



SOUTH EDINBURGH MEETING

June 2013



MEETINGS FOR WORSHIP

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

Every weekday at Victoria Terrace: 8am for 30 mins Mon-Fri.

Every Wednesday at Victoria Terrace: 12.30-1.00 followed by a simple lunch.

At Portobello: 1st **Sunday** at Old Parish Church Bellfield St, EH15 2BP at **7.30 pm** for half an hour; and 4th **Sun** at **10.30 am** at CHANGES Community Health Project, 108 Market Street, Musselburgh EH21 6QA.

At Barony St: 4th **Sunday.** 7pm at the Glasite Meeting House, 33 Barony St (junction with Albany Lane). More info: Marjorie Farquharson.

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

SPECIAL COLLECTION

In June is for **Britain Yearly Meeting Funds.**
www.quaker.org/uk

LOCAL MEETING EVENTS

Learning Saturday at Kelso Meeting House on **1st June**, 10.30, will be led by Thomas Swain of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting: Your Spiritual Gifts.

On first Sundays a **Mini-mart** is held after meeting, in aid of external charities.

After meeting on **16th June Stasa Morgan-Appel** will speak about Woodbrooke – probably on Death and Dying.

Area Meeting at Kelso on **Sat 29th June**, 11.30-4pm

General Meeting for Scotland at Central Edinburgh, June 15th

These dates have been known to be wrong. See p 3.

OTHER QUAKER EVENTS

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

Quaker Knitting, NLS cafe on Thursday evenings 5-6 pm. moragferguson@hotmail.com (or call)

Singing Group 2nd Tuesdays, 7.30pm at Victoria Terrace, contact Rachel Frith, who also offers lifts for Penicuik Vault Singers on Sunday afternoons. www.kosmoid.net/penicuik/vaults

Reading the bible with Friends meets third Tuesdays 7-9pm Victoria Terrace.

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

Book Group on third Sundays at 1pm, Victoria Terrace. June: Mohsin Hamid *The Reluctant Fundamentalist*. Some substantial books coming so start reading early: Sep, John Lanchester *Mr Phillips*; Oct, RL Stevenson *Weir of Hermiston*; Nov, Monica Ali *Brick Lane*; Dec, Dickens *Our Mutual Friend*. Qs to Rachel Frith.

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Brennan Soane



Our Friend Brennan Soane died on 1st April

The John Wigham (enjoyment) trust

John Wigham left a legacy directing that grants should be made to 'deserving persons resident in Scotland who owing to straitened circumstances are unable to enjoy the usual pleasures of life, the purpose of such grants being to provide the recipients with some additional comfort or pleasure of an exceptional nature over and above the usual necessities of life'.

The trustees wrote in 2007 'We feel privileged to be able to administer this trust, which enables John Wigham to continue to commit random acts of kindness more than forty years after his death.'

£43,000 has been distributed over the past 8 years. Funds are likely to run out during 2013 unless further donations are forthcoming. We welcome applications from Quakers and non-Quakers resident anywhere in Scotland, for grants large or small. £500 will normally be the maximum. Applicants may obtain an application form and further information from Sylvia Massey, John Wigham (Enjoyment) Trust, 22 Bruntsfield Gardens, Edinburgh, EH10 4EA. sylviamassey293@btinternet.com or call 0131 229 4238

The completed form should be passed to a Quaker of long standing who is well known to their meeting, who will countersign it and forward it to the address above, to arrive by March 31st or Sept 30th each year. Applicants will normally hear the results of their application within 8 weeks of these deadlines.

Poem

I am passing on
into another era of my life:
I'm looking again
at mysticism,
but not as once
I gazed a score
of years ago.

I look today as one
who has travelled through
the awe of youth,
the search for earned perfection,
the times of secularity
and scientific humanism,
the drying up of prayer,
the death of "death of God",
the days of world-defined agendas
for the church.

I'm coming now
to wrestle once again
with the same mystery
who has followed me
persistently
along my journey
but not as in the past.
My expectations
all are altered.
My goal is redefined

I simply want
to hear and heed
to know and follow.
I seek no superpower.
This hour
God has purged
my immature direction

I journey inward
just because
I am created with capacity
for the quest,
expecting more,
not less, of world and church
and life.

Harvey Gillman

From our accounts

Martin Burnell presented accounts to Local Meeting on 17th May (full minutes next month).

We received income of £2280 from donations routed through Area Meeting plus £1060 from collections at meeting. Special collections for external charities raised £2064.

Premises rental cost £3102 and we spent £395 on other activities. We had an excess of income over expenditure of £447.

We have a bank balance of about £3300.

