



AWCCS Newsletter

American Women's Club of Central Scotland



Hi!

Welcome to our electronic newsletter. You will receive it through your email as a pdf file. There will be live links to information, to different parts of the newsletter, other websites, or to reply to email and to club forms. If you would like to submit an article or info for our newsletter, please send it to newsletter@awccs.org by the 15th of the preceding month.

Thank you!

Susannah Stout, Newsletter Editor

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Submissions are welcome and should be sent to newsletter@awccs.org by the 15th of February. Please accompany submissions with images if you have any! Contact the Editor by phone or email for details. Late submissions may not be included. Although material may be edited for clarity or space, contributions should be submitted ready for print. The next issue will be published in March 2015. AWCCS reserves the right to refuse any ad and cannot be held responsible for loss or damages incurred as a result of transactions stemming from any advert.

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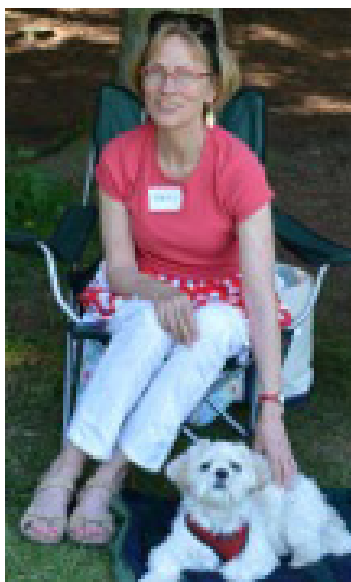
*Remember to check the website for the latest updates: www.awccs.org
You will need to register in order to log in to the Members Only Section.*

*If you've got a favourite activity and would like others to join, please let
Nancy Lynner know at president@awccs.org and we will start
a Special Interest Group for you.*

President's Letter March 2015

Dear Members

We had several activities in February. The Slavery & Song concert with the Choir of St Andrew's and St George's West, the Edinburgh Signing Choir, and soloist Andrea Baker was a perfect event for Americans in February—the music was beautiful, and also chilling, as the programme took us through thoughts of slavery. We heard “Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen” as recorded by Paul Robeson as we watched the Edinburgh Signing Choir perform. We heard “Is Anybody There?” sung by the amazing Andrea Baker. The programme included spoken text and testimonials, and the evening ended with “Swing Low, Sweet Chariot.”



The biggest club event in February, the visit Kirkcaldy to the Scottish Colourists, happened too late for us to share the information with you, so look to that in a future issue, or call me and I will tell you all about it.

On Tuesday March 3rd, join us at the National Library of Scotland on George IV Bridge, Edinburgh for a Curator-led tour of the exhibit on the American Civil War.

The exhibit has around 40 objects. The Curator is Dora Petherbridge, and she is starting the tour at 11:00 AM.

Meet me in the front foyer. Some of us are arriving about 10:30 for a cup of coffee before the tour within the café that is in the foyer of National Library of Scotland. Rsvp to me at president@awccs.org so I will know how many to expect.

In April we are having a theatre night—we are going to the opening of *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-time* at the Festival Theatre. While the club group is past the deadline, you can still get your own tickets to see the show.

On Friday night, 15th of May we have the Queen Margaret University Costume Showcase to attend. The event starts at 7:15, and is being held at The Pleasance Theatre. There will also be an exhibition to view, and a bar. As soon as I have the price of the tickets I will let you know.

We will be giving you news of the Annual General Meeting of the

American Women's Club of Central Scotland shortly—we are asking the US Consulate for dates in June.

Stay tuned to our newsletter, the emails that Josy, our Membership Chair sends, and come to an event! If you know of a member who is not able to read our newsletter online, would you let me

know? We want to mail copies to the few who cannot use, or do not have access to, a computer.

Your club board is working on some new activities involving shopping and donating to good causes. Stay posted.

Nancy Lynner



We are finally open!

*Californian Chef & AWCCS Member,
Annette Sprague, has opened Redwood
Bistro, a family friendly restaurant in
Corstorphine.*

*We are taking bookings for Thanksgiving,
Christmas lunch & dinner as well as
Hogmany.*



For more details visit:

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AWCCS March Edinburgh Meeting

**Tuesday March 3, 2015
11:00 AM**

**The National Library of Scotland on George IV Bridge,
Edinburgh**

Yankee Cries and Rebel Yells: the American Civil War is a small exhibit based on US civil war items from the NLS collections.

