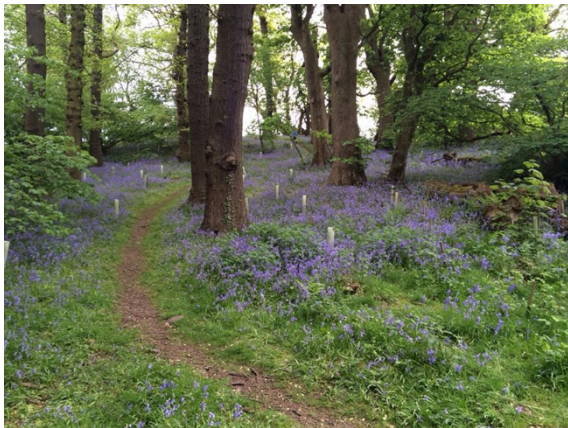




SOUTH EDINBURGH MEETING

June 2014



MEETINGS FOR WORSHIP

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

Every Wednesday at Victoria Terrace: 12.30-1.00.

At Portobello: 1st Sunday at Old Parish Church Bellfield St, EH15 2BP at **7.30 pm** for half an hour; and **2nd 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 **Global Green Grants** which makes small grants (typically £300 to £3,000) to grassroots environmental causes around the world. Deirdre Armstrong will speak to this. www.greengrants.org

LOCAL MEETING EVENTS

Meeting our MSP – Friends have organised a meeting with Jim Eadie MSP at the Scottish Parliament, 11am on **Sat 7th**. Details from David Somervell, Phil Noble or David Turner.

Preparing for Britain Yearly Meeting – 3-5pm on **Sat 7 Jun** at the home of Stasa Morgan-Appel and Sue Sierra.

There will be a **Meeting at Faslane** on **Sun 8th**. Details from Alison Burnley.

General Meeting for Scotland will be held at Central Edinburgh on **Sat 14th Jun**, from 11am (tea/coffee before).

Picnic on Porty Beach – 12.30pm after Meeting on **Sun 29th Jun**. Meet on the beach in front of the Cake Stand (turn R onto the prom at the bottom of Bath St). Weather dependent.

OTHER QUAKER EVENTS

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

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

Rachel Frith 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 on third Sundays at 1pm, Victoria Terrace. If it's on in June, we don't know the book, sorry. Qs to Rachel Frith.

Quaker Art Group – outdoor painting and sketching around Edinburgh and beyond during the Summer. Contact John Fox by phone or at foxarch@btinternet.com.



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No Minutes

Our Meeting for Business in May was cancelled, beating all previous records for concise duration. The next one is on 20th July. Leaving us space for ...

A poem

Written some years ago by Catherine Somerville

Easter holidays

On her last afternoon of freedom
Before school and its examinations
Anna gathers hosts of new-sprung daffodils
beside the Christmas trees
On Chapelhill
with a gentle determination

Then, spreading them on the grass
and kneeling – like some earnest young florist –
she arranges them deftly in four, precisely-cut bundles,
as one by one, her four friends stop
Their noisy banter,
begin to watch, to ask,
to gather round her

‘They’re all for her grandad’s grave’
one of the laddies tells me;
and all at once I feel intensely proud
that Anna is my daughter.

Recommended watching

Sylvia and Deirdre have been enjoying Cinema of Childhood films at the Filmhouse. www.cinemaofchildhood.com or pick up a programme at the Filmhouse. There are a few more through June and you can also stream them at home by paying a bit - very well worth it if you can't get to them at the cinema.

Particularly recommended: *The Bag of Rice*, *The Boot*, *The White Balloon*, *The Unseen*. Not for the fainthearted is *Crows* which Sylvia thinks anyone working with children should see - wonderful but harrowing.

Hugo and Josephine is on this Sunday 1st June at 4pm and Thursday 5th June at 6pm – I've waited 30 years to see it again!

