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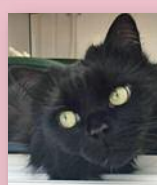


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# Nun Sense

by Sister Liza Vicious OPI

In 1979 three queer men walked into a bar in San Francisco's Castro district dressed as nuns – it sounds like the start of a joke but it was actually the start of one of the largest LGBT+ community-led charitable organisations in the world, The Order of Perpetual Indulgence (OPI).

The Sisters as they became known worked to bring comfort to their community and they became interwoven in the cultural and political fabric of the city itself. In an era defined by counterculture and at times marked by political violence and religious oppression, the Sisters helped pry open spaces of community engagement and outreach.

To set the scene more properly this was in a community struggling through the start of the AIDS crisis, losing friends and family to a disease that seemed to have come from nowhere and facing governments and religious groups who had turned their backs. There are over 35 million people around the world still living with HIV, and since the beginning of the AIDS epidemic at least that many have been lost to AIDS - Many of our community have lost loved ones and friends, and many more live with both the effects and the stigma HIV still unfortunately carries.



Thankfully, however, times have changed - the stigma is less, the deaths fewer, and the treatments better. The treatments are so much better, in fact, that recently the medical profession has stated that "those on effective regular treatment that has reduced their viral load to an undetectable level are now proven not to pass on HIV to sexual partners". In essence, undetectable now means untransmittable.

Thirty-eight years on from that 1979 beginning, on 1st Dec this year twelve members of the order of perpetual indulgence are lucky enough to live in a world that has moved forward enough we walked into a church in Leith at the invitation of both the Church and of Waverley Care (a fantastic charity doing work raising money for HIV and Hepatitis), to attend a vigil for World AIDS Day, and remember all those we have lost to this terrible disease.

In those thirty-eight years the Order has grown across the United states and Europe, with over a thousand members – We have a mission statement and a culture that says we believe all people have a right to express their unique joy and beauty and we use humour and irreverent wit to expose the forces of bigotry, complacency and guilt that chain the human spirit.

Many of you in Edinburgh and other cities around Scotland have no doubt seen us as we go around – the painted face nuns and monks distributing safer sex packs at club nights and LGBT+ events, or seen us brandishing buckets for one charity or another – but we also do so much more:

We have performed gay marriages (even before they



were legal), blessed safe spaces and thrown amazing fundraising events, we have stood as human walls to deflect hate at trans rallies for acceptance and marched in the forefront of prides. We continually campaign against persecution based on gender, sexuality or skin colour and we raise and distribute money to some of the most marginalised people in our society.

We aren't a religious order, we aren't an order of gay men or lesbian women, we're made up of LGBTQ+ persons and allies who want to change the world for the better and we welcome anyone looking to help. Oh.. and we'd love you to come along and join us for a pint and maybe join us in our work.

The Sisters and Brothers of the OPI are part of a world wide order of queer men and women of all sexualities which is open to all who feel the habit. Its tenets are: The expiation of stigmatic guilt and the promulgation of universal joy through habitual manifestation and perpetual perpetration.

[www.thesisters.org.uk](http://www.thesisters.org.uk)

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The Edinburgh convent. Write:  
Mistress of Communications, c/o  
PO Box 666, Edinburgh, EH7 5YW.

[opi@drink.demon.co.uk](mailto:opi@drink.demon.co.uk)  
[Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/OPI.Edinburgh)

## OPI CONVENT OF MORAVIA

The North Eastern convent. Write:  
Sister Bobby OPI, Cairnglass, St  
Combs, Fraserburgh, AB43 8UT.  
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[circushighschool@gmail.com](mailto:circushighschool@gmail.com)

## OPI GLASCHU MISSION

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## Editorial Note

by John Hein



And we're back!

After a year's absence caused by my illness, ScotsGay has returned.

I'd like to thank readers and advertisers for the good wishes I received following my stroke last Nov - a predictable consequence of failing to treat my body like a temple and instead using it as an adventure playground!

Whilst future issues will be regular, it may take a while to get back to the previous monthly cycle, so I'd ask readers and advertisers to bear with us as we come up to speed. In particular, whilst I've tried to revise our listings, inevitably some of these will not be up to date. If you see something wrong or missing, it would be much appreciated if you could let us know [listings@scotsgay.co.uk](mailto:listings@scotsgay.co.uk)

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Write: Unit, GF11, Eric Liddell Centre, 15 Morningside Road, Edinburgh EH10 4DS  
Office: 0131-447 7449.  
[contact@anis.org.uk](mailto:contact@anis.org.uk)  
[www.anis.org.uk](http://www.anis.org.uk)

**BREATHING SPACE**  
Tel: Freeline 0800 838567  
Mon-Thu 6pm-2am, Fri 6pm-Mon 6am (24 hours at weekends).  
[www.breathingspacescotland.co.uk](http://www.breathingspacescotland.co.uk)

**CUMBRIA AND THE BORDERS GAY HELPLINE**  
Tel: Bassenilwaite Lake (01778) 778244  
Nightly 6-9pm.

**LGBT HELPLINE SCOTLAND**  
Tel: 0300 123 2523  
Tue-Wed Noon-9pm.  
Providing info and emotional support to LGBT people and allies throughout Scotland.  
[www.lgbt-helpline-scotland.org.uk](http://www.lgbt-helpline-scotland.org.uk)

**OUTREACH CUMBRIA LGBT TELEPHONE HELPLINE**  
Tel: 0300 1237440 or Freeline 0800 3457440.  
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**RELATIONSHIP HELPLINE**  
Tel: 0800 8022088  
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[www.thespark.org.uk](http://www.thespark.org.uk)

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[www.nhs.uk/whotalkingabout](http://www.nhs.uk/whotalkingabout)

**STOP HATE UK**  
Tel: Freeline 0808 8010661  
24 hours. Information, advice and support for victims and witnesses of LGBT Hate Crime and incidents.  
[www.stopthate.org](http://www.stopthate.org)

**SWITCHBOARD - THE LGBT+ HELPLINE**  
Tel: 0300 3300630  
Daily 10am-10pm.  
[chris@switchboard.lgbt](mailto:chris@switchboard.lgbt)  
[www.switchboard.lgbt](http://www.switchboard.lgbt)

**TERRENCE HIGGINS TRUST**  
Tel: 0800 8021221  
Mon-Fri 10am-8pm.  
The HIV and sexual health charity for life.  
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Independent journal intended to increase awareness of important LGBTQI non-fiction publications. Named in honour of James Morgan Brown, gay Glasgow socialist and comrade of Edward Carpenter.  
[jmbreview@lmsr.org.uk](mailto:jmbreview@lmsr.org.uk)  
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**UNDIVIDING LINES**  
Free twice-yearly LGBT+ magazine from the Highlands and Islands.  
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[www.wtbt.me/UndividingLines](http://www.wtbt.me/UndividingLines)

## NATIONAL ORGANISATIONS

**OUTRIGHT SCOTLAND**  
Scotland's oldest lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender rights organisation. It was founded in 1969 as the Scottish Minorities Group, later became the Scottish Homosexual Rights Group and changed its name to OUTRIGHT SCOTLAND in December 1992. Currently hibernating.

**EQUALITY NETWORK**  
Working for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender equality in Scotland. Write: 30 Bernard Street, Edinburgh, EH6 6PR. Tel: 0131-467 6039. Weekly E-mail and quarterly paper newsletters on LGBT equality campaigns and developments. Regular conferences, forums, and other events. E-mail or write to join the network, free!  
[en@equality-network.org](mailto:en@equality-network.org)  
[www.equality-network.org](http://www.equality-network.org)  
[t:@LGBTScotland](mailto:t:@LGBTScotland)

**LESBIAN ARCHIVE**  
The UK's largest and most significant collection of materials relating to lesbian lives. The collections are based at Glasgow Women's Library, 23 Landressy Street, Glasgow, G40 1BP. Tel: 0141-550 2267.  
[info@womenslibrary.org.uk](http://info@womenslibrary.org.uk)  
[www.womenslibrary.org.uk](http://www.womenslibrary.org.uk)

**PRIDE EDINBURGH**  
Organising the national Pride Scotia March and Edinburgh Pride! Next date: 16th June 2018. Tel: 0131-556 9471. Write: 58a Broughton Street, Edinburgh, EH1 3SA.  
[info@prideedinburgh.org.uk](mailto:info@prideedinburgh.org.uk)  
[www.prideedinburgh.org.uk](http://www.prideedinburgh.org.uk)  
[ft:Pride Edinburgh](mailto:ft:Pride Edinburgh)

**STONEWALL SCOTLAND**  
Stonewall is the UK's leading lesbian, gay, bi and trans equality charity, working for acceptance without exception of all LGBT people everywhere. Write: Mansfield Traquair Centre, 15 Mansfield Place, Edinburgh, EH3 6BB. Tel: 0131-474 8019.  
[info@stonewallscotland.org.uk](http://info@stonewallscotland.org.uk)  
[www.stonewallscotland.org.uk](http://www.stonewallscotland.org.uk)

## LOCAL ORGANISATIONS

### ABERDEENSHIRE:

**Just Be Yourself:** Voluntary run online social support group for LGBT+ people in Aberdeenshire. Aims to provide help and support for LGBT+ people of all ages from family issues to housing, healthcare and employment, etc. Meets last Sun of each month at Cornerstone, 1 Skelton Street, Peterhead, AB42 1HR. Tel: 0330 350 1140.  
[info@justbeyourself.org.uk](mailto:info@justbeyourself.org.uk)  
[www.justbeyourself.org.uk](http://www.justbeyourself.org.uk)  
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### ARGYLL & BUTE:

**LGBT Argyll & Bute:**  
[ft:LGBT Argyll & Bute](mailto:ft:LGBT Argyll & Bute)

### AYRSHIRE:

**NESA (North, East, South Ayrshire)** Social Support Group: Tel: David Bingham on 0141-332 3838.  
[davidbingham@tht.org.uk](mailto:davidbingham@tht.org.uk)

### BORDERS:

**Borders Bisexual Lesbian And Gay Group (BBLAGG):** Organises social and recreational events for LGBT adults living in the Scottish Borders. Events include pub nights, mens' film nights, hillwalks, barbecues and an annual visit to Ireland to take part in North West Pride. Tel: Alistair Lings on Galashiels (01896) 757861 or 07763 850087.  
[alistairlings@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:alistairlings@yahoo.co.uk)  
[ft:Borders Bisexual Lesbian And Gay Group \(BBLAGG\)](mailto:ft:Borders Bisexual Lesbian And Gay Group (BBLAGG))

**Scottish Borders LGBT Equality:** Aims to provide advice and act as a consulting body to all community planning partner organisations and to develop a range of social and recreational activities. Write: PO Box 14120, Selkirk, TD7 5WE.  
[lgbtborders@gmail.com](mailto:lgbtborders@gmail.com)  
[ft:Scottish Borders LGBT Equality Forum](mailto:ft:Scottish Borders LGBT Equality Forum)

### CARLISLE:

**Cumbria Pride:** Annual event.  
[cumbriapride@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:cumbriapride@hotmail.co.uk)  
[www.cumbriapride.org](http://www.cumbriapride.org)  
[ft:Cumbria Pride](mailto:ft:Cumbria Pride)