At 10:30 some of us will meet first in the coffee café at the National Library of Scotland on George IV Bridge—please join us if you wish.

At 11:00 the NLS Curator, Dora Petherbridge, will give us a personalized tour, after which you can review the exhibit (about 40 artifacts) on your own time.

Please Rsvp to this event—this courtesy helps with planning:
president@awccs.org

AWCCS Member Announcements

Welcome to our new members!

Rachel Brubaker (in Linlithgow) from Philadelphia/Chester County, Penn.
Tamara Maple (in Edinburgh) from Chicago, Illinois
Mary Heckert (in Edinburgh) from St. Petersburg, Florida

We look forward to meeting you at our upcoming events!

A New Baby!

We welcomed **Logan Joseph Louis Caramanna** into the world on January 16th. He weighed in at 6 lbs. 12 oz. and was 20 inches long. Logan is growing quickly and is a happy and healthy boy!

Thanks so much.
Hope to see you soon!
Kate Ferrucci



March Birthdays:

Have fantastic Birthday, gals!

Cynthia Pendergast	11th
Roseline Marshall	16th
Nancy Walker	18th
Sherri Underwood	21st
Erica Judge	28th
Elizabeth Moore	28th
Michele Wirt	30th
Kathy McCarthy	30th



Online Auction!

At our last Board meeting, we brainstormed how to raise more funds for our collective charities: the US Consulate, the Edinburgh Women's Rape and Sexual Abuse Centre, and FAWCO. We decided to try an online auction. Nothing ventured, nothing gained, right?!

The auction is set to go live on our American Women's Club website in April (thank you Joyce!). Before this, we need your help with collecting auction items –nearly new treasures from your home, donations from local businesses, services (dinner prepared for a party of 6, window cleaning, home organization, etc.) You name it, we'll consider it! We think this will be a lot of fun and hopefully you do too. So if you have an item or service that you would like to donate, please email either myself, charity@awccs.org or Joyce at treasurer@awccs.org with a picture and description.

We would also like to include more live raffles at our club events so keep an eye out for that in the future. And as always, if you have an idea that you would like to share, please feel free to send it my way or come along to one of the Board meetings and tell us in person!

Tess McNatt

Charity Chairperson
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American Citizens Abroad - Dale Finlayson

News from American Citizens Abroad

- Dale Finlayson

Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS)

TAS is “the voice of the taxpayer” – an independent organization within the IRS that exists to ensure that taxpayers are treated fairly, to help resolve tax problems with the IRS, and to recommend changes that will prevent problems. Its current head – the National Taxpayer Advocate – is Nina Olsen.

TAS submits two reports to Congress each year: an Annual Report in January and an Objectives Report in June. These reports are delivered to the Senate Committee on Finance and the House Committee on Ways and Means with no prior review or comment from the Commissioner, the IRS Oversight Board, the Secretary of the Treasury, any other Treasury officer or employee, or the Office of Management and Budget.

The Annual Report includes analysis of at least 20 of the most serious problems encountered by taxpayers, legislative and administrative recommendations for solving those problems, and a discussion of the year’s ten most frequently litigated tax issues. These reports have often been highly critical of IRS procedures, including in relation to US expats’ dealings with the IRS.

The Objectives Report describes the goals and activities planned by the Office of the Taxpayer Advocate for the coming fiscal year.

These reports can be accessed at: <http://www.taxpayeradvocate.irs.gov/about/reports-to-congress>

Olsen also writes a blog that can be found at <http://www.taxpayeradvocate.irs.gov/about/nta-blog>

Recent topics on her blog have included “Why we need a taxpayer bill of rights”, “What’s an audit, anyway?” and “Are IRS Correspondence Audits really less burdensome for taxpayers?”

The TAS website also highlights some of the thousands of tax problems TAS has helped with. Each individual or business taxpayer is assigned to an advocate who helps them understand what needs to be done to fix it and will do everything they can to get the problems resolved.