Deirdre Armstrong

NEEDED – MEETING HOUSE OPENING ORGANISER

Someone opens the Open Door each Sunday and sets up for Meeting. Sue Freshwater needs to lay down her role as organiser of this rota. As it's only fixed till 15th June, you could take up post soon!

There are 9 people on the rota at present. Sue can give further details, but please contact David Somervell or Neil Turner if you're able to do this.

Tweeddale Meeting

Is temporarily meeting in different venues over the next 3 months.

June 8th and 22nd – The Bridge, School Brae, Peebles. 10.30 am. The Bridge is situated approximately half way down Peebles High Street, on the left hand side, if you are facing down towards the Parish Church.

July 13th and 27th; Augt 10th and 24th; Sep 14th and 28th –Nomad Beat, 10-11 Cavalry Park, Peebles, EH45 9BU, 10.30am. Unfortunately there is no bus service to Cavalry Park from the centre of Peebles on Sunday, and it is quite a long walk. If you need to have a lift please phone 01721/ 721050 or 01721/722329 before 10.00 am.

And also



MORE NEWS AND DATES

Everyday Mindfulness – on **Tue 17th Jun**, 7pm at St Mark's Unitarian Church, Castle Terrace. Buddhist monastic Br Chan Phap Vu on the practice of Mindfulness, with an opportunity to share a guided meditation, ask questions, followed by tea and biscuits. "An opportunity to look a little more deeply into how we may practise mindfulness in our lives – every day."

Quaker Campers are meeting in the Forest of Dean this year, Sat 26th Jul – Sat 2nd Aug. Booking essential. <http://campers.quaker.eu.org>

Yearly Meeting Gathering is in Bath, **Aug 2-9th**. Preparatory activities will include a meeting on **Sat 7th June** (see front page), and there is a wealth of information at groupspaces.com/QuakerYMG

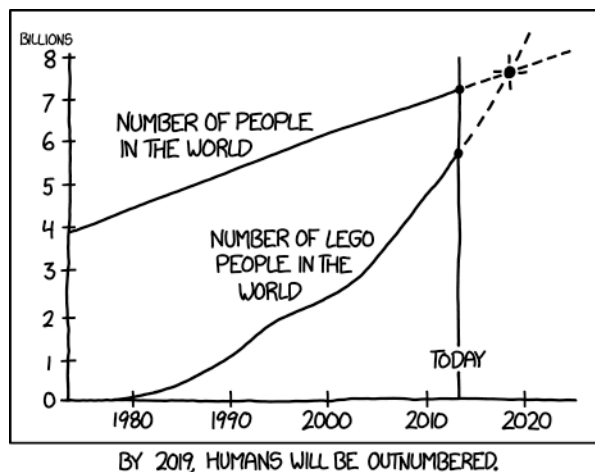
Our **weekend at Wiston** is **5-7th September**. Details and forms can be picked up at meeting but have also been emailed to all on our South Edinburgh email list.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

A very happy birthday to **Jacob Blue**, who will be 13 on the 19th.

CAN'T NOT CLICK

Following up on last month's preoccupation:



xkcd.com

But our **Facebook page of the month** is theoretical only. Should we have a [South Edinburgh/Porty Fbl group?](#) Interested? If so, open or closed? Comments please to Susie Reade or Sandra Riddell.

A new **catalogue of the library at Friends House** is available online and it's impressive, listing not only books but also hundreds of manuscripts, minute books etc. www.quaker.org.uk/cat. Less geeky and more readable is **Quaker Strongrooms**, the blog of the same library, which has many gems and is currently featuring the Friends Ambulance Unit. librarysocietyfriendsblog.wordpress.com

The newsletter is usually distributed on the last Sunday of each month. Send things you'd like to see, e.g. 'needs banana for scale' to neilturn@gmail.com.

The deadline is the 2nd last Sunday, except when it's earlier or later.

Read this and more at quakerscotland.org/south-edinburgh



Tram photos from Lost Edinburgh (Facebook)