**LGBTHQ:** 21 Victoria Place. Runs various projects and also offers a free counselling service. The centre is home to Sticky Bits Café where you can get advice and information about all the groups and activities that are happening in the centre and the Carlisle area. See listing in Venues and Emporia for hours. Pride in North Cumbria and Cumbria. Pride also have offices in the centre. For more information Tel: Pam on Carlisle (01228) 267247 or visit their Facebook sites.  
[ft:LGBTHQCarlisle](mailto:ft:LGBTHQCarlisle)  
[ft:Sticky Bits Cafe](mailto:ft:Sticky Bits Cafe)  
[ft:pincumbria](mailto:ft:pincumbria)  
[ft:Cumbria Pride](mailto:ft:Cumbria Pride)

### DUMFRIES:

**D&G LGBT PLUS:** Supports LGBT Plus adults with long term physical and mental health issues, their families and carers. Aims to promote positive health and wellbeing through a range of self-management services including: one to one support, group support, online and telephone support, advocacy, befriending and bespoke courses. Also offers LGBT Plus adults volunteer led one to one support, cognitive behavioural therapy (CBT) and one to one transgender support. Has a face to face and telephone befriending service to support those who cannot attend their services through rurality or isolation issues. Runs a number of LGBT Plus affirming events, group work. Tel: 0800 020 9553.  
[info@lgbtplus.org.uk](http://info@lgbtplus.org.uk)  
[www.lgbtplus.org.uk](http://www.lgbtplus.org.uk)  
[ft:Dumfries and Galloway LGBT Plus](mailto:ft:Dumfries and Galloway LGBT Plus)

**Dundee Pride:** Organising the first Dundee Pride event in 2018.  
[morag@pridedundee.com](mailto:morag@pridedundee.com)  
[ft:DundeePride2018](mailto:ft:DundeePride2018)

### EDINBURGH:

**Bright Light Relationship Counselling:** Scotland's oldest and largest relationship counselling agency promotes the wellbeing and longevity of same sex relationships. 65+ years experience of serving clients in Edinburgh and the Lothians. Tel: 0131-556 1527.  
[askus@bright-light.org.uk](mailto:askus@bright-light.org.uk)  
[www.bright-light.org.uk](http://www.bright-light.org.uk)

**Confidence Café:** New group for LGBT+ people looking to improve their social confidence in a safe, wheelchair accessible, supported space. Tea, coffee and snacks provided. Run by LGBT Health and Wellbeing, takes place 2-4pm at McDonald Road Library, 2-4 McDonald Road, EH7 4LU on 1st Thu of each month. Tel: 0131-652 3283.  
[alison@lgbthealth.org.uk](mailto:alison@lgbthealth.org.uk)

**Edinburgh LGBT Centre:** Owned and managed by Lesbian Gay and Bisexual Community Project Limited, which is registered as a Scottish Charity and as a Scottish Company. Bought in 1974 by the Scottish Minorities Group, it is the only LGBT-owned LGBT Centre in the UK and is also the oldest LGBT Centre outside the USA. Write: Edinburgh LGBT Centre, 58a/60 Broughton Street, Edinburgh, EH1 3SA. Tel: 0131-556 9471. Meeting Room Booking Tel: 07817 533337.  
[info@edinburghlgbtcentre.org.uk](mailto:info@edinburghlgbtcentre.org.uk)

**Unscene Edinburgh:** Scotland's biggest and busiest gay social group, with over 1,400 gay and bi guys organising and enjoying a wide range of social and outdoor events away from the scene. Holds over 100 events each year, most of which are free. Free to join with a social face pass. Uses the Meetup social platform.  
[www.meetup.com/unscene-edinburgh-gay-and-bi-guys](http://www.meetup.com/unscene-edinburgh-gay-and-bi-guys)

### FALKIRK:

**Forth Valley Gay Group:** For gay and bisexual men over the age of 18. An opportunity to meet like-minded men in a safe and supportive environment. Meets in Falkirk on last Wed of each month 6.30-8.30pm. Tel: Michael Harkin on 0141-332 3838 or 07890170688.  
[Michael.harkin@tht.org.uk](mailto:Michael.harkin@tht.org.uk)

### GLASGOW:

**Free Pride Glasgow:** Organises annual free Glasgow pride event.  
[ft:FreePrideGlasgow](mailto:ft:FreePrideGlasgow)  
[t:@freepridegla](mailto:t:@freepridegla)

**Rainbow Spoon LGBT Social Evening:** 2nd Thu of each month at the Spoon Café, 46 Trongate, G1 5ES. Run by and for LGBTQI community members. An informal, welcoming and inclusive space for all LGBTQI identities. Tel: 0141-217 2330.  
[kelly@lgbthealth.org.uk](mailto:kelly@lgbthealth.org.uk)  
[ft:lgbthealth](mailto:ft:lgbthealth)

**Pride Glasgow:** Organises annual Glasgow pride event. Write: 34 St Ennoch Square, Suite 1/1, Glasgow, G1 4DE. Tel: 0844 664 5428.  
[hello@pride.scot](mailto:hello@pride.scot)  
[www.pride.scot](http://www.pride.scot)  
[ft:Pride Glasgow](mailto:ft:Pride Glasgow)

### INVERNESS:

**Highland Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender Forum:** Aims to promote and organise local events where everyone is welcome. Campaigns for the fair treatment of all LGBT people and allies, with many other organisations (locally and nationally). Tel: Inverness (01463) 889110.  
[forum@highlandlgbtforum.scot](mailto:forum@highlandlgbtforum.scot)  
[www.highlandlgbtforum.scot](http://www.highlandlgbtforum.scot)

### MORAY:

**LGBT Moray:** LGBT Moray: Social networking group for LGBT people in Moray. 3rd Sat of each month from 10.30am at The Mosses Tavern, Gordon Street, Forres, N36 1DL. Meet in the back lounge for breakfast, coffee or just a chat. Entrance from the end of the car park. Exclusive group use venue, no entry to the public until Noon. Sorry, over 18's only.  
[lgbtmoray@gmail.co.uk](mailto:lgbtmoray@gmail.co.uk)  
[www.lgbtmoray.co.uk](http://www.lgbtmoray.co.uk)  
[ft:lgbtmoray](mailto:ft:lgbtmoray)

**NORTH HIGHLANDS:** **Calthness LGBTI Social Group:** Calthness LGBTI Social Group: For people, living and working in or visiting Calthness who identify as LGBT or who are questioning their identity. For all ages from 16 years+, regardless of whether married, in a relationship, single, separated, divorced or widowed. Also welcomes the friends and family of LGBT people. Meets 1st Fri of each month from 7-9pm alternating between (even months) The Alexander Bain in Wick and (odd months) Also meets 3rd Sat of every even month at 1pm in John o' Groats - check online for venue.  
[calthnesslgbtgroup@gmail.com](mailto:calthnesslgbtgroup@gmail.com)  
[www.calthnesslgbtsocialgroup.co.uk](http://www.calthnesslgbtsocialgroup.co.uk)  
[ft:Calthness LGBTI Social Group Closed t:@calthnesslgbti](mailto:ft:Calthness LGBTI Social Group Closed t:@calthnesslgbti)

**North Highlands LGBT Social Group:** For people with diverse sexual and gender identities, who are living in or visiting Calthness or the Highlands and Islands. Based in Calthness. Meet 1st Sat of each month for lunch, alternating between Thurso and Wick. Welcomes people who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans, intersex, queer, people who are questioning their identity, and friends, family and allies.  
[northhighlandslgbt@gmail.com](mailto:northhighlandslgbt@gmail.com)  
[northhighlandslgbtweekly.com/](mailto:northhighlandslgbtweekly.com/)  
[ft:northhighlandslgbt](mailto:ft:northhighlandslgbt)  
[t:@nhcalthlgbt](mailto:t:@nhcalthlgbt)

**Shetland LGBT:** Support and social group for LGBT people in Shetland. Organises a number of social events and meetings at various venues in Shetland.  
[shetlandlgbt@gmail.com](mailto:shetlandlgbt@gmail.com)  
[ft:Shetland LGBT](mailto:ft:Shetland LGBT)

**STIRLING & HILLFOOTS:** **Out Here Forth Valley:** Social and support group which has a wide range of diverse people attending (18+). Meets 7-9pm on 1st Mon of each month in Stirling town centre. Tel: Michael Harkin on 07880 170688.  
[michael.harkin@tht.org.uk](mailto:michael.harkin@tht.org.uk)

## WOMEN'S LISTINGS

### CARLISLE:

**Carlisle Women's Group:** Social group for women identifying as LGBT and heterosexual to meet socially, try new things and meet new people. Every second Fri (starting on 11th Mar) 6-8pm. Sticky Bits Café, 21 Victoria Place, Carlisle. Tel: Pam on Carlisle (01228) 267247.  
[stickybitscafe@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:stickybitscafe@hotmail.co.uk)

### DUMFRIES:

**Fabulous Fannies:** Lesbian Social Group. Meets 1st Fri of each month, 8-11pm, Rugman's Hall, 92 Whitesands, Dumfries. Bring a bottle (no bar).  
[fannys2016@gmail.com](mailto:fannys2016@gmail.com)

### DUNDEE:

**Outskirtsocial:** Social group for LGBT women in the East of Scotland. An opportunity for women to make new friends, connect up with existing ones and generally have some fun.  
[lorafesta@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:lorafesta@yahoo.co.uk)  
[ft:Outskirtsocial](mailto:ft:Outskirtsocial)

### EDINBURGH:

**AD Group:** Social group exclusively for lesbians over 40 who have come to terms with their sexuality as lesbians. Meets each month to plan social activities such as cinema, meals out, walks and more.  
[adgroup40@gmail.com](mailto:adgroup40@gmail.com)

**Amazing Gracies Women's Football Club:** Aimed at LGBT and non-LGBT women, meets for a friendly kickabout every Wed (7-8pm) on the outdoor 5-a-side astroturf pitch at Drummond Community High School, 41 Bellevue Place, Edinburgh. A great opportunity for women of any age, fitness level and ability to play football in a welcoming and friendly environment. New players always welcome.  
[amazinggraciesfc@hotmail.com](mailto:amazinggraciesfc@hotmail.com)

**Rubyfruits Edinburgh:** Rubyfruits Edinburgh: For lesbians and bi women. Meets Wed every 2nd Sat after 8pm at Joseph Pearce, 23 Elm Row and 1st Sun of each month anytime after 3pm at The Regent. Widen your social circle, network, plan weekend/eve activities (e.g. walking, cinema, exhibitions) and maybe meet that special someone! Write: [rubbyfruits42@gmail.com](mailto:rubbyfruits42@gmail.com)  
[www.meetup.com/RUBYFRUITS-Scotland-Lesbian-Social-Group](http://www.meetup.com/RUBYFRUITS-Scotland-Lesbian-Social-Group)  
[ft: RUBYFRUITS](mailto:ft: RUBYFRUITS)

**Women's Wellbeing Group:** An inclusive group that offers the chance to meet other LGBT women in a relaxed environment. Chat, information and activities promoting health and wellbeing. The group is open to all LGBT women and we welcome transgender people who primarily identify as women. To stay up to date with the group, including meeting times and locations for outings, Tel: Alison on 0131-652 3283.  
[alison@lgbthealth.org.uk](mailto:alison@lgbthealth.org.uk)