Suggested budget for 2013:

Expenditure	£	Income	£
Premises	3200	Cash collections	1000
Books and subscriptions	200	Donations	2700
Children's Committee	150	Minimart sales	360
Meeting activities	400		
Special donations	400		
Other	100		
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Total (excluding special collections)	4450		4060

Martin asks that Friends consider giving slightly more to the local meeting in 2013. If you pay tax, it is better to give via Area Meeting or Charities Aid Foundation, as tax can be reclaimed increasing the value of donations.

Department of Error

Recent errors have included birthdays, dates of AM, and probably several unreported. Apologies yet again.

For all ages

Bridges



xkcd.com

MORE EVENTS AND NEWS



Ade Cross is going to have his 6-year-untouched Afro cut ALL OFF on May 29th to raise funds for War Child, which protects and rehabilitates children affected by war. Support him at: www.justgiving.com/adesbigbaldybash
Ade is 18 and hoping to create computer games.

Pilgrimage for Peace and Justice from Iona to London passes through Edinburgh **on 2-3 June**. Sun 2nd Currie to Edinburgh. Mon 3rd West End to Parliament. www.justpeacepilgrimage.com

Cycle for Bhopal, Falkirk Wheel to Edinburgh, Sat 15th June. Contact ingridneil@bhopal.org

Coffee invitation on Thur 6th and 20th June at 10.30. Rachel Frith's home at East Parkside.

Quaker Campers are Friends from all parts of Britain who enjoy camping together. This year's in Derbyshire, 27 Jul - 3 Aug. Booking essential. Everyone welcome. Details from Yvonne Dickson, yhq100@hotmail.com 01244 300992. campers.quaker.eu.org

Accommodation for volunteers at Venue 40
Rachel Frith has received a number of offers but needs more – please consider offering B+B for 1 or 2 for at least one of the Fringe weeks 4-11, 11-18, 18-25 August. Expenses paid. Call/email her if you can help. Thanks! rachel.frith@waitrose.com

Our weekend in Wiston is scheduled for Sep 6-8th

What we're reading/watching

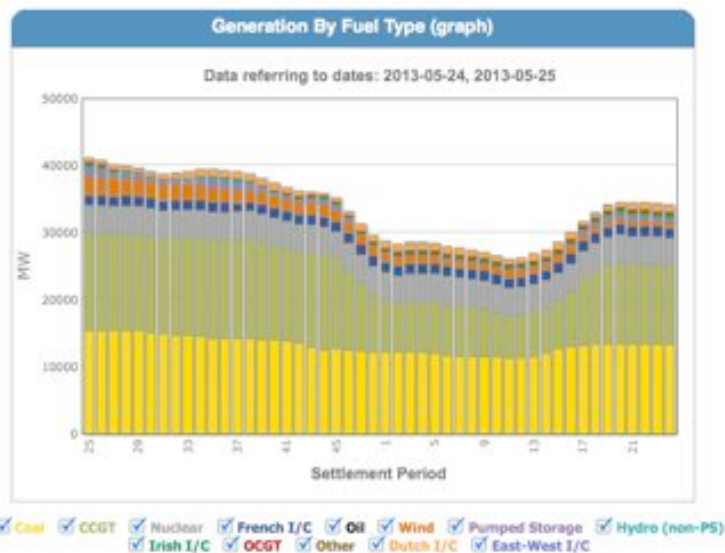
Patagonia is a poignant two-road-movies-for-the-price-of-one tale, set in Argentina and Wales and featuring Duffy and Welsh chapels in deserts. Atmospheric, beautiful Patagonian and Welsh scenery. HSC

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

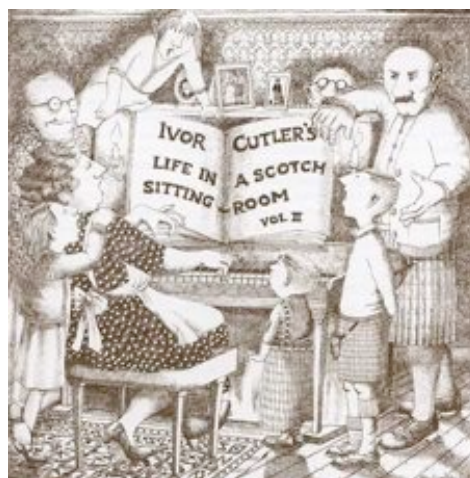
To **Jacob Blue**, who will be 12 on the 19th.

UNMISSABLE ONLINE

Live UK Energy consumption figures



at 30 min intervals, and what fuel was used to generate it. And more. Admirable openness from www.bmreports.com/bsp/bsp_home.htm



Our **Facebook Page of the Month** (4,318 Likes) is **Ivor Cutler**, poet, musician (controversial), John Peel star. But it's auto-generated from Wikipedia – so does it count?

The newsletter is usually distributed on the last Sunday of each month. Send things you'd like to see to Neil Turner, neilturn@gmail.com. The deadline is the 2nd last Sunday.

Read this (and more) online at www.quakerscotland.org/south-edinburgh