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SPOOKY, SCARY & SEASONAL

Halloween is approaching and I have highlighted some spooky and other seasonal events and activities in our "Things To Do" feature pages.

And continuing the scary theme, the safety of the Roseburn path and Edinburgh Tram debate has been continuing with a decision by the Council's Transport Committee. Cycle campaign group Spokes have now weighed in on the topic and more can be found on the News feature pages. Use of the Roseburn Path for a tram extension was something I campaigned against during my Scottish Election campaign and Conservatives on the Council remain the only Group to steadfastly reject the extension as a £3Bil fantasy.

We have an update from Craigleith Blackhall Community Council. Print deadlines mean the information is always a month behind but I am keen to promote the great community work they do and the regular item should, at least give readers a decent idea of the kinds of topics they cover. I really encourage everyone to go along to meetings whenever possible. I have attended several and usually find them very interesting, particularly to hear from your elected City Councillors who appear to be regular attenders.

Finally, please do leaf through the pages and note the new advertisers including Council initiatives to invest in Communities and Shared Repairs, for St Serf's Players, Buyrite bathrooms, and Health for Life (on the Back Cover) for spine related wellness. If there are services or businesses you think helpful but not here, let me know and I will try to find some for future issues.

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(Editor)

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Here is a summary of some of the main articles reported by a range of media outlets online and that relate to our local area for Blackhall, Silverknowes, Craigleith, Ravelston & Orchard Brae



Natasha Kitty Kat, a **DJ from Blackhall** has turned the city's dark history into a gothic electronic album and set for a Halloween release. Her band "Auld Reekie Nocturne" has recorded an 8 track album called "The Stone Tape Confessions"



An **RNLI crew was dispatched to Silverknowes** after a man jumped into the water to rescue a stranded Bernese Mountain dog reported ***EdinburghLive***

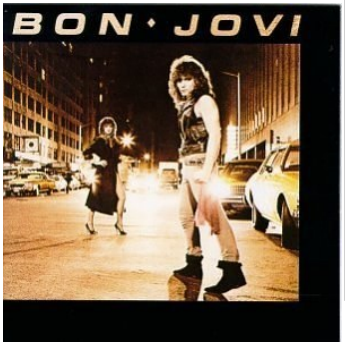
Emergency services were called to Orchard Road, near at around 2.25pm on Thursday, September 3, following a two-vehicle collision. Images in ***The Daily Record*** from the scene showed a white car lying on its roof in the middle of the road.



Photo from Fife Jammer Locations

Several papers including ***Herald, Scotsman and The Times*** reported on The **Mary Erskine School, Stewart's Melville College and ESMS Junior School uniting** under one shared institution for children aged three to 18. The merger comes as fee-paying schools face significant financial pressures.

Rock Band Bon Jovi recently played at Murrayfield



requiring extensive road closures and **parking restriction right up to Ravelston Dykes** according to a report in ***The Scotsman.***

An Edinburgh cycle campaign group has found majority support from its members for the **Roseburn Path and Orchard Brae tram options** reports ***The Herald Scotland***.



More than 200 members of Spokes took part in a survey organised by the association, which asked cyclists for their thoughts about the proposed tram route to Granton. - The Council also had a debate on the issue (see opposite)



The council will prioritise extending the city's tram network to the south, after a row over a proposed northern route according to the ***BBC***. Councillors voted against the link between Princes Street and Granton via the **Roseburn Path following a campaign by local residents**. Conservatives want the entire project abandoned because of £3bil costs while other parties want to explore other route options.



Planned roadworks in the area

SILVERKNOWES ROAD	Road closure between Silverknowes Parkway and Marine Drive for road reconstruction	01/10/25 - Early Oct
CAMMO ROAD	Temporary Traffic lights Cammo Gardens to accommodate site compound for development works	19/05/26 - 12/26
MAIN STREET, DAVIDSON'S MAINS	2-way temporary traffic lights between Silverknowes Road South and Davidson Gardens for Scottish Water lead renewal	29/10/26 - 12/11/26
CRAMOND ROAD NORTH	Temporary traffic lights and 20mph restriction at Cramond Road South for Scottish Water Combined Sewer Overflow	09/10/26 - Oct 27

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The Stone Tape Confessions

October 31st

The Stone Tape Confessions is a gothic electronic concept album by the project "Auld Reekie Nocturne" fronted by Blackhall DJ Natasha Kitty Kat and Scheduled for release on 31st Oct through Shadowrunner Recording. The album blends driving analogue synths, techno beats, and cavernous echoes to explore the darker, hidden history of Edinburgh.

something of interest and want to join in, please do some of your own research and contact the organisation in plenty of time to make sure the event is still on and the details are accurate.