### FIFE:

**File Inbetweeners:** A friendly group of lesbians who meet every 2nd Sat eve from 8pm at The Steadings, Bennachie Road, Kirkcaldy. Informal meeting allows them to chat, have a wee drink and even a game of pool! Arranges social events and link between the Rubyfruits Group in Edinburgh and Outskirts Social in Dundee (hence the group's name).  
[braethedug@btinternet.com](mailto:braethedug@btinternet.com)

### GLASGOW:

**Glasgow Women's Library:** 23 Landressy Street, Glasgow, G40 1BP. Tel: 0141-550 2267. Provides a library, archive, is an Accredited Museum and also houses the UK's national Lesbian Archives. Range of events, courses and other activities delivered through their learning programmes, along with an Adult Literacy and Numeracy Project and Black and Minority Ethnic Women's Project. Check website for more info.  
[info@womenslibrary.org.uk](mailto:info@womenslibrary.org.uk)  
[www.womenslibrary.org.uk](http://www.womenslibrary.org.uk)

**Sandyford:** 2-6 Sandyford Place, Glasgow, G3 7NB. Sandyford provides sexual, reproductive and emotional health services for all lesbian and bisexual women. Tel: 0141-211 8130 for further information on sexual and reproductive services or Tel: 0141-211 6700 for counselling services. All services available at a range of locations throughout NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde area.  
[www.sandyford.org](http://www.sandyford.org)

### INVERNESS:

**Highland Hearts:** Social group for LGBT women based in the Inverness area. Has two or three events each month, an evening dinner, a brunch at Cantray/bridge College, and a walk somewhere. The evening dinner and walk are held in different places just to make things interesting.  
[www.highlandhearts.net](http://www.highlandhearts.net)

### NATIONAL:

**CAMERADERIE LESBIAN PHOTOGRAPHY GROUP** Meets monthly in and around the Towie/Dumfries/Aberdeenshire area, weather permitting.  
[spamd7@yahoo.com](mailto:spamd7@yahoo.com)

**LESBIAN SCOTLAND** Lesbian Guide to Scotland, including links to social groups, sports clubs, support groups and events in different Scottish cities.  
[www.lesbianscotland.uk](http://www.lesbianscotland.uk)

**LILIDOTS LESBIAN WOMEN'S WALKING GROUP SCOTLAND** Walks are held on the last Sun of each month, usually with a 10am start in various parts of Scotland.  
[www.lilidots.co.uk](http://www.lilidots.co.uk)

**SHE** A flexible social group for lesbian women of all ages in Moray and beyond. Meeting at various times, for various events with the aim to suit most lifestyles and abilities. Walking, coffee, meals out, day trips, etc.  
[shelesbiangroup@gmail.com](mailto:shelesbiangroup@gmail.com)  
[www.shelesbiangroup.com](http://www.shelesbiangroup.com)

**YOUNG LESBIANS** See our Youth Groups listings.

## BISEXUALS

**BISCOTLAND** Peer support and social group. A safe space, so meetings are only open to people attracted to more than one gender, or those questioning their sexuality. Meets 1st Tue of each month 7-9pm at THT, Brecknidge House, Third Floor, 274 Sauchiehall Street, Glasgow. Also holds occasional social events, which are open to friends, partners and allies.  
[biscotland15@yahoo.com](mailto:biscotland15@yahoo.com)  
[wordpress.biscotland.org](http://wordpress.biscotland.org)  
[ft:Biscotland](mailto:ft:Biscotland)

**BI AND BEYOND EDINBURGH** Social gathering for people who identify as bisexual and beyond. With organised social activities and refreshments. Whatever your label or lack of label they welcome you! Meets 1st & 3rd Wed of each month 7-9pm at LGBT Health and Wellbeing, 9 Howe Street, Edinburgh.  
[biandbeyonddinburgh@gmail.com](mailto:biandbeyonddinburgh@gmail.com)  
[ft:biandbeyond](mailto:ft:biandbeyond)

**NATIONAL LGBT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HELPLINE** Mon & Thu 10am-8pm, Tue & Wed 10am-5pm, Fri 1-5pm. Tel: 0300 999 5428 or Freeline 0800 999 5428.  
[info@galp.org.uk](mailto:info@galp.org.uk)

**RAPE CRISIS SCOTLAND HELPLINE** Scotland-wide telephone service providing support to women and men experiencing sexual violence, as well as their friends and families. Tel: 07972 139128. (9pm-Midnight).  
[support@rapecrisisScotland.org.uk](mailto:support@rapecrisisScotland.org.uk)  
[www.rapecrisisScotland.org.uk](http://www.rapecrisisScotland.org.uk)

**THRIVE** Counselling service for male survivors of childhood sexual abuse. Write: Sandyford Counselling & Support Services, 2-6 Sandyford Place, Glasgow, G3 7NB. Tel: 0141-211 6700.  
[sandyford@ggc.scot.nhs.uk](mailto:sandyford@ggc.scot.nhs.uk)

## ATHEISTS AND HUMANISTS

**GALHA LGBT HUMANISTS** A section of the British Humanist Association (BHA). Exists to promote humanism to the LGBT community and LGBT rights from a Humanist perspective. Also offers non-religious LGBT people opportunities to meet like-minded people. Join by becoming a member of the BHA and telling them you want to be signed up to GALHA.  
[www.galha.org](http://www.galha.org)

**PINK TRIANGLE TRUST** Gay Humanist charity established in 1992. Promotes the Humanist outlook and LGBT rights. Sponsors a number of LGBT groups including LGBT History Month, Galop (London's anti-LGBT hate crime charity) and Rainbows Across Borders, a supportive and caring group for LGBT people who are seeking refuge from oppressive and brutal regimes. Publishes an online magazine the Pink Humanist. Write: 34 Spring Lane, Kenilworth, Warwickshire, CV8 2HB. Tel: Kenilworth (01926) 858450.  
[secretary@pinktriangle.org.uk](mailto:secretary@pinktriangle.org.uk)  
[www.thepinktriangletrust.com](http://www.thepinktriangletrust.com)

**UNITARIANS IN EDINBURGH** An inclusive community of diverse beliefs which supports the pursuit of individual spirituality. Meets at St Marks', 7 Castle Terrace at 11am on Sun and for Mindfulness Lunchtime at 12.15pm on Tue. Unitarians are pleased to welcome all those who wish a marriage which reflects their own beliefs. Their Ministers and Celebrants are authorised to conduct weddings anywhere in Scotland.  
[minister@edinburgh-unitarians.org.uk](mailto:minister@edinburgh-unitarians.org.uk)  
[www.edinburgh-unitarians.co.uk](http://www.edinburgh-unitarians.co.uk)

## BEARS

**BEARSCOTS** The national group for bears, big boys, their friends and admirers. Glasgow (1st weekend of each month): Bears in the West, Underground Bar, Fri 9pm-1am. Edinburgh (2nd weekend of each month): Bears in the East, Sat 10pm-2am (Check website for venue). BearScots 2017: 5th-8th Oct.  
[info@bearscots.org.uk](mailto:info@bearscots.org.uk)  
[ft: bearscots](mailto:ft: bearscots)

**AUGUSTINE UNITED CHURCH** 41 George IV Bridge, Edinburgh, EH1 1EL. Meets Sun 11am - LGBT people especially welcome. Last Sat of each month 7pm: Our Tribe (LGBT gathering with events and activities and worship).  
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[www.augustine.org.uk](http://www.augustine.org.uk)

**DUMFRIES NORTHWEST CHURCH OF SCOTLAND:** Inclusive and affirming and welcomes LGBT people. Tel: Dumfries (01387) 245964. Write: Dumfries Northwest Church Office, Lochside Road, Dumfries, DG2 0DZ.  
[www.dumfriesnorthwest.org.uk](mailto:www.dumfriesnorthwest.org.uk)

**EVANGELICAL FELLOWSHIP FOR LESBIAN & GAY CHRISTIANS** Lesbian, gay or bisexual? From an Evangelical tradition? So are they. Write: c/o Flat 3, 7 Upper Tollington Park, Finsbury Park, London, N4 3EJ. Tel: 07769 239764.  
[contact@eflgc.org.uk](mailto:contact@eflgc.org.uk)  
[www.eflgc.org](http://www.eflgc.org)

**LESBIAN AND GAY CHRISTIAN MOVEMENT (LGCIM)** UK-based international charity which challenges homophobia and transphobia, especially within the church and faith-based organisations, as well as working to create and praying for an inclusive church. Write: Oxford House, Derbyshire Street, London, E2 6HG. Tel: 020-7739 1249.  
[lga@gmail.com](mailto:lga@gmail.com)  
[www.lga.org.uk](http://www.lga.org.uk)

**LGBT FILM NIGHTS** View LGBT themed and mainstream films in a friendly, social setting. For more info Tel: 0131-523 1104.  
[jules@lgbthealth.org.uk](mailto:jules@lgbthealth.org.uk)

**LGBT HISTORY MONTH SCOTLAND** Increasing the awareness of LGBT people's lives, histories and experiences. Website provides listings for cultural opportunities, events, news items, and resources. If you would like to be involved, volunteer or add information, contact LGBT History Month, 39-40 Commerce Street, Edinburgh, EH6 6HD.  
[www.lgbthistory.org.uk](http://www.lgbthistory.org.uk)

**LOCK UP YOUR DAUGHTERS** Queer arts collective based in Glasgow. Makes films and magazines, as well as hosting screenings and events.  
[info@lockupyourdaughtersmaga.zine.co.uk](mailto:info@lockupyourdaughtersmaga.zine.co.uk)  
[www.lockupyourdaughtersmaga.zine.co.uk](http://www.lockupyourdaughtersmaga.zine.co.uk)

**QUAKER LESBIAN AND GAY FELLOWSHIP** Welcoming and supportive national group for people of all sexual orientations and their friends.  
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[www.qlgf.org.uk](http://www.qlgf.org.uk)

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[ft:QueerLGBTFellowshipUK](mailto:ft:QueerLGBTFellowshipUK)

**QUEST** Organisation for lesbian and gay Catholics. Monthly meetings are held in different regional groups throughout Britain. Scottish meetings held in Glasgow. Quest Linkline - The Helpline for Gay and Lesbian Catholics - Tel: 0300 1231989. Write: BM Box 2585, LONDON, WC1N 3XX.  
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# Glasgow

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Happy December. Let's start with introductions shall we?

My name is Cameron and I will be one of your new correspondents for Glasgow. Whether you see me in the adult store **Luke and Jack**, promoting Healthy Sex Positivity or donning my nun attire as *Novice Pammy Taville* (member of the Order of Pertpetual Indulgence:Glasgow) I will be here to keep you up-to-date with the goings on around pubs, clubs and societies within the community. First off, let's dive in with the World AIDS Day events that went on around the city on 1st Dec.

**Terrence Higgins Trust** hosted a #SeeRed event at Glasgow Caledonian University along with the **Glasgow Frontrunners** team promoting Safer Sexual Practices and collecting for charity. Later that evening they held their annual WAD gathering at their Glasgow branch with Glasgow- Positive Voices' *Scott Agnew*. The **Polo Lounge** had a tremendous live performance, "A



*Nashville Nativity*" created by the unmistakably talented queen *Lacy Rain*. Afterwards the club did some fundraising on behalf of THT for World AIDS Day.

