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New EDMs

363 Detention of MPs in Eswatini

Tabled: 7/09/22 Signatories: 1

Tony Lloyd

That this House is concerned about the continued detention of Mduduzi Bacede Mabuza and Mthandeni Dube, members of Parliament in the Southern African country of Eswatini, who have now been held for over a year on trumped up charges under the Suppression of Terrorism Act following pro-democracy demonstrations; notes with disappointment that King Mswati, Africa's last absolute monarch, has repeatedly thwarted calls for reform and that according to Freedom House his Government has used increasingly repressive tactics to stifle pro-democracy activism, including arbitrary arrest, harassment, and assault by security officials; urges King Mswati to initiate a national political dialogue with members of the opposition and civil society leaders and for his Government to stop suppressing dissent and to release all human rights defenders currently being held; calls on the UK Government to support democratic reform and human rights defenders in that country, raise the cases of Mduduzi Bacede Mabuza and Mthandeni Dube with the relevant authorities, make a public statement pressing for their immediate and unconditional release, and consider imposing travel bans on King Mswati and his family until the MPs are released.

364 Wales women's national football team

Tabled: 7/09/22 Signatories: 1

Jonathan Edwards

That this House congratulates the Welsh national Women's football team on securing a play off spot for the forthcoming World Cup; recognises that the team has caught the imagination of the Welsh public with a record 12,000 crowd attending the last group game against Slovenia; welcomes the broadcast partnership between the Football Association of Wales and BBC Wales which will see games on free to air television until 2027; welcomes the growth of women's sport in Wales and the important role the national team will play in inspiring participation and interest; and wishes the team well in their play-off games.

365 Small and medium-sized businesses

Tabled: 7/09/22 Signatories: 1

Douglas Chapman

That this House recognises the massive scale of the emergency facing small businesses from not just the cost of living crisis, but the 'cost of doing business crisis', to quote the Small Business Commissioner, Liz Barclay; considers the staggering energy bill rises and vastly increased costs that many small businesses now face; understands how small businesses are the backbone of our economy and are already greatly diminished through difficult times during Covid; and supports a call for a robust and comprehensive crisis response to prevent a potential 'generation of lost firms, and jobs', according to the Federation of Small Businesses.

366 England women's national football team

Tabled: 7/09/22 Signatories: 3

Tracey Crouch**Jo Gideon****Andrea Leadsom**

That this House wholeheartedly congratulates the Lionesses, England women's national football team, and their manager Sarina Wiegman, for their victory in this summer's UEFA Women's EURO competition; recognises the work of the FA in ensuring a successful home tournament with a lasting legacy for the future of women and girls' football; pays tribute to the Lionesses for their work as role models for aspiring footballers across the country, and wishes the team the best of luck for next summer's World Cup in Australia and New Zealand.

367 The UN OCHR's Assessment of Human Rights Concerns in the Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region

Tabled: 7/09/22 Signatories: 1

Brendan O'Hara

That this House notes with great concern the findings of the United Nations OCHR report Assessment of Human Rights Concerns in the Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region released on 31 August 2022; is horrified by the details in this report including the use of arbitrary detention, forced sterilization and mass slave labour; notes that the evidence for these egregious crimes against humanity is beyond reasonable doubt; urges the Government to strengthen Magnitsky style sanctions against officials in the People's Republic of China who are involved in these crimes; and calls on the Government to now accept this Parliament's declaration that the atrocities occurring in the Xinjiang region amount to genocide.

368 75 Years of the Edinburgh Festivals

Tabled: 7/09/22 Signatories: 1

Tommy Sheppard [R]

That this House congratulates the Edinburgh Festivals on their successful 75th anniversary season; notes that the first festivals took place in the immediate aftermath of the Second World War and sought to use culture as a healing balm to bring peoples and nations together in celebration of common humanity and help 'the flowering of the human spirit'; recognises that the Festivals have become increasingly internationally successful with audiences reaching almost 5 million per year; commends that the Festivals overcame the challenges facing live events and returned at 80 per cent

of their previous programming level, hosting nearly 3,000 performances per day; believes that the Festivals enhance our international profile as a contemporary, creative, outward-looking nation, attracting 25,000 cultural participants from more than 70 countries and thousands of accredited media; celebrates the range of national artist showcases, including each of Australia, Switzerland, Canada, South Korea and Mexico; highlights the contribution of the Ukrainian performers granted special exemption by their government to put down weapons and take up instruments in Kyiv's twin city Edinburgh; considers that the Festivals today act as economic as well as cultural powerhouses, bringing an estimated impact in 2022 of £216 million, creating the equivalent of 4,200 jobs and supporting the tens of thousands more jobs in Edinburgh's wider creative and leisure sectors; and wishes the Festivals every success as they seek to build on this anniversary year and develop their vision of Edinburgh as a world-leading sustainable festival city that is globally-minded, locally-rooted and creatively-led.