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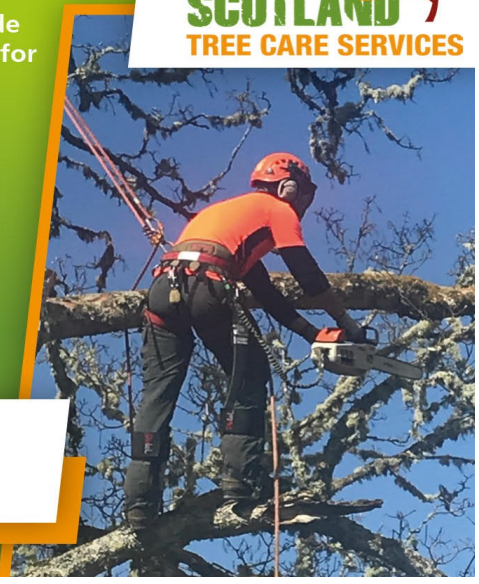


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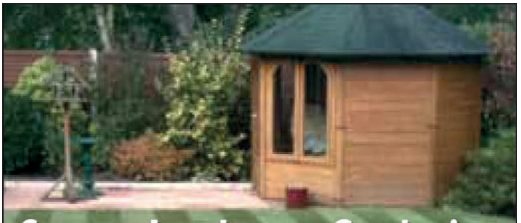
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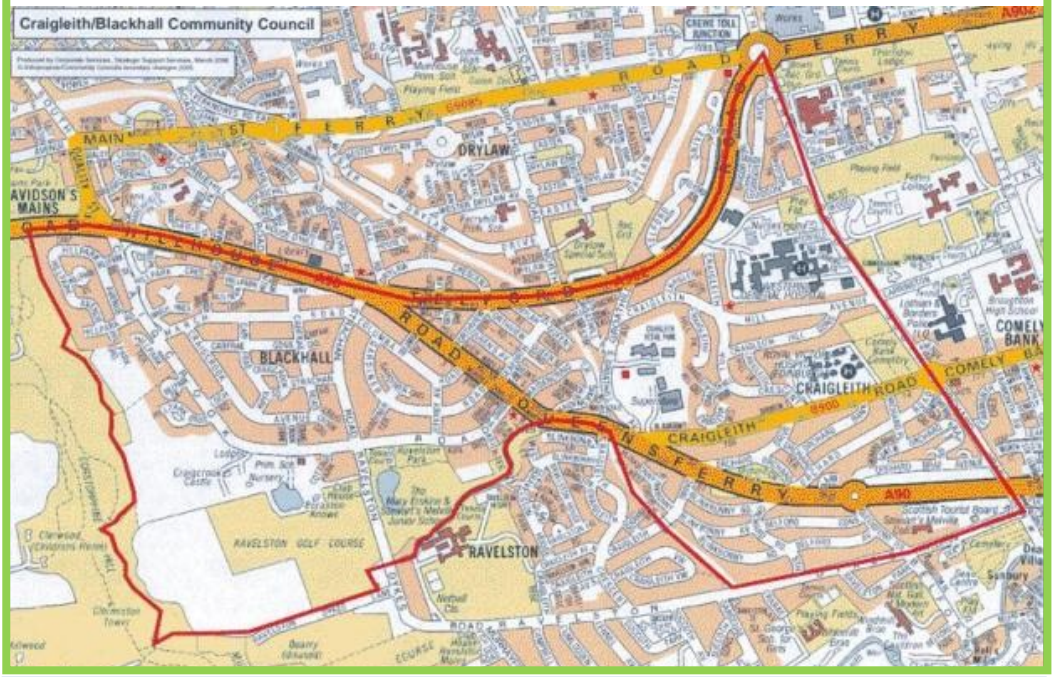
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Next meeting: 19th October

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Minutes for the August meeting contained the following:

13 attendees

Police Report:

Youth antisocial behaviour - Thefts from vehicles - A temporary Vehicle Crime Team was created in June and over 150 charges were made - Cannabis use within homes - E-bikes - Shoplifting - Road Traffic offences and vehicle seized - Low police staffing levels - Uniformed patrols continue - Speed checks - Bike marking.