**Speak Easy** was blessed with the talents of *Bella Houston* and *DJ Will*. **Delmonica's** collected donations with the evening led by *DJ Andy*.

Down at the **Waterloo**, to celebrate the appearance of *Steps* at the Hydro, they were due to have a pre-party on 7th Dec with *DJ Paul* playing all their hits. So many events, so little time. And with the festive season nearly upon us most venues are starting to prepare for work nights out, Xmas jumpers and antler head bands.

**Katie's Bar** on 12th Dec will have the exotic styling of Allsorts Cabaret. Hosts *Markee De Saw* and *Miss Innocence Bliss* giving a "Delectable December" with festive dance and song, as well as a raffle. Best of luck!!! Santa will no doubt see who's been naughty and who's been nice at **DILF:GLASGOW's** Xmas Party is on the 16th of the month at The Poetry Club.

20th of December let's get the party started at **NiceNSleazy** with **QUEER THEORY: GENDER TROUBLE!** Hosted by Boris Gay. There will be an eclectic range of music from Black Doves, Acolyte and Alternative Cracks. Drag from the femme fatale Tom Harlow, poetry, performance art and comedy. No matter the venue, they'll have you covered all through Dec from Xmas right up to Hogmanay. Check out their Facebook pages for further details.

# Films To Know About

by Mike McGrath



**GOD'S OWN COUNTRY** (15) is the most impressive gay movie I have ever seen (Pic above). First time writer/director Francis Lee had grown up on a Yorkshire farm deciding at 20 to go to London to train as an actor. Calling himself simply a jobbing actor in TV plays for decades he felt nobody had ever made a movie about farm life with authenticity. He got himself a job in a scrapyard to make money while writing a film script. Because of his youth you believe every foot of his film.

Age has made Johnny's father an invalid so running the farm needed help. They employ a Romanian, Gheorghe who by chance is also gay, and an electricity between them happens. There are aspects of farm life which are included that make you forget they are actors which is why Francis Lee's first directing job is brilliant. It helps the two leading men are very desirable. Either at a cinema or on DVD you must not miss it.

**CALL ME BY YOUR NAME** (15) has been lucky as film critics are tired of looking at 90 per cent of new films that are inadequate and gave it rave reviews. Based on a novel of the same name set in 1983 Italy 17 year old Elio meets thirtyish Oliver, an academic who has come to stay at his parent's villa as a student of Elio's father, a professor. In magnificent country locations they fall in love. The leads have great sex appeal but it is 132 minutes and only about 20 are devoted to their affair. Clearly the Italian director doesn't have the expertise of Francis Lee.

There are millions including me who feel Oscar Wilde's plays first produced in the 1890's are the most entertaining ever written. They are revived constantly and four produced at London's Vaudeville Theatre have been filmed by a very imaginative company to be shown for one night at 27 cinemas in Scotland in the coming months. Instead of waiting for ads at your local the dates can be

found on the internet at [OscarWildecinema.com](http://OscarWildecinema.com) or phoning More2Screen at 020 7806 6219. If stage productions never come your way you must see on film **THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING EARNEST, AN IDEAL HUSBAND, A WOMAN OF NO IMPORTANCE** and **LADY WINDERMERE'S FAN**.

## DVD WORLD

Peccadillo Pictures sometimes import the most memorable foreign films and one is **BODY ELECTRIC** set in Brazil (below left). It is the opposite of a travelogue set surprisingly in a clothing factory detailing the many lives at work and play.

To make up for the fact there is very little sunshine and sandy beaches the leading man is stunning and has refreshing sexual dialogue about his love life.

You are too young and lovely to have heard of Diana Dors who in the fifties and sixties was the show business blonde bombshell rivaling Marilyn Monroe in Hollywood, but where Marilyn lacked confidence Di was bursting with it. Her husband Denis Hamilton promoted her brilliantly with publicity getting the top pinup photographers to focus on her and there were even her most erotic pictures in the Diana Dors magazine in 3D sold with glasses, She happened to be a superb actor but the only film that showed it was **YIELD TO THE NIGHT** however a murderess in prison with no blonde hair dye available was not box office. Fortunately she was an efficient singer and her act in the sexiest gowns available toured theatres and night clubs between films.

Her second husband was comedian Dicky Dawson whom she had two sons by taking them to Hollywood to make the two worst films ever made **I MARRIED A WOMAN** and **THE UNHOLY WIFE**. Returning to make a film she left the sons with him. At a party she met a struggling pop singer, Troy Dante, who must have had what it takes in bed as although he was a compulsive gambler she kept him for over four years.

Sending money to Dicky to keep the boys she imported them just for holidays.

While acting in a TV play actor Alan Lake caught her eye whom she married not knowing he was an alcoholic. In a pub during an argument he was so violent he got an 18 month prison sentence. As she was the most amusing conversationalist in the country I enjoyed seeing her and after his release he was playing snooker next door with a friend sometimes staggering in to talk to us. She smiled at me saying "Have you ever fancied an animal?" I said I was sure I had but would have got it out of the system as soon as possible. She laughed "My problem is I married it."

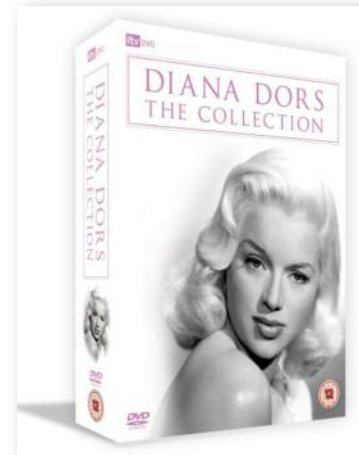
She died at 52 in 1984. Soon after Alan Lake committed suicide with a shotgun.

Shopping Direct has a box set of the Diana Dors collection on 7 discs that has 6 of her British films plus a documentary about her extraordinary life.

**MISS SAIGON** was one of the most successful stage musicals written by the couple who wrote the equally successful **LES MISERABLES**. A stage version was filmed to celebrate the 25th anniversary that is now on a Universal DVD.

It is an updated version of the opera *Madam Butterfly* transferred to the Vietnam war where a US soldier falls for a local girl.

This is a double disc with the second one showing rehearsals that has a giant helicopter onstage.



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# Art for Artsake



Welcome to another edition, it's great to be back in solid hard copy! The big news is we are now digital! All our reviews, previews and news can be viewed on [www.scotsgayarts.com](http://www.scotsgayarts.com) and we are doing our best to ensure reviews appear as soon as possible after seeing a production. Also we now have a dedicated twitter so send us all your arts Goss direct to @ScotGayArts and you can read all our thoughts on the productions we are seeing and recommending. Now let's go round up this month's bumper clutch of productions, news and Reviews!

## Sunset Boulevard, Playhouse Theatre Edinburgh:

Andrew Lloyd Webber's undeniable masterpiece of filmic composition will always be Sunset Boulevard. Telling the story of faded silent movie star Norma Desmond (the utterly divine Ria Jones) who longs to reclaim her stardom when studio writer Joe Gillis (a sparkling and on form Danny Mac) happens upon her mansion thus leading to a story of love, forgotten dreams, broken hearts and lives forever changed.

The show came to life in 1992 in Webber's Sydmonet festival with then unknown Ria Jones performing the role of "Norma" to great success but due to her youth she never travelled to Broadway or the West End with the production. Fast forward 25 years and following a stint covering for Glenn Close in the Colosseum's famed 2016 production, the original star Ria Jones returns to reclaim the greatest role of all and succeeds in style. Jones performs with consummate grace with a voice that soars around the splendor of the auditorium, especially during numbers such as "With one look" and "As if we never said goodbye". She grips the audience with her utter conviction as Norma, her's is the Ms. Desmond for all time, played with style and class she grips from the off and never let's go until the rousing standing ovation she richly deserves.

Danny Mac also delivers spectacularly, imbuing Gillis with wisdom, corruption and honest the role demands and possess a powerful voice and stunning body to boot.

Completed by a strong supporting cast, a stunning set that literally dances across the stage and a large 16-piece orchestra, Director Nikolai Foster has delivered the most awe-inspiring production of the show to date.

The entire company should be commended for taking a true West End calibre production on the road, that quite rightly brings the audiences to their feet at the end of every performance and teaches us all new ways to dream! Truly unmissable theatre doesn't come any better! Go See!

**The Curve Theatre Presents "Sunset Boulevard". Edinburgh Playhouse Theatre, Run ended. Production visits Glasgow Theatre Royal from 28th May 2018.**

## Duet for One, Kings Theatre Edinburgh:

Tom Kempinski's two hander play, Duet for one is part physiological drama and part human tale. Telling the story of Stephanie (Belinda Lang) who is a virtuoso violinist struggling to cope with toll of MS and is now using a wheel chair forcing her to abandon her life's work. Unable to cope she begins therapy with shrink Dr Feldmann (Oliver Cotton) leading to revelations of the soul and finding hope in the unlikely places.

This is a focused production that takes full concentration on the script heavy dialogue that Belinda Lang excels in delivering, creating emotional high and low points with aplomb none more so that when she vents frustration at her failing body. Oliver Cotton delivers a performance so strong you simply forget he is acting and you totally believe in the Doctor before you. A wonderful achievement.

Director Robin Lefevre has carved an engrossing production that moves the audience to deep contemplation, however the editing of the script could have been more ruthless to remove needless additional dialog and length which would have tightened up the entire production in a snappy affair. As it is this is endlessly watchable affair of the human condition and one well worth seeing.

**The Birmingham Rep Theatre Presents: Duet for One. King's Theatre Edinburgh, run ended. New tour dates to be announced.**

## Son of a Preacher Man, The Kings Theatre Edinburgh:

Sometimes I'm often left wondering just how a musical so bad can make it to the stage, never mind a full national tour, Son of a preacher man the musical is just one of those productions. With a frankly lacklustre book by Warner Brown, telling the confused story of a music shop, the titular son of a

preacher man, long since transformed into a coffee shop but run by the son of the music shop owner Simon (performed wonderfully by Ian Reddington). It's supposed to be a look back at the good old days in London's iconic Carnaby Street by those who were there and now living in a modern world where it all seemed so much better then. It's also coupled by a modern day will they won't they love story featuring Kat (an indisposed Diana Vickers was replaced with a strong performance from Jess Barker).

This is a complete misfire of a show, throwing plot lines drawn from any soap opera script including the token gay couple for no other effect than to pad out the plot as opposed to developing the storyline to any great effect.

This is purely a writing failure, direction from Craig Revel Horwood is typical of his style deploying Actor/Musicians to deliver the show's saving grace the music of Dusty Springfield although they rely heavily on "The Look of Love" which just keeps reappearing in various versions throughout the show to the point you're exhausted hearing it from over use.

The cast deliver excellently on what's asked from them and the music of Dusty stands the test of time coupled with great lighting and a functional touring set that glows in all the right places. However, with a shoddy script you're stuck before you even let the curtain rise. This show could have been so much more, but for those who adore Dusty Springfield's music, this will be a night in the theatre you'll appreciate and if you can work out the story you'll earn a real sense of achievement.