Taxpayer Advocacy Panel (TAP)

TAP is a Federal Advisory Committee established in 2002 under the authority of the Department of the Treasury, with oversight and program support provided by TAS. It is composed of 75 volunteers dedicated to helping the IRS identify ways to improve customer service and satisfaction, and it helps taxpayers resolve federal tax issues that have not been resolved through the normal IRS channels

Twenty-nine new TAP members have been appointed for a three-year term beginning in 2015, selected from more than 400 US citizens, who applied during an open recruitment period in 2014, and from a pool of alternate members who

had applied in prior years. The membership is demographically and geographically diverse, including representation from all 50 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico – and for the first time one member from abroad to represent the interests of taxpayers living, working, or doing business abroad or in a US territory. The current overseas member in Shelby Lyon, who lives in Geneva, Switzerland.

Taxpayers can contact the TAP representative for their geographic area by calling 888-912-1227 (a toll-free call) or via the Internet at www.improveirs.org. Taxpayers can also send written correspondence to the TAP at the following address:

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There is a fairly easy board post available, and joining the board is a terrific experience. This post is called Advertising Chair. By managing the ads for the 9 issues of the newsletter we bring in some money to help support the club. I began on the board in this post in 2009, and have held it ever since, even while I have been Vice President and President.

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Date Due: Must be received by the 10th of the Month previous to Newsletter Edition in which you wish to publish.

Part Two:

Traveling from Edinburgh to Seattle with our Toy Poodle

Joyce Halsan

Our journey to Seattle from Edinburgh with our dog continues this month with the details of traveling to Charles de Gaulle Airport in Paris. (Last month I dealt with the Pet Passport we needed for our travels).

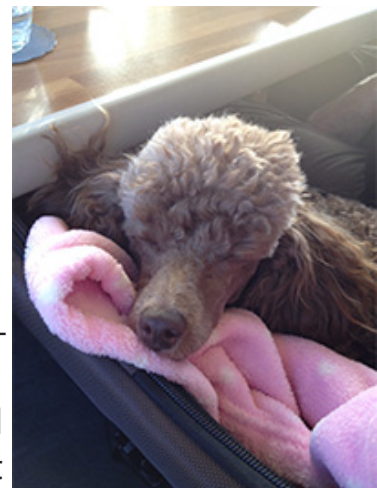
Just to remind you, it is not possible to travel on any airlines in the UK with an animal in the cabin, under the seat, with you. So we had to make our way by car or train to Paris in order to fly to Seattle with our pet in the cabin. Since it was winter in the UK, we decided not to try to drive to Paris, just didn't want to deal with the worry of snow, etc. So we took the train from Edinburgh to London Kings Cross and then hired a pet transport company to pick us up there and deliver us to our hotel at the airport in Paris.

1. Edinburgh to London on East Coast Rail (<http://www.eastcoast.co.uk/rail-travel/your-journey/pets/>)

Their policy:

"Your pet can usually travel with you free of charge, as long as they don't occupy a seat.

You can bring up to two dogs, cats or other small domestic animals with you free of charge as long as they don't occupy a seat. For each additional dog, cat or other small animal we charge half the adult fare for the type of ticket held for your journey, up to a maximum of £5.00 for a single and £10.00 for a return."



Since we knew we were traveling well in advance, we booked our tickets Edinburgh-London, EC First Advance for £31.35 each, one way, using our Senior Railcards. We go first class when we get a good price on tickets because it includes coffee, tea and meals along the way and the seats are more comfortable. The dog carrier fits between us on the seat. (We weren't so lucky to get that price on the way back, but it wasn't too bad at £64.35 per person London to Edinburgh, again EC First Advance. We paid to use the First class lounge in London, an additional £10 which was a life saver for the return trip.)

2. Pet Moves www.pet--moves.com Barry HUMPHREYS

We found Barry on the internet. We did lots of research on how to get to France, or Amsterdam for that matter, without flying. There are ships that go across, but

it was Winter and we would have had to leave her in a kennel overnight, so wasn't going to fulfil our criteria of having her with us at all times. Plus, did I mention it was Winter??? So ships were out.

Barry runs a company that specialises in pet transport to and from the UK. The company was everything they advertised and more. We were picked up at the train and delivered to the door of our hotel after making our way through the Channel Tunnel by car (van). The quote he gave us included:

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We provide regular comfort breaks, and refreshments en route as required, important for both of us.

