition was completed sooner. Fatten it up by emailing neilturn@gmail.com

Newsletter, archives, and more can also be found at quakerscotland.org/south-edinburgh

Unmissable online

Our **Wikipedia Page of the Month** is **Mary Somerville** (1780-1872) (237 visits/day, 36 edits/year). The 'Queen of Nineteenth Century Science' was brought up in the Borders and Fife. Her second husband encouraged her intellectual pursuits, as did professors of maths and natural philosophy in Edinburgh. Her achievements in science and maths were quite remarkable, as was



her recognition, all in the Victorian era with 4 children. Somerville College in Oxford is named after her, as are a room in the Scottish Parliament, a crater on the moon, and other earth-bound and astronomical objects.

Truly a dangerous role model. She won a recent public vote to appear on the RBS £10 note.

Quaker relevance: 33%

BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to **Jacob**, who will be 6 on the 2nd April, and to **Saskia**, who will be 15 on the 19th.



May you receive a pair so fine

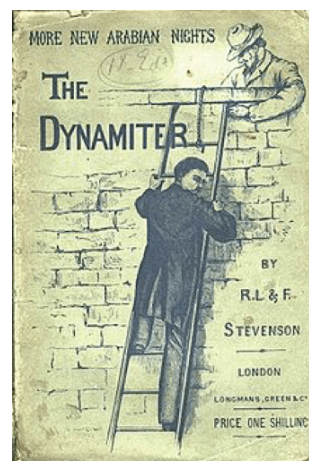
What we're watching

Brief Encounter is the deservedly classic 1945 film of Noel Coward's 1936 play. Dated in accents and perhaps more, but understated, moving, memorable*. Watched at an outstanding venue, Pilrig PPP (R&S. Reade prop.) **HSC**

* "Her husband used to seem boring, but now is transformed into a model of modernity, understanding and tolerance. Who's changed?"

"You seriously expect me to watch a 1948 film in black and white?"

And



'The earliest comedic novel about terrorism' was written by Fanny van de Grift Stevenson with RL Stevenson

Our **Facebook page of the month** is the **Dangerous Women Project** (7,311 likes). This Edinburgh organisation has an excellent website dangerouswomenproject.org. Articles particularly recommended on Dangerous Mothers (Craigmillar), Fanny van de Grift Stevenson, and Mary Somerville (see left hand column).

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