**"Son of A Preacher Man" King's Theatre Edinburgh, Run Ended, Production visits Glasgow King's Theatre from 7th May 2018 and Aberdeen Her Majesty's Theatre from June 18th, 2018.**

## The Kite Runner, King's Theatre Edinburgh:

Following a sell out West End run, the critically acclaimed "The Kite Runner" embarks on a national tour, telling the story of Amir, a young boy from the Wazir Akbar Khan district of Kabul, whose closest friend is Hassan. The story is set against a backdrop of tumultuous events, from the fall of Afghanistan's monarchy through the Soviet military intervention, the exodus of refugees

by Brett Herriot

to Pakistan and the United States, and the rise of the Taliban regime.

This is a deeply human and emotional tale of humanity stretched to its limit and the power that keeping secrets often leads to such shattering consequences that we all question how can we make the differences in our lives to stop it every happening to us personally.

David Amir performs the role of Amir with a rare tenacity that sweeps you along on the journey of the story with ease coupled with an outstanding supporting cast none more so than the sublime Jo Ben Ayed as Hassan and later in the play as Hassan's son Sohrab its true tour de force of acting skill and should be rightly applauded as so.

This is a play which will engross, transcend and capture its audience from the off and director Giles Croft and his entire team should feel so proud for pushing the boundaries of dramatic theatre across culture and people. This is indeed the must-see drama production of the type and as we gaze skyward as the wind blows the leaves from the autumn trees we look above at the kites on the horizon and ponder when do we start running for them. Go see this production and be forever changed.

**UK Productions and Flying Entertainment present: The Kite Runner. King's Theatre Edinburgh. Production visits Aberdeen Her Majesty's Theatre from May 15th, 2018.**

## Trainspotting, King's Theatre Edinburgh:

Irvine Welsh's seminal story of an Edinburgh of the late 80's and early 90's beset with the scourge of drug addiction and the ensuing AIDS epidemic was based as much in the reality of the time as it is the fiction of the characters of Renton, Sickboy, Spud and Begbie.

Harry Gibson's original adaption was produced by Glasgow's Citizens Theatre in 1993 and the Citz has brought a brand-new production to life and it delivers in spades. Utilizing a small cast, a stunning decaying set of a housing estate that Edinburgh is trying hard to eradicate from the landscape and a rough, punchy and often thought-provoking script this is a stark reminder of the power of Welsh's words.

Leading the cast is Lorn McDonald as Mark Renton who delivers a punchy and human take on the narrative character never more so than during the "Choose Life" speech in which he rails with the anger, injustice and ultimately hope of his situation, it's a performance to be commended.

Director Gareth Nicholls clearly understands the material and the landscape that is Trainspotting but the decision to use such a small cast does not always work in favour of the production as Martin McCormick plays Begbie, Mother Superior and other smaller parts that simply dilutes his impact although his Begbie is suitably insane enough for anyone to believe he is clearly unhinged.

With a stylish musical soundscape, this is a brave production that turns back the hands of time to a generation who may have lost practically everything but always had enough hope to make the decision to choose life.

In the post T2 landscape this is an important reminder of a play which transcended Scottish theatre and its impact continues to be felt, truly unmissable drama, choose life, choose Trainspotting.

**Citizens Theatre Glasgow and Selladoor Scotland present: Trainspotting. King's Theatre. Glasgow and Edinburgh Run Ended.**

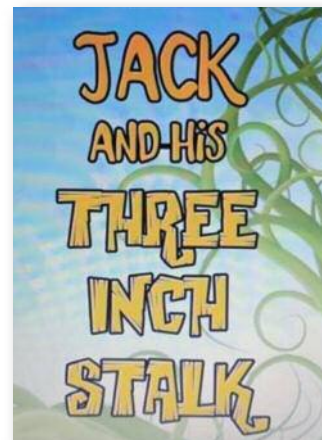


Craig Cunningham

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Well hello Aberdeen, long time no see. Hope you are well and feeling suitably festive after having all seen through Hallowe'en and Guy Fawkes' Night. I'm feeling the festive spirit and do love a good Xmas tune! Thankfully, we are just one week away from legitimately being allowed to blast the tunes constantly and guilt free; shamelessly I've been doing it for the last month already but I'm a hardcore Xmas lover!

Anyhoo, if you're hitting the gym, laying off the booze to shed an extra pound or two or even just to be healthy in the run up to Xmas then good on you! If not, then the New



Graham Begg

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At Klozet Bar, Paul and his team are having a busy time and recently welcomed Carol as assistant manager. There's karaoke every Wed and Fri with Miss T.

Over the festive period, *Scarlet Diamonte* will be appearing on Sat 23rd Dec whilst Xmas Night will be in the capable hands of DJ Ross and the bar will be open from Noon-2.30am on Xmas Day. Hogmanay will feature karaoke disco.



Year's Resolution will be waiting for you around the corner. If you're accepting your dietary doom by Xmas, that is an equally palpable alternative. Genuinely cannot wait for the gluttony, I'm such a pig.

**Diamonte Productions'** Xmas show this year is *Jack and His Three Inch Stalk* which has sold out completely so if you managed to get tickets I hope you thoroughly enjoy it, if you didn't, hard cheese. Should be a great laugh as always, just rubbing it to those who didn't get tickets, hehe. While I have your attention may I just get an amen for the fact that Star Wars: The Last Jedi is only but weeks from release? I'm so excited and currently some of my Xmas Spirit is being stolen by the dark side; no regrets.

Don't forget to pay the Xmas Market in town a visit, might pick up something nice for that special someone... or yourself, I won't judge. Also don't miss out on the Fireballs down in Stonehaven this Hogmanay if you don't have plans already! They're a great experience. Hopefully see you all around town over the festive period but if I don't, have a Merry Xmas, a Happy New Year and may the Force be with you.

# Aberdeen obar dheadhainn



# Dundee dun deagh



**The Salty Dog** is still under the management of Ross whose team are doing a great job especially with the popular *Salty Sunday Club* that features a different theme each week.

**Pout Nightclub** has seen Dean and his staff move in over the road in St Andrew's Street following the closure of the old club at the end of last year. It's another busy wee place and is open from Wed-Sun.

Preparations for **Dundee Pride** are steaming ahead with regular meetings of organisers. Tim Kelly and Thomas Small have recently been appointed as voluntary Pride Co-Chairs to lead the work of the new LGBT+ charity and develop their team of amazing volunteers. Pride Secretary is Morag Beattie and Pride Treasurer is Joe Nicholson.

If you would like to be involved, get in touch with them via their Facebook page [f DundeePride2018](https://www.facebook.com/DundeePride2018) or E-mail [✉ Morag@dundeepride.com](mailto:Morag@dundeepride.com)



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**LOUD & PROUD**  
Scotland's LGBT community choir. Led by Karen Dietz, it was formed in 2005 and has approximately 60 members. The repertoire, which is sung mostly a cappella, includes simple rounds, world music, festive and seasonal songs, popular music, traditional music, lesbian/gay anthems, and show tunes. Performs regularly, and meets weekly for rehearsals in Edinburgh.  
[info@loudandproudchoir.org](mailto:info@loudandproudchoir.org)  
[www.loudandproudchoir.org](http://www.loudandproudchoir.org)

**LUVVIES THEATRE COMPANY**  
Edinburgh based LGBT theatre company, which aims to give LGBT people the opportunity to act, direct, produce or organise theatre or take part in any aspect of the creative process. No previous experience is necessary.  
[secretary@theluvvies.org](mailto:secretary@theluvvies.org)  
[www.theluvvies.org](http://www.theluvvies.org)

**OURSTORY SCOTLAND**  
A charity which works to collect, archive and present the life stories and experiences of the LGBT community in Scotland. If you have any story to tell or experiences to share, or would like to find out more about their upcoming programme of events, then please contact them. Write: OurStory Scotland, Archives and Special Collections, The Mitchell Library, North Street, Glasgow, G3 7DN.  
[info@ourstoryscotland.org.uk](http://info@ourstoryscotland.org.uk)  
[www.ourstoryscotland.org.uk](http://www.ourstoryscotland.org.uk)

**OUTSPOKEN ARTS SCOTLAND**  
Focuses on equality, arts and communities of interest. New name for Glasgow and Galla Scotland Ltd. Write: Outspeak Arts Scotland Limited, 27-29 Trongate, Glasgow, G1 5EZ. Tel: 0141-552 7575. Fax: 0141-548 5157.  
[contact@outspeakarts.org](mailto:contact@outspeakarts.org)  
[www.outspeakarts.org](http://www.outspeakarts.org)  
[outspeakartsSC](http://outspeakartsSC)  
[t@outspeakartsSC](mailto:t@outspeakartsSC)

**REMEMBER WHEN PROJECT**  
Documenting the collective history of Edinburgh's LGBT communities, recording life stories and personal memories across the generations, and celebrating our rich and varied contributions to the quality of life in the city. The culmination of this work was an exhibition entitled 'Rainbow City: Stories from Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Edinburgh' held at the City Art Centre in 2006. Write: Remember When Project, c/o The Living Memory Association, The Stables, 64/1 The Causeway, Edinburgh, EH15 3PZ. Tel: 0131-553 4580, and leave a message, stating clearly that it is for Remember When.  
[miles@livingmemory.org.uk](mailto:miles@livingmemory.org.uk)

FETISH

**MSC SCOTLAND**  
A social club for men interested in Leather, Rubber, Uniform, and related scenes. Write: PO Box 28, Edinburgh, EH3 5JL.  
[secretary@msc-scotland.net](mailto:secretary@msc-scotland.net)

HEALTH AND ABILITIES

**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS**  
Whilst AA runs the following LGBT meetings in Edinburgh and Glasgow, please note that it is a non restrictive organisation and LGBT people are welcome at any meeting.  
AA Edinburgh: Tue 8pm (Edinburgh Peace and Justice Resource Centre, St John's Church, Princes Street). Please note that the last meeting of the month is open to non AA members.  
AA Glasgow: Tue 7.30pm (Spoon Café, 46 Trongate). Fri 7.30pm (The Ogilvie Centre, 25 Rose Street).  
AA National: Helpline: 0845 3697555 (24 hours). Northern Service Office: 0141-226 2214.  
[www.alcoholicsanonymous.org.uk](http://www.alcoholicsanonymous.org.uk)

**BROWNLEE CENTRE (GLASGOW)**  
Garnavel General Hospital, 1053 Great Western Road, Glasgow, G12 0YN. Confidential information, advice, counselling and direct access testing for HIV, Hepatitis and Syphilis. The Centre provides ongoing medical and social care for people with HIV infection, plus psychological and

emotional support for people living with HIV and Hepatitis C infections, as well as to one counselling for people at risk of HIV. Tel: 0141-211 1074 or 0141-211 1075. Mon-Thu 9am-5pm, Tue-5-6.30pm, Fri 9am-4.30pm.  
[brownlee@gccscot.nhs.uk](mailto:brownlee@gccscot.nhs.uk)  
[enquiries@mht.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@mht.org.uk)  
[www.brownlee.org](http://www.brownlee.org)