Community Council Matters:

- City Plan 2040 - as part of the review of the development plan, Edinburgh Councilhas called for ideas to inform the Plan.
- Maidencraig Crescent Roseburn Path entrance -
- Craigleith Drive 'Tunnel'
- Speed Signs
- Overgrown vegetation
- Dog poo

Ward Councillors' Reports included:

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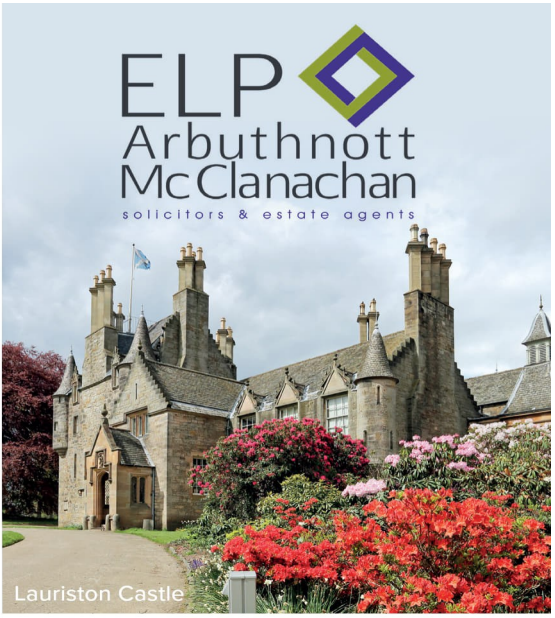
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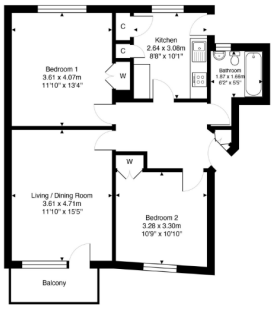
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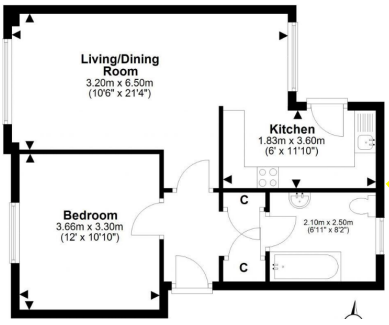
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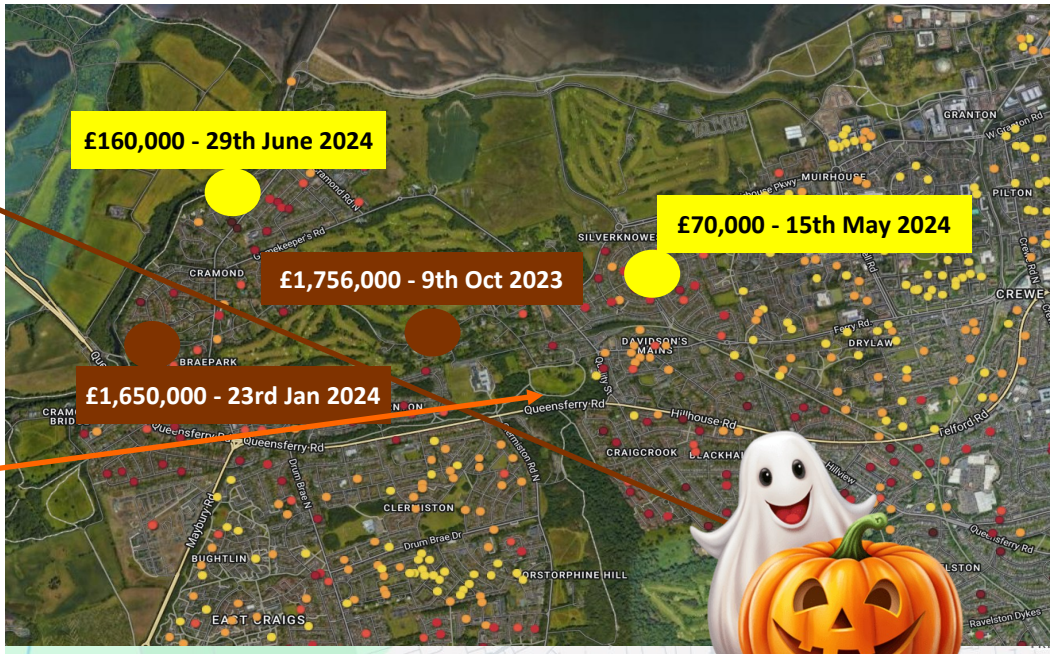


