Sep/Oct 23 Newsletter

Halloween

American Women's Club of Central Scotland

Asks families to SAVE THE DATE

WHEN: Saturday 28 October 2023

WHAT: HALLOWEEN

WHERE: Museum of Scottish Fire Heritage, 1a Dryden Terrace EH74NB

TIME: 2:00 PM – 3:30 PM

Details to follow

Greetings from your President

Greetings

Happy Autumn! Hope everyone had a great Summer. For some, a time of rest and relaxation, for some a time of travel and holiday making and still for others it was work as usual. Whatever your situation, I'm so glad you continue to be a member of this wonderful family. We'd (That's the royal us) like to thank our Committee members for all their hard work and dedication to keep our wonderful club running smoothly. Whether you are a member of long-there for us, like a big welcome to all our new members, we are so glad you joined us, and we look forward to seeing you at our events soon.

What a summer, it was hot, well, actually it was a bit cooler than I thought it would be. Still, it did rain and that is a weather condition you can depend on in Scotland. We knew were quite a bit of political turmoil in the US and here in Scotland and still we persevered, and we finally had a relaxed and a fantastic time we (and I) in America when our country is in such a state. I don't know about you but sometimes I feel like I have someone's gift for escaping when I did. Whatever people think about the US, we have our problems, but we have our sense of humor, we have our family and our friends and we have our hobbies and interests (mine are) and much more. So, we don't have a Passport, yet. Yet we do, opening room in Glasgow, for rate starting. I'm sure you miss many different food and condiment items but for the the price most certainly outweigh the costs.

The Women's Group that we have formed is better than last year. Meeting in the morning and not luggage. We visited the stores, Australia, Europe and many more exotic places. We have our Book Club, our Walking Club, our Lunch Club, our WhatsApp group and show your adventures.

Some of us travelled out some of us stayed home and some have health issues that might prevent them from travelling. We sustain and maintain because we have it, if you would like a call from one of our members, let us know. Please don't struggle alone, we are here and if there is anything we can do to help, we will.

It is now September, where did the year go? My Widgetton Bell happened the year out, and it was pleasant. Hope you can attend next year's. Now that Summer has officially ended, we are back to our monthly events, both the morning Birthday Brunch, Lunch Club and our product where we focus on a particular cuisine, have donned again and we are looking forward to the company of everyone who has the opportunity to join us. Other activities such as book club, walking club, and the monthly coffee morning are all back. We have a lot of fun and we have a lot of laughs. Some of us have been with the club for years, surprised at the numbers who want the same thing. We want to hear from you as well, get in touch and if you want to start a group or just meet up for drinks other ends please do let us know. We're still looking to expand our group to include Perth, N. Ardrossan, Fife, they are all a part of our region so please if you meet someone from their stations let us know.

As of if you should know, hopefully, the weekend of October 6th we are holding the EMEA region Conference. EMEA (Federation of American Women's Clubs Overseas) is the organization we belong to and we are the Region 1 Conference. We are hosting it in Glasgow. We are looking for volunteers to help out with the conference and we are looking for a Region 1 Coordinator which includes all of the UK and Ireland. It is a great opportunity to meet other members of the club and also some international members.

Finally, thank you all for being you and for all that you do to support our group family. I'm looking forward to seeing you all in the coming months, in one activity or the other.

Bear wishes,

Cynthia (The Bearness)

Upcoming Events

September

BOTANIKA Edinburgh Birthday Bash
at Waldorf Astoria Caledonian
7 September 2023 @ 4:00 Pm to 6:00 Pm
RSVP

September 2023 Edinburgh Coffee club
at CYCA Coffee
19 September 2023 @ 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM
RSVP

October

AWCCS Members (Special rate) FAWCO Region 1Meeting Ticket
at Dining Highland Hotel
1 October 2023
RSVP

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1 October 2023
RSVP

Halloween Item Exchange
at Museum of Scottish Fire Heritage
28 October 2023 @ 2:00 Pm to 3:00 Pm
RSVP

March

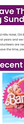
Matrilinx
at Harbour Theatre
18 March 2024 @ 2:00 Pm to 4:00 Pm
RSVP

Save The Date
Thanksgiving Sunday November 26th

October Update:

Save the date! Our Thanksgiving Dinner will again be held at the Bistro Mills Hotel, EH18 and 9LJ Edinburgh EH10 6JQ. This year it's on Sunday November 26th. More details will be forthcoming but it's been a success for the past several years and we look forward to seeing you all again. Remember, it's up big fundraiser so more information will be provided to the charity auction. Also, volunteers are needed to come a little early to help decorate, arrange the children's activity (the cut supplies are already provided) and to help clean up. If you do the time, you get the food! Let me know if you would like to help. Kathy Bateman at mrsbateman@gmail.com and let me know how you'd like to help.