369 18th Anniversary of the attacks on Gatumba

Tabled: 7/09/22 Signatories: 1

Emma Hardy

That this House notes with great sadness that it is now 18 years since the night of August 13-14, 2004, when 166 Banyamulenge were murdered, 106 were wounded, and 8 went missing in the refugee camp in Gatumba, Burundi, the majority of whom were children and women; regrets that the attack occurred even though the camp was under the protection of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees; calls on the UK government to assist the governments of Burundi, the DRC, and other countries in the sub-region to cooperate in the restoration of peace, including the rehabilitation of the victims; further calls on the government of the DRC to stop the attacks against the civilian Banyamulenge and provide assistance to the hundreds of thousands of displaced people living in precarious conditions in Minembwe, Mikenge, Bijombo and Bwegera; asks the Government to use its position on the United Nations Security Council to ensure the international community upholds the promise of justice made to the victims of Gatumba; urges the United Nations to use all appropriate means at its disposal to bring the perpetrators to justice; and further asks that the UN become directly involved in stopping the ongoing ethnic cleansing of the Banyamulenge in South Kivu highlands, and take whatever measures necessary to see that the sponsors and perpetrators of the killings are identified and brought to justice.

370 75th Anniversary of the Diocese of Paisley

Tabled: 7/09/22 Signatories: 1

Gavin Newlands

That this House congratulates the Diocese of Paisley on the 75th anniversary of its erection from the Archdiocese of Glasgow in 1947; welcomes the service of the five Bishops who have served the people of the county of Renfrewshire in that time, including the current incumbent Bishop John Keenan; notes the role the Church has played and continues to play in communities across Renfrewshire; and warmly welcomes its anniversary Mass on 15th September on the feast of St Mirin, patron saint of Paisley and founder of Paisley Abbey.

371 Childhood Cancer Awareness Month 2022

Tabled: 7/09/22 Signatories: 1

Kirsten Oswald

That this House notes September is Childhood Cancer Awareness Month, and an opportunity to raise public awareness, call for an increased focus on funding scientific research, and to help support families affected by childhood cancers; regrets that every day in the UK twelve children and young people will receive the devastating news that they have cancer; notes that despite survival rates improving to around 80% in the UK over the past decade, cancer remains the largest cause of death from disease in children and young people, with nearly 250 children tragically dying from cancer in the UK annually; recognises that the treatment for childhood cancer often spans many years and that the side-effects of treatment can unfortunately last into early adulthood or later life; encourages the UK Government to provide additional funding and support for research into childhood cancers to ensure that new therapies can be personalised in such a way as to improve survival outcomes and reduce the incidence of long term side effects of treatment; and further notes that Childhood Cancer Awareness Month has adopted a gold ribbon as a symbol, and that 23 September is "Wear it Gold Day."

372 John Ferguson and Parkhead Housing Association

Tabled: 7/09/22 Signatories: 1

David Linden

That this House congratulates John Ferguson for serving on the board of the Parkhead Housing Association for over 40 years; notes that John will be stepping down from his role on the board after serving with distinction for four decades; further notes that John was a founding member of the Association, having previously served as Chair of the Parkhead Housing Association; commends John's commitment to the aims and objectives of the Parkhead Housing Association and his dedication to serving the local community; concludes that John will be sorely missed by those on the board and in the housing association; and wishes him a well-earned retirement.

373 Braidbar primary school fundraising

Tabled: 7/09/22 Signatories: 1

Kirsten Oswald

That this House congratulates Braidbar Primary School Parent Council who successfully fundraised £20,000 in order to replace and upgrade trim trail playground equipment; puts on record appreciation for the hard work of the Parent Council who organised and hosted several events including a pub quiz, raffle, and a book fair; notes that outdoor playground equipment has been shown to be beneficial for children's wellbeing; acknowledges that the Parent Council consulted pupils on how the money should be spent; and wishes the Parent Council, pupils, and the staff at Braidbar Primary School all the best for the future.