**FOUR PILLARS**  
2 Exchange Street, Aberdeen, AB11 6PH. Tel: 01224 637389. Four Pillars stands for four vital aspects of people's well-being: 1-2-1 support, advice and free condoms and lube. Mon-Fri 5-7.30pm - c/o Leith Treatment Community Centre. Main entrance on the Ground Floor, Junction Place, Edinburgh, EH6 6JQ. Free patient parking to the rear. Tue: 10am-1pm - c/o Galskields Health Centre, Currie Road, Galskields, TD1 2UA. Free patient parking to the side. 2-7.30pm - c/o Waverley Care SX Hub, Entrance double doors on the left, 1 Mansfield Place, Edinburgh, EH3 6NB. Wed: 1.30-7.30pm - c/o Whitburn Health Centre, 1 Waverley Lane, Whitburn, EH47 0SD. Free patient parking to the rear. Thu: Sauna Outdoors - c/o No18 - 3-5pm & Steamworks - 6-8pm, Fri: 1.30-3.30pm - c/o Craigroyston Health Centre, 18 Pennywell Rd, Edinburgh, EH4 4PH. Free patient parking to the front. Tel: 0131-536 1773 or 07774 628227.  
[enquiries@roam-outreach.com](mailto:enquiries@roam-outreach.com)  
[www.roam-outreach.com](http://www.roam-outreach.com)

**HIV-AIDS CAREERS AND FAMILIES SERVICE PROVIDER SCOTLAND**  
10 Elderspark Workspace, 100 Elderspark Street, Glasgow, G51 3TR. Mon-Fri 10am-5pm. Telephone Support Service: 07901 507512 Mon-Fri 7pm-10pm. Tel: 0141-446 8797.  
[hiv-aids\\_careers@nmeone.net](mailto:hiv-aids_careers@nmeone.net)  
[www.hiv-aids-careers.org.uk](http://www.hiv-aids-careers.org.uk)

**HIV SCOTLAND**  
18 York Place, Edinburgh, EH1 3EP. Tel: 0131-558 3713. The national policy organisation for HIV in Scotland. Speaks out for all people living and at risk of HIV in Scotland and works to ensure that all relevant policies are grounded in evidence and the lived experience of people living with and affected by HIV.  
[info@hivscotland.com](mailto:info@hivscotland.com)  
[www.hivscotland.com](http://www.hivscotland.com)

**THE JANEK LATOSINSKI CHARITABLE TRUST**  
Can offer grants to individuals and to organisations related to people living with HIV in Glasgow and the West of Scotland. See website for more details and for how to contact.  
[www.jlct.org.uk](http://www.jlct.org.uk)

**LGBT HEADSPACE**  
Safe, confidential, and free activities to promote positive mental health and wellbeing. One to one information and support by appointment also available. Run by LGBT Health and Wellbeing, 9 Howe St, Edinburgh, Tel: 0131-652 3283.  
[alsen@lgbthealth.org.uk](mailto:alsen@lgbthealth.org.uk)

**LGBT HEALTH & WELLBEING**  
9 Howe Street, Edinburgh, EH3 6TE. Tel: 0131-523 1100. 12 Queen's Crescent, Glasgow, G4 9AS. Tel: 0141-271 2330. A unique community initiative that promotes the health, wellbeing and equality of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) people in Scotland. They provide a range of services and varied programme of events, most delivered in central locations in Edinburgh, Glasgow and Fife.  
[admin@lgbthealth.org.uk](mailto:admin@lgbthealth.org.uk)  
[www.lgbthealth.org.uk](http://www.lgbthealth.org.uk)

**SEX**  
SX Hub, 3 Mansfield Place, Edinburgh, EH3 6NB. New project providing a one-stop shop for men's health needs including information and advice on sex and relationships and access to regular sexually transmitted infection (STI) testing, condoms and lubricant. In addition SX will provide one-to-one support, counselling and a helpline dealing with a range of issues including sexual and mental health, discrimination and other health and social inequalities. Tel: 0131-652 3250.  
[info@sexscot](mailto:info@sexscot)  
[www.sexscot](http://www.sexscot)  
[ft:sexscotland](mailto:ft:sexscotland)  
[t@sexscotland](mailto:t@sexscotland)

**MEN TAYGETHER**  
Social group for gay and bisexual men with HIV in Tayside. Meets Dundee 1st Wed of each month 6-8pm. Tel: 07880 12047.  
[kevin.ditcham@nht.org.uk](mailto:kevin.ditcham@nht.org.uk)

**MEN UNITED @ THF**  
Social and support group for gay and bisexual men living with HIV. Meets at THF Office, 134 Douglas Street, Glasgow, G2 4HF. on Thu eve from 7-9pm. Tel: David Bingham on 0141-332 3838.  
[davidbingham@thf.org.uk](mailto:davidbingham@thf.org.uk)  
[www.positivehopedinburghuk](http://www.positivehopedinburghuk)

**NUMBER 6:**  
24 Hill Street, Edinburgh, EH2 3JZ. One-Stop Shop for adults with High-Functioning Autism & Asperger Syndrome. LGBT group meets occasionally. Tel: Kim Maxwell on 0131-220 1075.  
[kimmaxwell@scotlandand.org](mailto:kimmaxwell@scotlandand.org)

**POSITIVE HELP:**  
First Floor, 139 George Street, Edinburgh, EH2 4JY. Practical help for people who are infected or affected by HIV/AIDS and Hepatitis C in Edinburgh, their families and carers. Tel: 0131-225 4766.  
[admin@positivehopedinburgh.co.uk](mailto:admin@positivehopedinburgh.co.uk)  
[www.positivehopedinburgh.co.uk](http://www.positivehopedinburgh.co.uk)

**TERRENCE HIGGINS TRUST SCOTLAND - ABERDEEN**  
2a Rose Street, Aberdeen, AB10 1UA. HIV and Hepatitis C support services in Grampian, Tayside and Highland. Support & Advocacy Service provides a full range of welfare rights advice and representation as well as community support for people living with blood borne viruses. Please contact for further details. Volunteers welcome! Tel: 07769 408209.  
[carinastrachan@tht.org.uk](mailto:carinastrachan@tht.org.uk)  
[www.tht.org.uk/scotland](http://www.tht.org.uk/scotland)

**TERRENCE HIGGINS TRUST SCOTLAND - DUMFRIES**  
Heather Lodge, Sexual Health D&G NHS Dumfries & Galloway, Nithbank, Dumfries, DG1 2SD. Supports the sexual health needs of men who have sex with men and the wider LGBT community. Tel: 07436 108070.  
[Johnathon.Gallagher@tht.org.uk](mailto:Johnathon.Gallagher@tht.org.uk)  
[www.tht.org.uk/scotland](http://www.tht.org.uk/scotland)

**TERRENCE HIGGINS TRUST SCOTLAND - DUNDEE**  
Swan House, Explorer Road, Dundee, DD2 1GB. HIV prevention and support services in the East of Scotland including Tayside, Fife and Forth Valley. Support and advocacy services, such as Confidential Families and Financial Futures, provide a full range of welfare rights advice and representation as well as community support for people living with blood borne viruses including their friends and family. Also provides a range of health promotion services for gay and bisexual men living in Tayside. Rapid HIV testing clinic every Wed eve, drop-in 6-8pm. Please contact for further details. Volunteers welcome! Tel: Dundee (01382) 561839. Helpline: THF Direct 0808 8021221 Mon-Fri 10am-8pm.  
[info@dundee.tht.org.uk](mailto:info@dundee.tht.org.uk)  
[www.tht.org.uk/scotland](http://www.tht.org.uk/scotland)

**WAVERLEY CARE**  
Waverley Care is Scotland's HIV and Hepatitis C charity - providing Scotland wide services with locations in Edinburgh Glasgow, Kircaldy, Stirling and Inverness. Their work is focused on prevention, education, testing and support and they're here to support anyone affected by HIV or Hepatitis C in whatever way they need. They can provide clear information and advice, support people to access testing and treatment and provide access to one-to-one, group and peer support. Tel: 0131-558 1425 (Mon-Fri, 9am-5pm) or 0131-441 6889 (24 hours, 7 days per week). Write: 3 Mansfield Place, Edinburgh, EH3 6NB.  
[www.waverleycare.org](http://www.waverleycare.org)  
[ft:WaverleyCareFifePage](mailto:ft:WaverleyCareFifePage)  
[t@WaverleyCare](mailto:t@WaverleyCare)

**STEVE RETSON PROJECT**  
Sandyford Central, 2-6 Sandyford Place, Glasgow, G3 7NB. Specialist sexual health service for gay and bisexual men. Provides sexual and emotional health services that are supportive, non judgmental and sensitive to men's needs. All services are free of charge and confidential. You can make an appointment for any of their clinics without having to see your GP first. Clinics run Mon-Wed 5pm-8pm - for appointments call 0141-211 8628 or 0141 211 8130. Thu testing only clinic 4.30-7pm - no appointment needed.  
[www.steveretsonproject.org.uk](mailto:www.steveretsonproject.org.uk)  
[t@steveretson](mailto:t@steveretson)

**OPi CONVENT OF DUNN EIDIANEN**  
The Edinburgh convent. Write: Mistress of Communications, c/o PO Box 666, Edinburgh, EH7 5YW.  
[op@thinkdemon.co.uk](mailto:op@thinkdemon.co.uk)  
[ft:OPiEdinburgh](mailto:ft:OPiEdinburgh)

**OPi CONVENT OF MORAVIA**  
The North Eastern convent. Write: Sister Bobby OPi, Cairnglass, St Combs, Fraserburgh, AB43 8UT. Tel: 07539 896345.  
[circushighschool@gmail.com](mailto:circushighschool@gmail.com)

**OPi GLASGOW MISSION**  
The Mission to Glasgow. Instagram: @glasgowmissionsofpi  
[ft:GlasgowSistersOfPi](mailto:ft:GlasgowSistersOfPi)

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[ft:GlasgowSistersOfPi](mailto:ft:GlasgowSistersOfPi)

**REAL ALE**  
Lesbian and Gay Real Ale Drinkers  
The Edinburgh group of CAMRA's Task Group for LGBT real ale and older fans. Meets in The Regent on the last Mon of each month from 9pm to 10pm to sample the brewers' art. Tel: Karen on 0131-557 8790.  
[lagrad@thinkdemon.co.uk](mailto:lagrad@thinkdemon.co.uk)  
[www.lagrad@thinkdemon.co.uk](mailto:www.lagrad@thinkdemon.co.uk)

**RESIDENTIAL EVENTS**  
EDWARD CARPENTER COMMUNITY OF GAY MEN  
Committed to principles of caring, trusting, personal growth, sharing, and creativity aimed at nurturing community as an alternative to the commercial scene. Organises Gay Men's Weeks and shorter events each year in SW Scotland, the English Lake District and other venues EOC. c/o Steve Brown, Laurieston Hall, Galloway, Dumfries and Galloway, DG1 2NB.  
[contact@cecc@gmail.com](mailto:contact@cecc@gmail.com)  
[edwardcarpentercommunity.org.uk](mailto:edwardcarpentercommunity.org.uk)

**EDINBURGH RAINBOW FAMILIES**  
Quarterly events for anyone looking to meet other LGBT parents, share experiences and socialise in a family setting. Tel: Jules Barnes on 0131-523 1104.  
[jules@lgbthealth.org.uk](mailto:jules@lgbthealth.org.uk)