We can meet you at key points on the journey such as airports or stations if required.

The cost of the journey is based on mileage/ferry costs and tolls.

We will keep you informed while we on route at strategic points and update our likely ETA.

You can contact us at any time whilst on route should you need to.

Our vehicles are not smoked in, our Drivers are non smokers.

We are experienced with Collections/Drop off's at Paris CDG, Orly, Brussels Zaventem airports & most mainline Railway stations.

We can assist with finding Pet Friendly accommodation in London, Temporary or Long Term"

Barry was an excellent driver, very patient and kind. He stopped when we needed a break, took us to places to get some snacks and doggy parks for Minnie to get a walk. The drive took about 7 hours; including the London traffic, the Chunnel with its wait time, and short breaks.

It was expensive, about the same as if we had shipped her via British Air cargo from the UK, but even the folks in the Cargo area told me there was no guarantee that she would get out on the same flight as we were on, so they honestly didn't recommend we go that route.

He does individual quotes depending on time of year, time of day, day of week, etc., and will be happy to give you a quote if you are interested.

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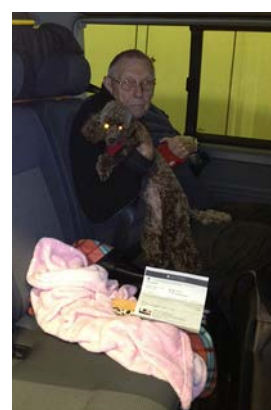
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3. Hotel in Paris at the Airport

We were due to fly out in the morning from Paris, so we chose to stay over at the airport. Barry (from Pet Moves) recommended this Hotel and we were very happy he did, it was perfect. They are dog friendly, in fact crazy about dogs.

Hotel: Pullman Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport

Roissypole Ouest Bp 20248, 95713 Roissy, France

<http://www.pullmanhotels.com/gb/hotel--0577--pullman--paris--charles--de--gaulle--airport/index.shtml>

We ordered room service even though they said we could take the dog into the restaurant, we were tired and needed to chill. So every time I'm in Paris, I order steak and salad, wine and cheese. Heaven. Minnie got some steak for being such a good dog.

4. A word about Minnie, the toy poodle.

We had no idea how Minnie would travel for so many hours on such a long journey. We followed the recommendations to not feed her before traveling, and to limit the water to sips along the way, just enough to keep her hydrated. It turns out she is a terrific little traveller. We got an airline approved carrier, which is like a suit case with air vents. It had to weigh (with her in it) less than 6 kg, and she just fit into

that category. We found a light-weight one that was sturdy and she fit in laying flat out. We had to know the dimensions of the carry bag when we booked her on the airline, so we got it well in advance and had her practice being in it in the car until it was time to travel.

Travel Bag for Pets

This is the bag we got: Sleepypod Air: Airline Approved Pet Carrier for Dogs and Cats

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<http://www.amazon.com/Sleepypod-Air-In-Cabin-Carrier-Strawberry/dp/B002Z-5VSB8> It was easy to put on the handle of our luggage, just like every other carryon bag, and roll along on our way.

We put her in the bag in the stations and on the train. She complained at first, but then just settled in and went along for the ride. Our whole point of doing this method of travel with a dog was to keep her less stressed. As long as she was with us, she was fine and just went along with whatever was happening. We were really surprised how good she was, especially as she was only a bit over a year old.

I will leave you here, in our hotel in France, for this piece, and will finish up with the journey including the airlines, the stopovers and the journey home next month.

Hope you're enjoying the trip as much as we did.

SELF CPR

What are you to do if you have a heart attack while you are alone? The Johnson City Medical Center staff actually discovered this and did an in-depth study on it in our ICU. It was published and is now incorporated into ACLS and CPR classes.

It is very true and does work. It is called "Cough CPR". If everyone who gets this sends it to 10 people, you can bet that we'll save at least one life.

It could save your life!

Let's say it's 6:15 p.m. And you're driving home (alone of course), after an usually hard day on the job.

You're really tired, upset and frustrated.

Suddenly you start experiencing severe pain in your chest that starts to radiate out into your arm and up into your jaw. You are only about five miles from the hospital nearest your home.

Unfortunately you don't know if you'll be able to make it that far. What can you do?