Recent Events



Several of the AWCCS Ed members went to the film 'Barbie' together. Beforehand we had a bite at the Lauderdale gathering spot Edinburgh Street Food. Yes, we were pink!

The film got mixed reviews – the costumes and set details were outstanding by most judgements. The plot and music were loved by some.

We all loved Barbie's first line... you gotta be there to see it.

Club Announcements

Are you a possible Volunteer for Coffee?

We are reaching out to find a member volunteer to host an Edinburgh Coffee Morning on a weekend.

In general, it could be once a month, at any convenient coffee location, and would allow members who cannot host a Monday Friday - (This will be in addition to the Monday Friday Coffees.)

You will bake with only fancy prices, and we will make the event announcement via through our club website. Rather than pulling my email into the newsletter, just look the up using our website.

Member News

September

Julie Anderson
Katherine McClelland
Cynthia Bateman
Ophelia Mccarver
Quanya Wolf
Nancy Brown
Linsey S. Bloomfling

October

Caroline Grieve (Sanderson)
Kathy Graham
Jessica Hamilton
Melissa Kaplan
Sarah Gatling
Tabitha McCole

Welcome New Members

Linda McDonald Brown
Julie Anderson
Jessica Gregg

Glasgow Events

September:

September Coffee Morning – This/every is lockout in your email! Looking for someone to host one on a weekend- any volunteers, please contact Shannon or Mary Jo ASAP.

Thursday 14 Sept – Dinner time catch up (avoiding the debrief) - save the date.

Thursday 28 Sept 7:30 to 9pm – Kelvin

October:

Sunday 1 Oct 9am – Mary Queen exhibit at Kelvingrove Museum - See link for details https://www.glasgowlife.org.uk/museums/venues/kelvingrove-art-gallery-and-museum.

Eng Bkt Club – Kirkcaldy Regional Conference

Thursday 12 October – Movie and meal night – This and meal to be determined.

Saturday 21 October Coffee morning – location to be determined.

Thursday 26 Oct. 7:30 to 9pm – Kelvin

Events in the works:
Glasgow Wheelchair group
Glasgow Walking group
Glasgow underground tour
Glasgow Hospitality tour
Glasgow Thanksgiving

Suggestions welcome for events

Watch you emails for current locations and recap.

Let's have some fun together.

Thanks,

Shannon and Mary Jo.

Edinburgh Book Group

Contact: cleg.bryson@gmail.com

Friday, 22 September
Kindred
by Simon Winchester
Home of Jenny Gibb
Pentlands
Starting at
10:00 for 10:15
Note that this is the fourth Friday
rather than the usual third

Friday, 13 October
Elizabeth Finch
by Julian Barnes
Home of Marly Maurice
marlymaurice@gmail.com
Pentlands
10:30/11:45am
Note that this will be the second Friday
rather than the usual third

Friday, 17 November
Mr. Darcy Goes to Maine by L
Book to be decided

FAWCO

FAWCO: Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Belonging Team

Mark your calendars for a special open discussion on Gender and Pronouns – virtual meeting
Tuesday, September 26, 2023, 5:00 - 7:00 pm (CET, EST, and PST/PDT)

Have questions about how to avoid or ask questions, and thoughts about or discussion on gender and pronouns, hosted by FAWCO DEIB Chair Meredith Mann. This discussion is geared towards informing members and fostering a deeper understanding of how we all can be more pronouns and gender issues/terms that are prevalent in society. This moderated discussion is open to all members and all viewpoints and can help create a basis for individual and club discussions.

Please **register** in advance for this meeting.

EVERYONE, EVERYWHERE, ALTOGETHER!

The AWCCS is excited and honored to host the FAWCO Region 1 (Scotland, Ireland, Wales and England) Regional Meeting in beautiful and historic Stirling, a 45 minute drive from Edinburgh and Glasgow.

Dates: Friday, October 6 Sunday, October 8, 2023

Learn more and register on the AWCCS website! //

https://awccs.org/Region-1-Conference/

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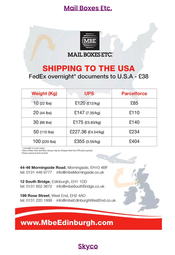

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