Added Names

Below are EDMs tabled in the last two weeks to which names have been added. Only the first 6 names and any new names are included.

328 High School of Dundee Pipe Band World Champions

Tabled: 5/09/22 Signatories: 5

Chris Law
Jim Shannon
Allan Dorans
Chris Stephens
Patrick Grady

That this House congratulates the High School of Dundee Pipe Band on their victory in the Novice Juvenile B category at the 2022 Pipe Band World Championships; further congratulates the High School of Dundee drums corps on being crowned Champion of Champions; notes that the High School's victory followed their crowning as European Champions in the Novice B category in June and as British Champions in May; commends the work of the High School of Dundee Pipe Band tutors and music staff, including David Wilton, Steven Graham and Director of Music Dr Lionel Steuart Fotheringham; and wishes all involved with the High School of Dundee Pipe Band all the best for the future.

329 Barrhead Youth Football Club fundraising

Tabled: 5/09/22 Signatories: 5

Kirsten Oswald
Jim Shannon
Allan Dorans
Chris Stephens
Chris Law

That this House commends Barrhead Youth Football Club after a recent successful fundraiser for Glasgow Children's Hospital Charity; congratulates the club on raising almost £1,000 by undertaking a four-mile sponsored walk on the popular Dams to Darnley route; notes that Blair McMillan the team coach who organised the walk did so after experiencing recent health problems and recognises his personal input into making the fundraiser a success; notes that the club has 10 different teams which allows for young people to enter the sport irrespective of their ability; acknowledges that the Club will celebrate their 50th anniversary later this year; and wishes them every continued success for the future.

330 Impact of Brexit on UK prosperity

Tabled: 5/09/22 Signatories: 6

Patricia Gibson
Allan Dorans
Jonathan Edwards
Chris Stephens
Chris Law
Patrick Grady

That this House notes with concern the impact of Brexit on inflation; notes research by the UK in a Changing Europe think tank revealed that Brexit has increased food prices by 6 per cent; acknowledges that sterling has lost 10 per cent of its value, leaving households poor by increasing

import costs and inflation while lowering wage growth; is aware of research published by the London School of Economics and Resolution Foundation that Brexit has reduced how open and competitive Britain is, leading to reduced productivity and wages over the next decade; recognises that the Office for Budget Responsibility says Brexit will have the long-term effect of cutting GDP by 4 per cent; understands that the Financial Times agreed that such a decline will mean £100 billion of lost output and £40 billion less revenue for the Treasury each year; is concerned that the UK has now fallen behind all other G7 countries in the pace of its recovery from the covid-19 pandemic, with exports down significantly and believes that Scotland will prosper more by regaining its independence and rejoining the EU than by remaining in the UK.

331 Helmi's and the inaugural East Dunbartonshire hospitality awards

Tabled: 5/09/22 Signatories: 5

Amy Callaghan
Jim Shannon
Allan Dorans
Chris Stephens
Chris Law

That this House congratulates Bearsden patisserie, Helmi's, on winning the best hospitality business in the East Dunbartonshire hospitality awards; notes the popular patisserie opened in 2020; further notes the business is owned by the Helmi family who fled the war in Syria and expanded into East Dunbartonshire after enjoying success on the Isle of Bute; understands Helmi's came top of a final shortlist of five businesses with nearly 1,500 members of the public voting in the final round; recognises these awards were launched to support local hospitality businesses after a tough two years following the covid-19 pandemic; further recognises that community involvement was key throughout each stage of the process; thanks all members of the public and businesses who participated in the awards; congratulates Helmi's patisserie once again on this outstanding achievement; and looks forward to seeing the beloved East Dunbartonshire establishment continue to grow and expand.

332 Katie Shanahan and 2022 Commonwealth Games

Tabled: 5/09/22 Signatories: 6

Amy Callaghan
Jim Shannon
Allan Dorans
Chris Stephens
Chris Law
Patrick Grady

That this House congratulates local East Dunbartonshire athlete Katie Shanahan on her tremendous success at the 2022 Commonwealth Games representing Team Scotland; understands Katie won two bronze medals in the Women's 200m Backstroke and Women's 400m Individual Medley to help add to Team Scotland's terrific medal haul; recognises how important it is to have young women like Katie represent Scottish sport at the highest level as an example to other athletes; notes the tremendous amount of work done to make this achievement possible; congratulates everyone involved in Katie's Team as well as the rest of Team Scotland on being such tremendous role models for young athletes across Scotland; and looks forward to seeing what more she will accomplish for Scottish sport in the future.