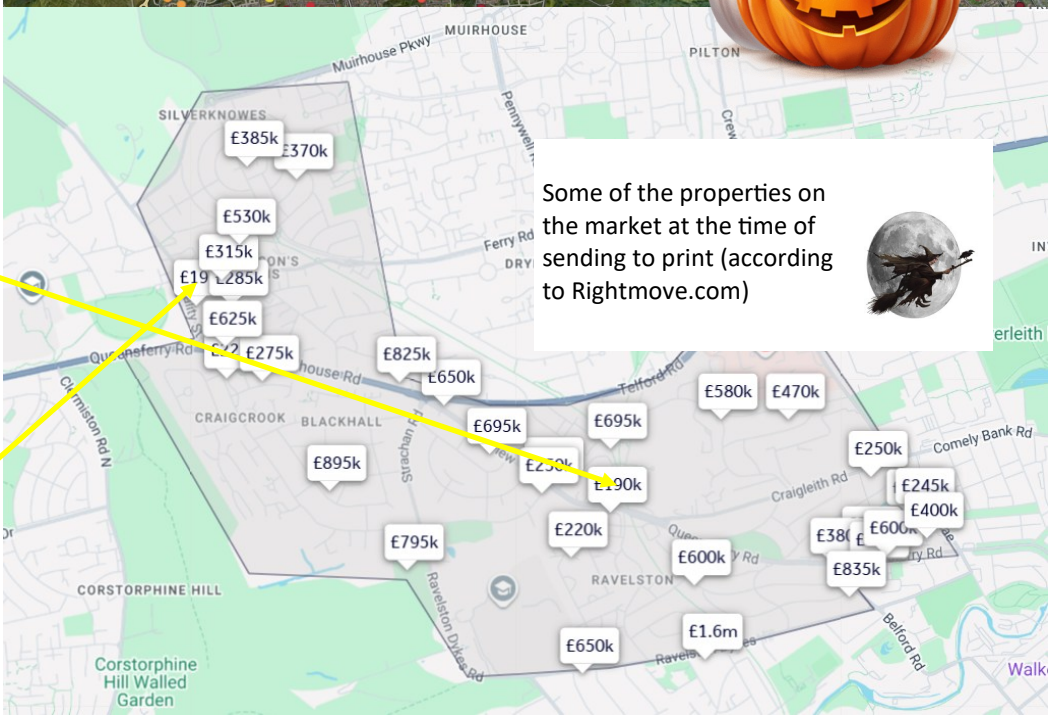
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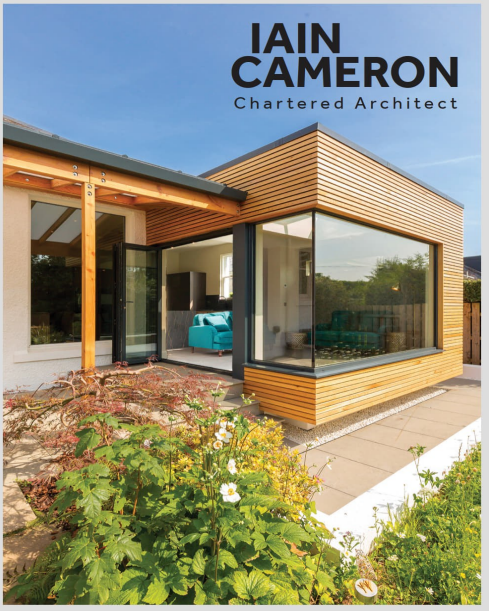
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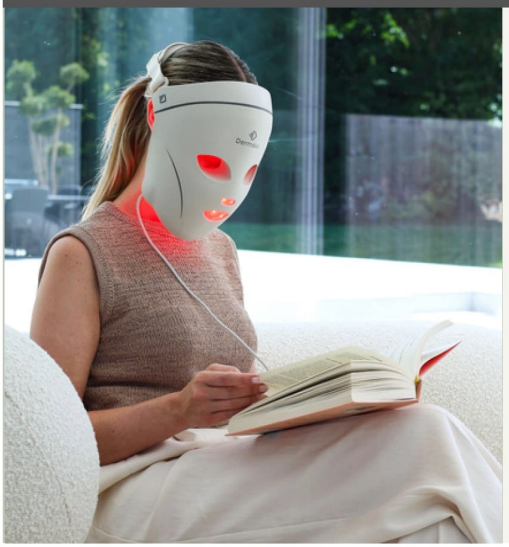
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Total: 188 days of school