**GAY DADS SCOTLAND**  
Support group for gay fathers. Meets on last Thu of each month (except Dec) in a private room in Edinburgh LGBT Centre, 58a Broughton Street, Assemble in Café Nom de Plume first from 8pm - look out for sign on table. Gay dads from all over Scotland welcome.  
[info@gaydads-scotland.org.uk](mailto:info@gaydads-scotland.org.uk)  
[www.gaydads-scotland.org.uk](http://www.gaydads-scotland.org.uk)

**GLASGOW RAINBOW FAMILIES**  
Quarterly events for anyone looking to meet other LGBT parents, share experiences and socialise in a family setting. Tel: Benn Benjamin on 0141-271 2330.  
[benn@lgbthealth.org.uk](mailto:benn@lgbthealth.org.uk)

**DOOR FAMILY ROCKS**  
Dundee located informal social group for LGBT families. Aims to provide a safe, inclusive space for 'us and our bairns' to take part in fun outdoor activities, creative classes, music, food and laughter and above all make new pals.  
[ft:OurFamilyRocks](mailto:ft:OurFamilyRocks)

**PARENTS' ENQUIRY SCOTLAND**  
Coming out? Information and support for parents of LGBT people. Helpline and admin: Tel: 0131-556 6047 before 9pm. Write: c/o ScotsGay Magazine, PO Box 666, Edinburgh, EH7 5YW.  
[parentsenquiry@hotmail.com](mailto:parentsenquiry@hotmail.com)  
[www.parentsenquiry-scotland.org](http://www.parentsenquiry-scotland.org)

**LIBERAL PARTY LESBIAN AND GAY CAMPAIGN**  
Tel: 0151-259 5835 (Telephone Answering Machine). Write: 41 Sutton Street, Liverpool, L13 7EG.  
[lbgay@libpartydemon.co.uk](mailto:lbgay@libpartydemon.co.uk)  
[www.liberal.org.uk](http://www.liberal.org.uk)

**SCOTTISH LIBERAL DEMOCRATS FOR LGBT EQUALITY**  
Tel: 0131-337 2314. Write: 4 Clifton Terrace, Edinburgh, EH12 5DR.  
[hq@scottlibdems.org.uk](mailto:hq@scottlibdems.org.uk)  
[www.scottlibdems.org.uk](mailto:www.scottlibdems.org.uk)  
[t@scottlibdems](mailto:t@scottlibdems)

**GAY BIRDBERS CLUB**  
For LGBT Birdwatchers. [contact@gbc-online.org.uk](mailto:contact@gbc-online.org.uk)  
[www.gbc-online.org.uk](http://www.gbc-online.org.uk)

**GAY CARAVAN & MOTORHOME CLUB**  
For men and women. Regular meets throughout the UK.  
[gomnewletter@hotmail.com](mailto:gomnewletter@hotmail.com)  
[www.thegomc.co.uk](http://www.thegomc.co.uk)

**GAY FOOTBALL SUPPORTERS NETWORK**  
Write: GFSN Membership Secretary, PO Box 7424, Milton Keynes, MK9 9MQ. Tel: Barry on Milton Keynes (01908) 564085. Scottish Contact: Kevin Rowe - Tel: 07808 263173 or [kewrowe2@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:kewrowe2@yahoo.co.uk)  
[www.gfsn.org.uk](http://www.gfsn.org.uk)

**GLASGOW ALPHAS RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB**  
Inclusive rugby club based in Glasgow. Offers a comfortable and supportive environment for all who wish to socialise or even develop skills within rugby union. All players of all experience levels are welcome to join (+18). Constantly looking for sponsorship and support.  
[glasgowalphas@gmail.com](mailto:glasgowalphas@gmail.com)  
[www.pitchero.co.uk/clubs/glasgowalphas](http://www.pitchero.co.uk/clubs/glasgowalphas)  
[ft:glasgowalphas](mailto:ft:glasgowalphas)  
[t@GlasgowAlphas](mailto:t@GlasgowAlphas)

**GLASGOW FRONTINNERS**  
Glasgow's road-running group for the LGBT+ community and friends. Has runs for all abilities (from walk/jog to marathon) at 6:15pm on Thu and 10:30am on Sun. Run from the Arc gym at Glasgow Caledonian University. [secretary@glasgowfrontinners.org](mailto:secretary@glasgowfrontinners.org)  
[www.GlasgowFrontinners.org](http://www.GlasgowFrontinners.org)  
[ft:GlasgowFrontinners](mailto:ft:GlasgowFrontinners)

**HOTSCOTS**  
Scotland's very first LGBT club for football players and fans alike. Holds regular training sessions every weekly at Knockouts Sports Complex and Kickabouts every Fri eve, also at Saughton. Would love to hear from anyone who would like to take part. Competes weekly for the UK national gay league but all ability levels are welcome, and the social side is just as important as the playing. So what are you waiting for?  
[mail@hotscotscf.com](mailto:mail@hotscotscf.com)  
[www.hotscotscf.com](http://www.hotscotscf.com)  
[ft:Hotscotscf](mailto:ft:Hotscotscf)

**KNOCKOUT LGBT BOXING CLUB**  
Offers safe and friendly training sessions for LGBT folk and friends.  
[knockoutglasgow@gmail.com](mailto:knockoutglasgow@gmail.com)  
[ft:knockoutglasgow](mailto:ft:knockoutglasgow)

**LEAP SPORTS**  
National organisation created to increase the visibility and participation of LGBT people in Scottish sport and physical activity. If you are interested in trying a new sport, finding out what opportunities are available near you, or even starting your own club, they can help. Website provides a directory of all affiliated LGBT sports clubs in Scotland, with meeting times and contact information. Also runs a range of sporting events and festivals throughout the year for LGBT people and their friends.  
[info@leapsports.org](mailto:info@leapsports.org)  
[www.leapsports.org](http://www.leapsports.org)

**DUMFRIES:**  
TG Times: Social and support group for transgender people, those questioning their gender identity or cross-dressing. Tel: 07547 157718.  
[support@tgtpubus.org.uk](mailto:support@tgtpubus.org.uk)  
[www.tgtpubus.org.uk](http://www.tgtpubus.org.uk)  
[ft:Dumfries and Galloway LGBT Plus](mailto:ft:Dumfries and Galloway LGBT Plus)

**EDINBURGH:**  
Edinburgh Trans Women: Support group for transsexual women. Meets 1st Sat of each month 7.30-9.30pm in LGBT Centre for Health and Wellbeing, 9 Howe Street.  
[info@edinburghtranswomen.org.uk](mailto:info@edinburghtranswomen.org.uk)  
[www.edinburghtranswomen.org.uk](http://www.edinburghtranswomen.org.uk)

**LOTHIAN Transgender Support Service:** LTSP is for anyone who self-identifies as trans\* and/or non-binary. This holistic programme of support includes the T monthly e-bulletin, information and 1:1 support, new referral appointments, managing transition courses, confidence building workshops and regular T time social events. You do not have to be based in Lothian to access LTSP but please be aware that events, courses and workshops are delivered in Edinburgh. For events, workshops and T Monthly, Tel: Jules on 0131-523 1104. For information and 1:1 support, Tel: George on 0131-652 3281.  
[jules@lgbthealth.org.uk](mailto:jules@lgbthealth.org.uk)  
[george@lgbthealth.org.uk](mailto:george@lgbthealth.org.uk)

**SHUTTLESOTS BADMINTON CLUB**  
Friendly and relaxed group of mixed ability players, including beginners. Meets 7-9pm every Tue at Meadowbank Stadium, Edinburgh with a coach on hand every other week and doubles social play in between. The club is a great opportunity to meet new

people, make friends and get some exercise.  
[info@shuttlesots.co.uk](mailto:info@shuttlesots.co.uk)  
[www.shuttlesots.co.uk](http://www.shuttlesots.co.uk)

**TEAM SCOTLAND BADMINTON CLUB**  
Glasgow based gay and lesbian badminton club meets Sun Noon-2pm at National Badminton Academy, Scotstoun for competitive games. International tournaments and matches against clubs in London and Europe are held annually. Sorry - no beginners. Tel: Raymond on 0141-778 9220.

**FILE TRANS SOCIAL GROUP:** Monthly drop-in social event for the transgender community on last Sat of each month. Provides a safe and sociable setting for the transgender community to meet friends, find out about information and support for trans people and enjoy fun and informative activities. There's space to change for those who need it. Tel: Diane on 07508 608699.  
[diane@lgbthealth.org.uk](mailto:diane@lgbthealth.org.uk)

**GLASGOW:**  
Glasgow Transgender Support Service: For anyone who self-identifies as trans\* and/or non-binary. This holistic programme of support includes the T monthly e-bulletin, information and 1:1 support, new referral appointments, managing transition courses, confidence building workshops and regular T time social events. You do not have to be based in Glasgow to access GTSP but please be aware that events, courses and workshops are delivered in Glasgow. Tel: Katrina Mitchell on 0141-271 2330.  
[katrina@lgbthealth.org.uk](mailto:katrina@lgbthealth.org.uk)

**TRANS MASCUINE SCOTLAND**  
Support group run by and for the trans masculine community. Welcomes all trans masculine (including non binary) folks aged 16+ who were assigned female at birth or socialised as female. Monthly meetings currently alternate between Edinburgh and Glasgow but they also participate in events and discussions throughout the country. Contact to hear more about events or to sign up to secret Facebook group.  
[transmasculinescotland@gmail.com](mailto:transmasculinescotland@gmail.com)

**ARGYLL & BUTE:**  
Waverley Care Argyll & Bute: One to one support for people living in Argyll & Bute who are trans or exploring their gender identity. Occasional peer support too! Tel: Tel: Katrina on 07760 701308.  
[katrina.mitchell@waverleycare.org](mailto:katrina.mitchell@waverleycare.org)  
[www.waverleycare.org](http://www.waverleycare.org)

**SWANS OF SCOTLAND:** Meets last Thu of each month from 7-9pm at Beaufort Hotel, 11 Culduthel Road.  
[swansofscotland@gmail.com](mailto:swansofscotland@gmail.com)  
[waverleycare.org](mailto:waverleycare.org)  
[SwansOfScotland](http://SwansOfScotland)

**PERTH:**  
Perth Trans Group: Meets 1st Sat of each month at 7pm at Grampian Hotel, York Place, Perth.  
[kate4851@hotmail.com](mailto:kate4851@hotmail.com)

**STIRLING:**  
Central Scotland Transgender Group: Meets 2nd Sat of each month.  
[sarah\\_m\\_whyte@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:sarah_m_whyte@yahoo.co.uk)

**TRANSSEXUAL YOUTH**  
See our Youth listings.

**WORKPLACE**  
EIS LGBT+ NETWORK  
46 Moray Place, Edinburgh, EH3 6BH. Tel: 0131-225 6244. Membership is open to all EIS members, whether identifying as LGBT+ or as an ally for equality. Contact: Jenny Kemp, National Officer (Education and Equality) - [jkemp@eis.org.uk](mailto:jkemp@eis.org.uk)  
[www.eis.org.uk/Equality/LGBT.htm](http://www.eis.org.uk/Equality/LGBT.htm)

**EX-PAT**  
On-line group (with aspirations to becoming a supportive community) for gay men in Scotland who have spent period(s) abroad (ie. ex-volunteers and ex-service-men) who are looking for support, connecting with family and making new friends on return. Depending on response, meetings may be arranged.  
[royalscot34@hotmail.com](mailto:royalscot34@hotmail.com)