333 Bearsden triathlon athlete Erin Burnett

Tabled: 5/09/22 Signatories: 6

Amy Callaghan
Jim Shannon
Allan Dorans
Chris Stephens
Chris Law
Patrick Grady

That this House congratulates the achievements of local East Dunbartonshire triathlon athlete Erin Burnett on her remarkable success securing five record times in this year's 11-14 year-old girls parkrun category at the Scottish Indoor Athletics Championships; further notes Erin's recent triumph winning a Bronze medal in the 200 meter under-13 girls category and a Gold medal in the 3k race at the Scottish Athletics Youth National Road Championships in March 2022; recognises the tremendous work and dedication to make these achievements possible; thanks Erin for being a positive role model to the next generation of young athletes representing Scotland; commends the Scottish athlete's fundraising efforts to raise money to support Children's Hospices Across Scotland; looks forward to seeing what more she will accomplish; and wishes her all the best for future sporting events.

334 Sean Lazzerini and 2022 Commonwealth Games' men's boxing

Tabled: 5/09/22 Signatories: 5

Kirsten Oswald
Jim Shannon
Allan Dorans
Chris Stephens
Chris Law

That this House congratulates Sean Lazzerini from Barrhead on his gold medal victory in the light-heavyweight men's boxing final at the 2022 Birmingham Commonwealth Games; notes that this win builds on an already successful boxing career, including a gold medal at the 2015 Commonwealth Youth Games and a silver medal at the 2019 Under-22 championships in Russia; recognises the significant contribution that the coaching team had in his victory; further notes that Sean's gold medal victory added to an impressive medal haul by Team Scotland; and wishes Sean all the best for his future boxing career.

335 Inaugural Street Soccer Nations Cup

Tabled: 5/09/22 Signatories: 7

Chris Law
Jim Shannon
Allan Dorans
Jonathan Edwards
Chris Stephens
Stewart Hosie

Patrick Grady

That this House celebrates the inaugural Street Soccer Nations Cup, to be held at Dundee's City Square from 9th to 11th of September; notes that countries participating include all four of the Home Nations, the Republic of Ireland, Ivory Coast, Sweden, Ukraine and Afghanistan; further notes that this tournament has been made possible through support from the Scottish Government, Dundee City Council and a number of partners and sponsors; commends the work of the organisers

at Street Soccer Scotland in bringing together this life-changing tournament, which offers an opportunity for those from disadvantaged backgrounds to represent their country; recognises the importance that football plays in so many local communities across the world; and wishes all competitors all the best for the tournament.

336 100th anniversary of East Renfrewshire Golf Club

Tabled: 5/09/22 Signatories: 6

Kirsten Oswald
Jim Shannon
Allan Dorans
Jonathan Edwards
Chris Stephens
Chris Law

That this House marks the 100th anniversary of East Renfrewshire Golf Club which was founded on 18th January 1922; notes that this significant milestone was marked with a series of festivities including a centenary exhibition match, reciprocal matches with other 1922 centenary clubs, and the James Braid Society which honours the architect of the course; further notes that the progressive club caters for ladies and gentlemen, with members being treated equally with regards to the use of facilities and membership fees; acknowledges that the Club makes a significant positive contribution to local communities in East Renfrewshire; and wishes all the staff, officials, and members at the club all the best for the future.

337 Human rights violations and Saudi Arabia

Tabled: 5/09/22 Signatories: 10

Margaret Ferrier
Mr Alistair Carmichael
Jim Shannon
Jonathan Edwards
Chris Stephens
Hilary Benn

Claudia Webbe
 Patricia Gibson

Kenny MacAskill

Neale Hanvey

That this House is very concerned about the intensified human rights crackdown in Saudi Arabia, including against women; is shocked by the 34-year sentence handed down to Leeds University PhD student Salma al-Shehab for tweets, the 45-year sentence handed down to Nourah al-Qahtani also over her social media activity, and video footage purportedly showing women at an orphanage in Khamis Mushait protesting poor living conditions being attacked by security forces; is dismayed by reports that 120 individuals have been executed in Saudi Arabia in the first six months of this year, with dozens put to death for their participation in pro-democracy demonstrations; believes that the reform programme publicised by the de facto ruler of the Saudi Kingdom Crown Prince Mohammed Bin Salman will only be credible if it mandates compliance with international human rights law and standards; urges the Saudi Government to end the abuse and unwarranted prosecution of individuals in Saudi Arabia exercising their fundamental rights, including freedom of expression, association, assembly and belief; calls on the Government to publicly express their concern about these cases and the need for the immediate release of all peaceful activists, critics and demonstrators in Saudi Arabia.