HOLIDAYS

Holidays

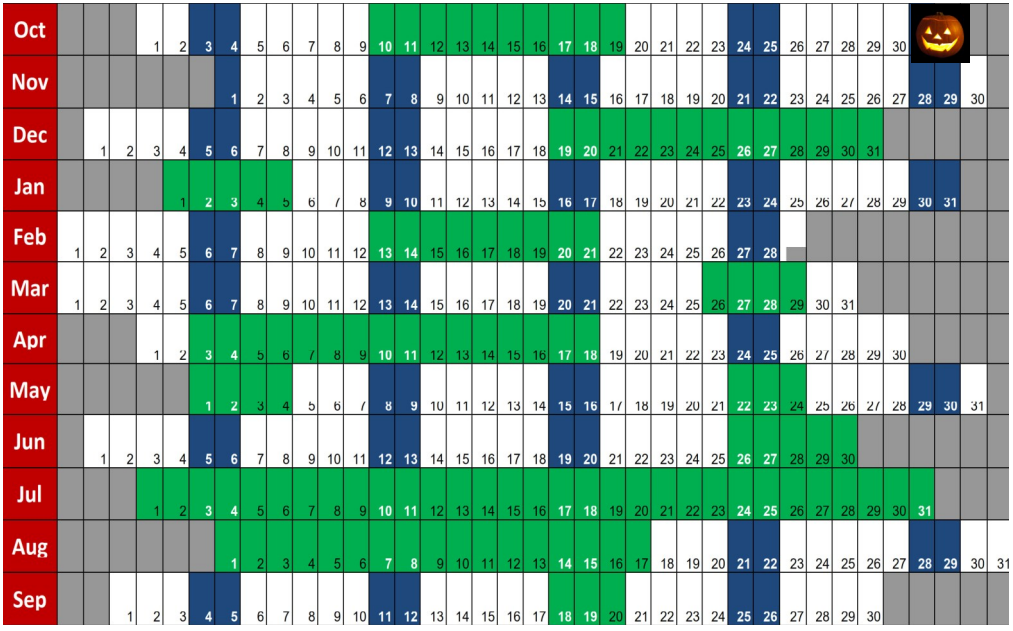
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July - 31 days	Aug - 7 days	Sep - 1 day
Oct - 6 days	Dec - 9 day	Jan - 3 days
Feb - 5 days	Mar - 4 days	

Total: 83 days holiday





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Distribution of the Barnton magazine covers 5 Primary school and 4 High School catchments and I thought you might be interested in a brief overview. I have given contact details for each one including Phone number and addresses for websites, email, Twitter plus where they have a Facebook Page. There is a whole range of info available on their online Pages but let me know if you think any else specific should be mentioned here.