You've been trained in CPR but the guy that taught the course didn't tell you what to do if it happened to you.

Since many people are alone when they suffer a heart attack, this article seemed to be in order.

Without help, the person whose heart is beating improperly and who begins to feel faint, has only about 10 seconds left before losing consciousness.

However, these victims can help themselves by coughing repeatedly and very vigorously.

A deep breath should be taken before each cough, and the cough must be deep and prolonged, as when producing sputum from deep inside the chest.

A breath and a cough must be repeated about every two seconds without let up until help arrives, or until the heart is felt to be beating normally again.

Deep breaths get oxygen into the lungs and coughing movements squeeze the heart and keep the blood circulating.

The squeezing pressure on the heart also helps it regain normal rhythm. In this way, heart attack victims can get to a hospital.

Tell as many other people as possible about this, it could save their lives!

From Health Cares, Rochester General Hospital via Chapter 240s newsletter 'AND THE BEAT GOES ON'

(reprint from The Mended Hearts, Inc. Publication, Heart Response)

**BE A FRIEND AND PLEASE SEND THIS ARTICLE
TO AS MANY FRIENDS AS POSSIBLE.**

Books, Beverages and Banter, Glasgow

I believe for March, we agreed to go to a tearrom again on a Sunday, but we have not confirmed details yet. Look out for email notices, Sue is sending out the email addresses for Glasgow -side members - look out for it, remember, a directory of members names and details can always be found on the members only pages of the website.

Please do come and join us!

If you have any suggestions for this Spring, please get in touch!

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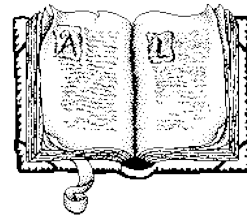
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Black Medicine Book Group

7 Barclay Terrace, Edinburgh EH10 4HP

11th March 6:30-8 p.m.



We will be reading *A Random Walk Down Wall Street* by Burton Gordon Malkiel

Malkiel examines some popular investing techniques, including technical analysis and fundamental analysis, in light of academic research studies of these methods. Through detailed analysis, he notes significant flaws in both techniques, concluding that, for most investors, following these methods will produce inferior results over passive strategies.

Malkiel has a similar critique for methods of selecting actively managed mutual funds based upon past performance. He cites studies indicating that actively managed mutual funds vary greatly in their success rates over the long term, often underperforming in years following their success, thereby reverting toward the mean. Malkiel suggests that given the distribution of fund performances, it is statistically unlikely that an average investor would happen to select those few mutual funds which will outperform their benchmark index over the long term.

If you are in town and free would you like to join us?

Amanda Drollinger
social@awccs.org

Birthday Bash

Birthday Bash March 2015

Date: Thursday 19th of March is Birthday Bash!

Location: Whigham's Wine Cellars, 13 Hope Street EH2 4EL/ 0131 2258674.
Corner of Hope and Charlotte Square

Time: 6:00 – 8:00 PM

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Edinburgh Morning Book Group

Friday, 20 March 2015, 10:15am

Home of Jenny Gibb

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jenny@gibb.plus.com



State of Wonder by Ann Patchett

Set in the jungles and waterways of Brazil's Rio Negro, this is a story of intrigue and death in the search for the scientist whose work to develop a drug that will change the lives of women is shrouded in secrecy from its investors. One lab assistant sent to investigate is reported dead, now his colleague, Marina Singh is sent to find the answers.

For 17 April we will read ***The Broken Road: From the Iron Gates to Mount Athos, by Patrick Leigh Fermor.***

Learn to Cook

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Coffee Plus Edinburgh

Date: Wednesday, 25 March 2015

Venue: Dovecot Studio, Infirmary Street, Edinburgh

Time: 10am

A new venue this month, the 100-year-old tapestry studio housed since 2008 in Edinburgh's oldest public baths. We will meet first in its wonderful Café, operated by Stag Espresso. Infirmary Street is located off South Bridge, the first street on your left as you walk south from the High Street and just past Chambers Street (on the right).