**FIRE BRIGADES UNION**  
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[PCarbery@fbu.org.uk](mailto:PCarbery@fbu.org.uk)  
[www.fbu.org.uk](http://www.fbu.org.uk)

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[www.gaspcotland.com](http://www.gaspcotland.com)

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[drewduffy@gmb.org.uk](mailto:drewduffy@gmb.org.uk)

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[www.pcsproud.org.uk](http://www.pcsproud.org.uk)

**RGU LGBT+ STAFF NETWORK**  
Staff network for all LGBT+ employees at Robert Gordon University, Aberdeen. Organises a monthly catch up on campus and a monthly social event.  
[lgbtstaffnetwork@rgu.ac.uk](mailto:lgbtstaffnetwork@rgu.ac.uk)

**UNISON**  
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YOUTH

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LGBT YOUTH SCOTLAND  
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[www.lgbtyouth.org.uk](http://www.lgbtyouth.org.uk)  
[ft:lgbty](mailto:ft:lgbty)

**ABERDEEN:**  
Zone Youth: LGBT group for people aged under 26.  
[zoneyouth@aberdeencity.gov.uk](mailto:zoneyouth@aberdeencity.gov.uk)  
[ft:zoneyouthuk](mailto:ft:zoneyouthuk)

**ARGYLL & BUTE**  
Waverley Care and LGBT Youth are planning a brand new LGBT group for young people in Argyll & Bute! Their goal is to create a safe, friendly and confidential environment for young people where they can meet new friends, get involved in projects, get support and advice, but most importantly have a laugh. But first...they really need your views! Take their quick online survey and let them know what sort of group you'd like in your area. Tel: Tel: Katrina on 07760 701308.  
[katrina.mitchell@waverleycare.org](mailto:katrina.mitchell@waverleycare.org)  
[gao@AbtpSm](mailto:gao@AbtpSm)

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[info@lgbtyouth.org.uk](mailto:info@lgbtyouth.org.uk)

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Looking for a woman for fun, friendship and maybe more. Likes Game of Thrones, wine, walks in the country and tattoos. Box SG18022.

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Friendly, sane(ish) English female living in the Borders and working (full time) in Edinburgh. Love good food/music/travel and require motivation for enjoyable exercise. Box SG18011.

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I have recently moved back to Edinburgh and am looking to get back into the social scene and meet new people. I am easy going, into various music, books and movies etc. If you are at a loose end why not get in touch and let's go for a coffee

(and cake - I like cake)... Box SG18014.

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45 years of age, I am a slim intelligent as-ertive crime novelist. I am seeking a lesbian/bisexual lady aged 30-60 for a casual/long-term loving relationship. My interests include rock climbing, alpine skiing, dining out, homemaking, civilian/military transport and... cats. Box SG18004.

## MEN

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Glasgow, 65 transvestite seeks pleasant guy for good times. Tel: 07738 763948 or Write: Box SG18005.

### Edinburgh

Mature guy looking for fun with guy(s) aged 16-26 - probably at my place in Central Edinburgh. Nothing complicated: love not required although mutual respect is a must. One off is good, so is longer term fuck buddy. I'm mostly active but can be versatile if that's what really works for you. Safer fun only - no barebacking. And a kiss or cuddle can be

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### Looking For Sir

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Tall guy looking for muscled male for NSA discreet meets in Edinburgh.Box SG18013.

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47 year old sub leather guy, seeks dom leather guy/s for that experience. Love

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48 year Fife male looking for mature older men to dom. I don't mind hairy or smooth. 5'7". Get in touch guys. Live alone and hope to hear from you. Box SG18018.

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Young 58, seeks son/nephew type (16-26) for mutually relaxing fun relationship. Box SG18019.

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### Looking For Love

Grizzly hairy skinhead guy, 37, looking for

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Mid sixties. Well hung. Cut. Seeking similar age group. Must be well hung. Discreet. Like wearing briefs. Teasing. Sucking. Perhaps more. Box SG18036.

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36, 5'7", 11 stone, brown eyes and hair, total bbk top, smoker, coffee-addict, lover of Family Guy and Celebrity Juice, love rugby thighs. Generous, likes to cuddle, into politics and current affairs, sensitive, monogamous, down to earth, takes people as he finds them, prefers nights in to out. Seeks committed relationship with mature, patient similar 24-40. Box SG18037.

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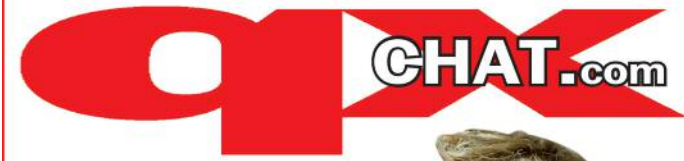
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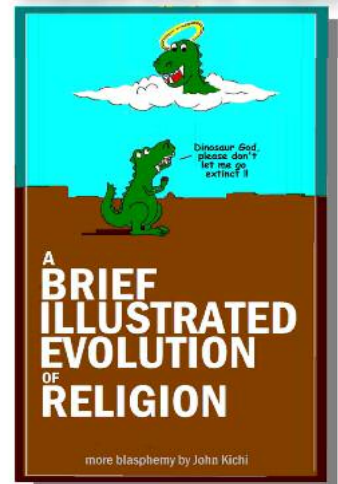
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**fr:** info@edinburghlgbtcentre.org.uk

**GHQ\***  
4 Picardy Place. Tel: 07841 475142. Sun 11pm-3am, Wed-Thu 11pm-3am, Fri 10pm-3am, Sat 10pm-3am. Large LGBT club.  
**fr:** www.ghqedi.com  
**fr:** ghqedi

**LGBT HEALTH & WELLBEING\***  
9 Howe Street. Tel: 0131-523 1100. LGBT community centre in the heart of the New Town offering a range of events, courses and activities. Provides meeting space for community groups. Rooms available for hire for meetings and training.  
**fr:** admin@lgbthealth.org.uk  
**fr:** www.lgbthealth.org.uk

**PLANET\***  
6 Baxter's Place. Tel: 0131-556 5551. 1pm-1am. Popular and busy gay bar with friendly staff. Karaoke Sun-Thu from 9pm. Nightly DJ.  
**fr:** planetgaybar@googlemail.com

**Q-STORE**  
5 Barony Street. Tel/Fax: 0131-477 4756. Mon-Fri 11am-7pm, Sat 11am-6pm. Scotland's only licensed gay store.

**THE RABBIT HOLE\***  
C.C. Blooms, 23-24 Greenside Place. Tel: 0131-556 9331. Tue 11pm-3am. Weekly drag show with Alice Rabbit and guests.  
**fr:** TheRabbit-holeDragShow

**THE REGENT\***  
2 Montrose Terrace. Tel: 0131-661 8198. Sun 12.30pm-1am.

**DEL MONICA'S BAR\***  
68 Virginia Street. Tel: 0141-552 4803. Noon-Midnight. DJs nightly from 9pm. Thu: Quiz. Sun: Karaoke.  
**fr:** www.delmonicas.co.uk

**DILF**  
The Poetry Club, 100 Eastvale Place. Tel: 0141-337 1731. Monthly - check Facebook or Website for dates. 10.30pm-3am. Sweaty dance party aimed at gay men, featuring a mix of house music fused with 'techy uplifting tunes'.  
**fr:** www.dilf.uk  
**fr:** DILFScotland

**FETISH GEAR FOR HIRE\***  
5 Oswald Street. Tel: 0141-404 0001. Sun Noon-5am, Mon-Sat 11am-7pm (DILF Sat until 8pm). Hire and retail of fetish clothing.  
**fr:** www.fetishgearforhire.com

**THE GALLERY\***  
101 Brunswick Street. Part of the Old Sheriff Court Building. Tel: 0141-552 6310. 11am-Midnight. New and upmarket bistro/bar, clean cut, contemporary with a relaxed atmosphere. Live entertainment, large selection of wines, beers, spirits, teas, coffees, food and homebakes available. Free Wi-Fi. External seating area.  
**fr:** merchant.galleryglasgow

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5-10 Metropole Lane. Tel: 0141-552 5502. Mon-Tue Noon-11pm, Wed-Thu Noon-1am, Fri Noon - Sun 11pm (24hours). Men's Health and Leisure Club. Usual facilities. £14 (£10 concs).  
**fr:** www.thepipeworks.com

**POLO LOUNGE\***  
84 Wilson Street. Tel: 0141-553 1221. Sun 9pm-3am, Mon 11pm-3am (Club X only), Tue 10pm-3am, Wed 7pm-3am, Thu-Sat 11pm-3am. Long established pub/club. Young crowd.  
**fr:** www.pologlasgow.co.uk

**THE RIDING ROOM\***  
The Joint On The Corner, 58

**WOODLAND CREATURES\***  
260-262 Leith Walk. Tel: 0131-629 5509. Noon-1pm. Quirky LGBT-friendly real ale bar with good food.  
**fr:** Woodland-Creatures

**AXM CLUB\***  
80 Glassford Street. Tel: 0141-552 5761. Wed-Sun 10pm-3am. Popular club in former Bennets premises.  
**fr:** info@axm-club.com  
**fr:** www.axmgroup.co.uk/  
**fr:** axm-club-glasgow/

**BROADCAST\***  
427 Sauchiehall Street. Tel: 0141-332 7304. Sun-Wed 4pm-1am, Thu - Fri 4pm-3am, Sat Noon-3am. Scene friendly bar.  
**fr:** www.broadcastglasgow.com

**CCA\***  
350 Sauchiehall Street. Tel: 0141-352 4900. Fax: 0141-332 3226. Saramago Café Bar Tel: 0141-352 4920. Box Office: Mon-Sat 10am-6pm, Sun Noon-6pm. Gallery: Tue-Sat 11am-6pm, Sun Noon-6pm. Saramago Café Bar: Mon-Thu 10am-Midnight, Fri-Sat 10am-1am, Sun Noon-Midnight. The Centre for Contemporary Arts is Glasgow's hub for the arts. Their year-round programme includes exhibitions, film, music, literature, spoken word, festivals, Gaelic and performance. ScotsGay available in bar.  
**fr:** gen@cca-glasgow.com  
**fr:** www.cca-glasgow.com

**LUKE & JACK ADULT BOUTIQUE\***  
45 Virginia Street. Tel: 0141-552 5699. Mon-Thu 11am-6pm, Fri-Sat 10.30am-6.30pm, Sun Noon-5pm. Locally owned and independent. Sells aromas, toys, lubes, magazines and books, underwear, T-shirts, gifts, etc.  
**fr:** hello@lukeandjack.co.uk  
**fr:** www.lukeandjack.co.uk

**MERCHANT PRIDE**  
20 Candleriggs. Tel: 0141-564 1285. Sun 12.30pm-Midnight, Mon-Fri 4pm-Midnight, Sat Noon-Midnight. Bar in the heart of the Merchant City.  
**fr:** MerchantPride

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**fr:** www.thepipeworks.com

**KATIE'S BAR\***  
17 John Street. Tel: 0141-237 3030. Noon-Midnight. Gay bar with regular entertainment.  
**fr:** info@katiesbar.co.uk

**THE WATERLOO\***  
306 Argyle Street. Tel: 0141-248 7216. Sun 12.30pm-Midnight, Mon-Sat Noon-Midnight.

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