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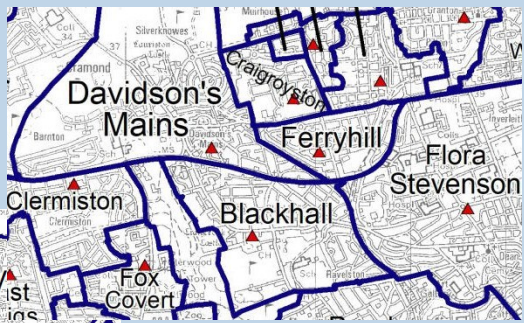
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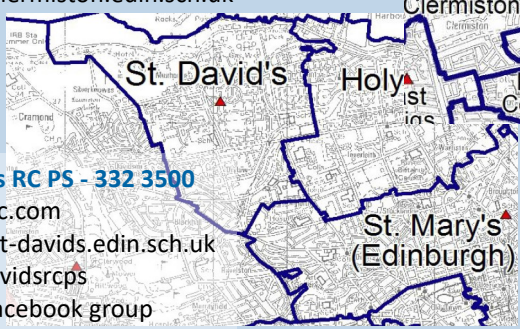
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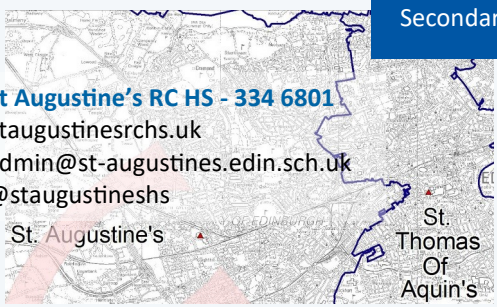




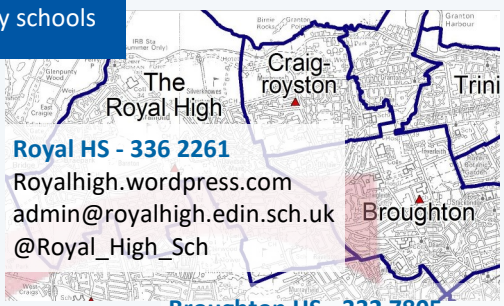
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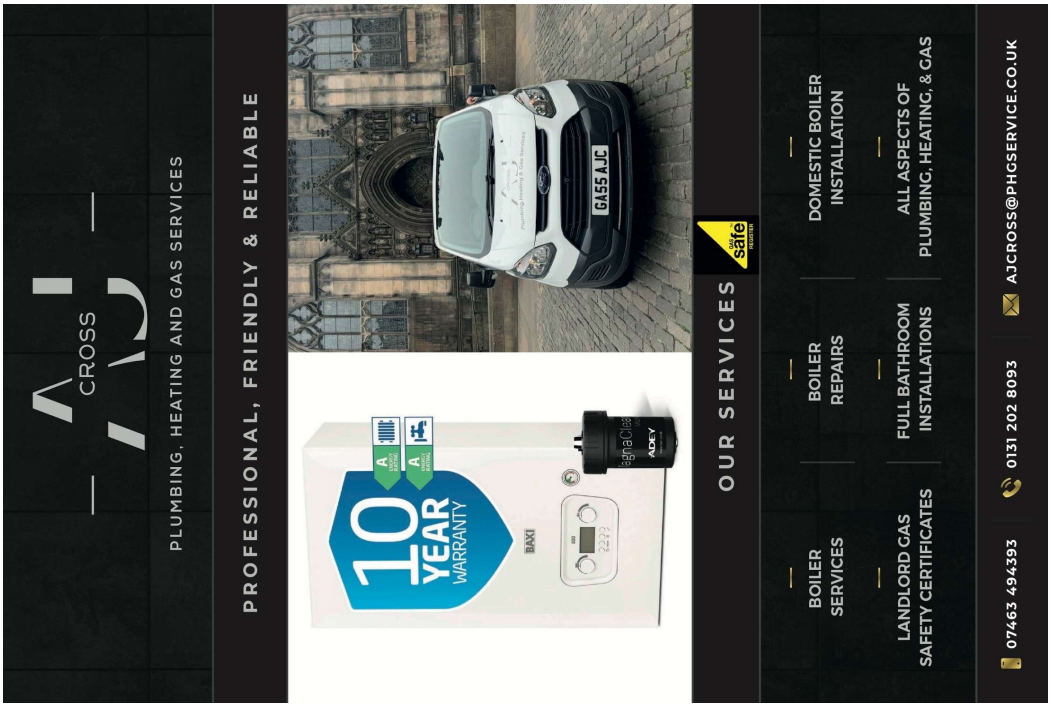
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On each row place a letter that can be substituted for the centre letter of the words either side, to give another word in each case. When completed, a word will be read downwards. What is it?

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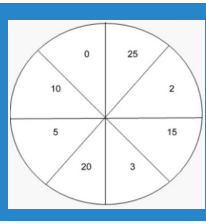
BENCH _ ADOPT

DECAY _ BUDGE

HUNCH _ MARCH

B

Throw three darts at this unusual board to score 35. How many different ways are there to do this? Every dart lands in a sector and no dart falls out.