The current exhibit is a major solo exhibition of works by the Norwegian visual artist and musician Magne Furuholmen, with a tapestry called "Glass Onion", based on a unique woodcut print design, as the centerpiece. The print was derived from a series of ten woodcuts entitled "Norwegian Wood", first exhibited in Oslo in 1995 and closely linked to jazz. "Glass Onion" is named after the 1968 Beatles song and draws on a recurring influence of lyrical and musical terminology. The tapestry was woven at the Dovecot in summer 2014. Furuholmen's visits to the Dovecot in the course of the weaving inspired a new body of work for the exhibition using music, film, printmaking, and large scale ceramic.

A film was made to document the creation of the tapestry and can be viewed at <https://vimeo.com/115162915>.

The café is very popular, therefore it would be helpful if you let me know that you intend to join us so we can try to make sure we have enough room for everyone to sit together.

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Theatre Night for American Women's Club of Central Scotland

The award-winning National Theatre production of

The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time

Date: Tuesday 28th April (opening night)

Curtain Time: 7:30 PM

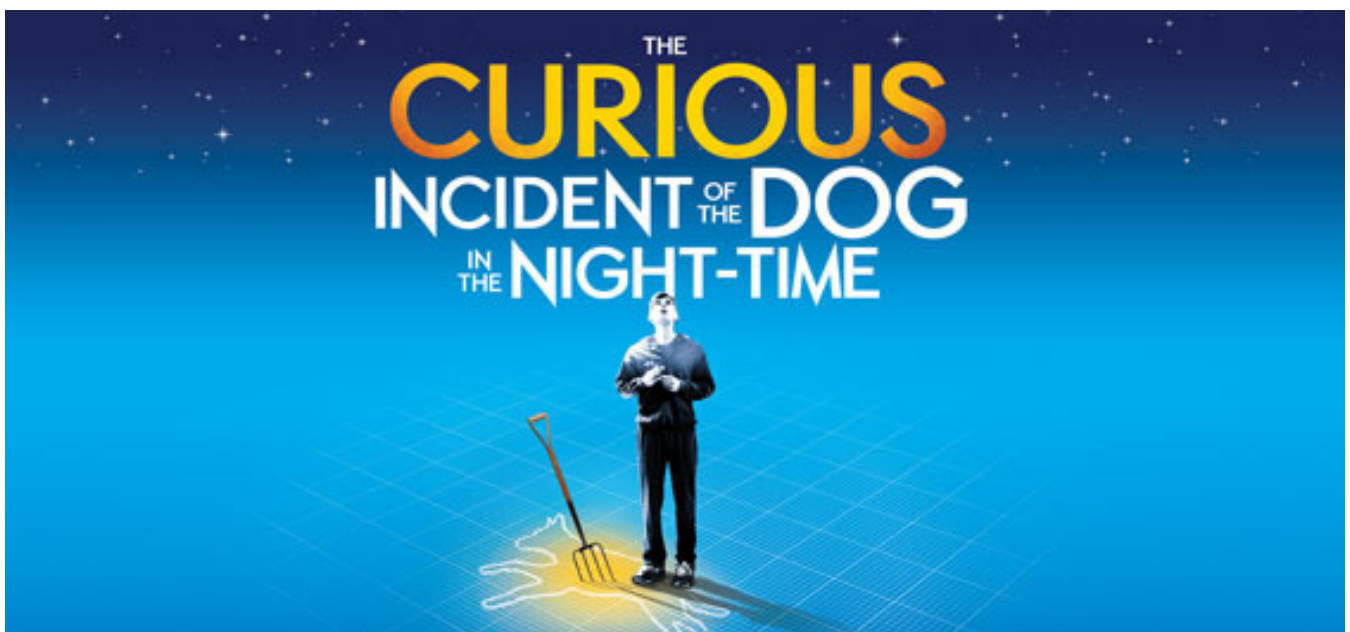
(7:20 PM meet Nancy in lobby of Festival Theatre)

Tickets = £30.00, due to Nancy by Friday 27th February

There are only 10 tickets in this group booking, so sign up now!

Our seats are in Row L, stalls.

RSVP president@awccs.org asap



<http://www.edtheatres.com/curiousincident>

Save the Date!

Queen Margaret University's
Costume showcase will take place
on

Friday, May 15 -2015
7 15pm
- Evening Gala Show

Venue - The Pleasance Theatre

There will be a Bar and Exhibition.

Further details will be forthcoming
shortly .

Nancy Lynner
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