

# SOUTH EDINBURGH MEETING

#### October 2016



Jupiter Artland, West Lothian

## **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. Plus 8.00 am for half an hour on Mon and Fri.

**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:** *New! Changed!* 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays at 11am, Fisherrow Centre, South St, Musselburgh EH21 6AT. With children's meeting. Bus stop by Brunton Theatre. *First Sunday evening meetings – t.b.c. but not in Oct.* 

At Broughton St Mary's: 4<sup>th</sup> 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 October is for **Forces Watch**, which challenges the embedding of militarisation in society and scrutinises recruitment practices. David Somervell will speak to this. forceswatch.net

## **LOCAL MEETING EVENTS**

Cakes with Quakers – 3-5pm on Sun 2 Oct. Our contribution to Quaker Week, Oct 1-9.

**Local meeting for business** After Meeting on **Sun 30 Oct**. (*Note date change; was 16 Oct*)

The Testimonies – What's to Like? Meeting for Learning on Sun 6 Nov at the home of Alison Chalmers. We will be thinking of QFP Ch 20 from 20.16 onwards. 12.15-1 shared lunch, finish by 2.15. Led by Catriona and Alison.

#### OTHER QUAKER EVENTS

Faith groups' response to migration crises. Quaker Social Responsibility Group and Scottish Faiths Action for Refugees, Wed 12 Oct 6.30-9pm Quaker Meeting House, Victoria Terrace, EH1 2JL. www.ewjf.org.uk

The **Drop-In Group** 1<sup>st</sup> Monday afternoons, contact Sylvia Massey.

**Singing Group** 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesdays, 7.30pm at Victoria Terrace. Contact Rachel Frith.

Rachel also offers **Coffee at Rachel's** at 10.15 on 1<sup>st</sup> and 3rd Thursdays of each month.

**Edinburgh Women's Interfaith Group** meets on 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays at 7pm. www.edinwig.org.uk.

**Book Group** meets on 4th Sundays at Victoria Terrace after Meeting. Oct, Nan Shepherd *The Living Mountain*. Qs to Rachel Frith.



On the streets of Newcastle

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#### MORE NEWS AND DATES

Quaker Week is 1-9 Oct.

Radical Spirituality: The Early History of Quakers – free online course commences Oct 3 futurelearn.com/courses/quakers (Quaker Week). Watch the video trailer there. Ben Pink Dandelion and Woodbrooke; looks good.

Migration: Challenging Myths; Respond Positively. An afternoon to explore and learn what people in Edinburgh can do in the face of worsening conditions for migrants. Sat 8 Oct 1.30-6.30, Augustine United Church, 41 Geo IV Bridge, EH1 1EL. Part of Edinburgh World Justice Festival. Book at bit.ly/2d6AZQA More about the Festival at www.ewif.org.uk

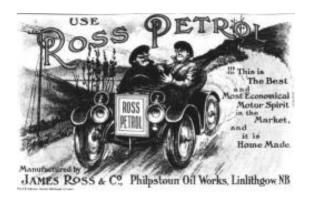
**Family weekend in Pitlochry** at the Youth Hostel, **14-16 Oct**. Contact Madeleine Harding.

Creating a Just Scotland – symposium on land and taxation policies – Quakers Parliamentary Liaison Group, Sat 29 Oct morning 10-12. Edinburgh Independent and Radical book Fair, Out of the Blue Drill Hall, 36 Dalmeny St, EH6 8RG

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Send contributions/ suggestions to neilturn@gmail.com or by postcard exactly 8 days in advance. Electrified delivery? Same address.

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geos.ed.ac.uk/homes/harvieb/bing.html

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

It's a quiet month for those.

### **TIME-HUNGRY INTERNETS**

James Young (Chemist) is our Wikipedia Page of the Month (25 views/day).



Shale bings at Broxburn (Kim Traynor, Wikimedia)

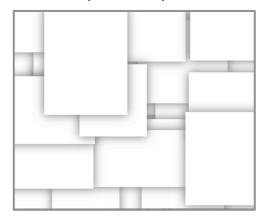
Young was a founder of the oil industry, patenting processes for extracting oil or paraffin from coal (1850) and subsequently West Lothian's shale. Before the internal combustion engine the oil was an alternative to whale oil for lighting, and also used for lubrication and wax. By the 1900s 4,000 men extracted 2 million tons of shale each year. But by the time Grangemouth was built to deal with the output, other sources were less expensive. Some mining continued until 1962.

Now it is suspected that some of the shales beneath West Lothian may hold gas that could be released by 'fracking'.

Young was a friend and substantial backer of explorer and missionary David Livingstone, and funded the statue of Livingstone in Glasgow Cathedral, and of his chemistry professor Thomas Graham in Glasgow's George Square.

Quaker relevance: 22%

Our Facebook Page of the Month is Rafaël Rozendaal (31,000 Likes). At blankwindows.com he has produced the most Quakerly work of art since 4'33". Like the John Cage work, you can alter it to make it your own. Try it.



Quaker relevance: 98%

More about the artist, and his other work at youtu.be/JztgX\_ETdv0?t=20s