C

What number should replace the question mark to continue this sequence?

2, 3, 10, 15, 26, 35, 50, 63, 82, ?

Last month's answers:

A: 1. Blackhall, 2. Silverknowes, 3. Ravelston, 4. Davidson's Mains
B: Roseburn Path
C: Lauriston Castle

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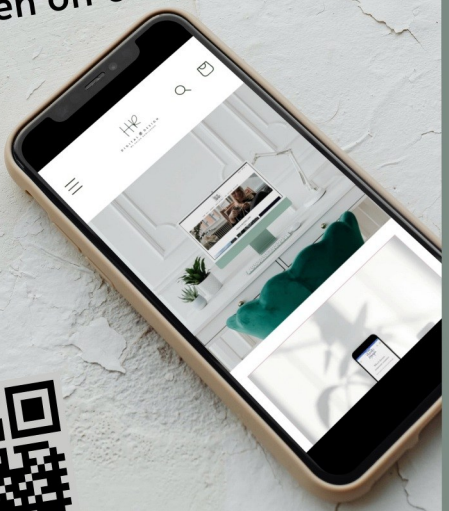
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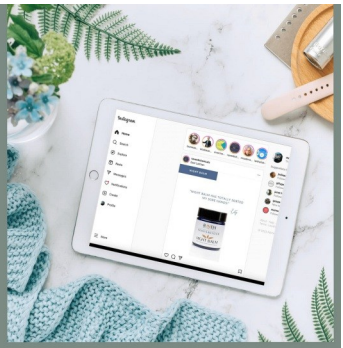
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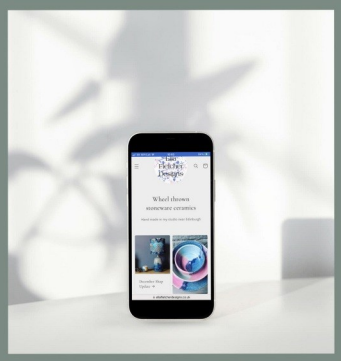
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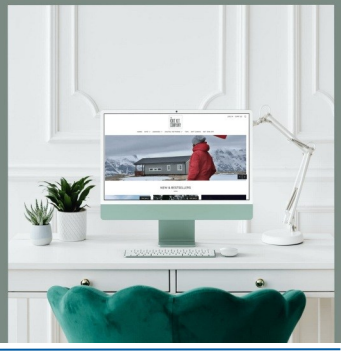
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A regular stretching program can help lengthen your muscles and make daily activities routine again.

The word flexible comes from the Latin word flexus, which means "to bend." Flexibility is the degree to which an individual muscle will lengthen. Stretching increases flexibility, which will help you perform daily activities and reduce the risk of muscle, joint and tendon injuries. Stretching also improves circulation, increasing blood flow to the muscles. Increased blood flow provides more nourishment to the muscles and gets rid of more waste by-products in the muscle tissue itself. Improved circulation can also help speed up recovery time if you suffer a muscle injury.

What's more, stretching can help eliminate or decrease low back pain, one of the most common kinds of structural pain, affecting a large percentage of the population. Muscle tightness in the quadriceps, hamstrings, hip flexors, and low back muscles is a common cause of low back pain. Stretching these muscles will often eliminate the pain. Keep in mind that every joint is tied to another joint, so if one muscle is tight, it is going to affect another joint or muscle.

One of the greatest benefits of stretching is that you're able to increase your range of motion, which means your joints can move further before an injury occurs. Stretching after you exercise (at least after you've warmed up a bit) has proven to be much more effective than pre-workout stretches, because by the time you've completed your workout, the muscles are "warm." Post-exercise stretching also helps reduce soreness, improves workout recovery, and ensures muscle and tendons are working properly.

There are no disadvantages to stretching - unless, of course, you do them improperly, which is actually easy to do if you don't know what you're doing. Here are a few tips to keep in mind before starting any stretching program:

DON'T bounce when stretching; hold your position for the specified time.

DON'T stretch cold muscles; always do some type of warm-up for at least five minutes: jogging in place, walking on a treadmill, light jump rope, etc.

DON'T overstretch. There should be a little discomfort, especially if you're not used to stretching, but it should not be painful.

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