340 30th year of an open garden in Clarkston

Tabled: 5/09/22 Signatories: 5

Kirsten Oswald
Jim Shannon
Allan Dorans
Chris Stephens
Chris Law

That this House puts on record its appreciation for the hard work and dedication of Fraser and Margo Neilson on their 30th year of hosting an open garden in Clarkston; notes that they provided a tea-room, and a model train set which takes up half of the garden; further appreciates that the running of the open garden would not have been possible without the generous support and contributions from family members, friends, and neighbours; acknowledges that the open garden is facilitated so that all money raised is donated to local charities or national charities which have a local presence, most recently raising £1,376 for the Dementia Dog Project in 2019; and recognises that funds raised this year will be donated to Rebecca Rocks (associated with the Robin House Child Hospice) and the Prince and Princess of Wales Hospice Glasgow; understands that the open garden has attracted attention from across Scotland and out with Scotland, with a recent donation from as far away as Switzerland; and wishes Fraser, Margo, and all those who contribute to the open garden all the best for the future.

341 1st Troon Boys Brigade and 2022 World Pipe Band Championships

Tabled: 5/09/22 Signatories: 11

Dr Philippa Whitford
Allan Dorans
Alan Brown
Richard Thomson
Angus Brendan MacNeil
Kirsten Oswald

Chris Law

Ms Anum Qaisar

Patrick Grady

That this House congratulates the 1st Troon Boys Brigade Pipe Band on winning first place and becoming Champions in the Grade 4B class at the 2022 World Pipe Band Championships, held at Glasgow Green on 12-13 August 2022 in front of 40,000 spectators; commends the musicians, their families and the band leaders for their commitment and effort in maintaining bagpipe teaching and band practice despite the challenges of the covid-19 pandemic; and wishes the band ongoing success in future competitions.

342 50th anniversary of Dickson Primary School, Lurgan

Tabled: 5/09/22 Signatories: 4

Carla Lockhart
Jim Shannon
Paul Girvan
Mr Gregory Campbell

That this House celebrates the 50th anniversary of Dickson Primary School, Lurgan; expresses sincere gratitude to all those who have served the school as staff or Governors in that time for their commitment to education and to the welfare and development of pupils; and further expresses best wishes to the pupils and staff of Dickson Primary School as they mark this milestone, and for the future.

343 90th anniversary of Abercorn Primary School

Tabled: 5/09/22 Signatories: 4

Carla Lockhart
 Jim Shannon
 Paul Girvan
 Mr Gregory Campbell

That this House congratulates Abercorn Primary School on reaching its 90th anniversary this year; pays tribute to the staff and Governors who have contributed to the success of the school through its 90 year history; and wishes the current staff and pupils a very enjoyable anniversary year.

344 Tariff on steel imports into Northern Ireland from Great Britain

Tabled: 5/09/22 Signatories: 4

Carla Lockhart
 Jim Shannon
 Paul Girvan
 Mr Gregory Campbell

That this House believes that trade within the UK should be tariff free; notes guidance issued by HMRC on 24 August 2022 advising of a 25 per cent tariff on some steel exports from Great Britain to Northern Ireland as a consequence of the Northern Ireland Protocol; believes that any such tariff is unacceptable and will result in competitive disadvantage for UK firms; and calls on the Chancellor of the Exchequer to immediately suspend the tariff, and for the Government to move swiftly to replace the Protocol with arrangements that restore Northern Ireland's place within the UK internal market.

345 Principles of democracy

Tabled: 5/09/22 Signatories: 44

David Linden
 Hannah Bardell
 Mhairi Black
 Ian Blackford
 Kirsty Blackman
 Steven Bonnar

Neale Hanvey

That this House asserts the basic principles of democracy whereby 50 percent plus one of those who vote in a democratic ballot commands a majority for change; rejects suggestions that a future British Government would legislate to require more than half of the entire registered Scottish electorate to vote in a future Scottish independence referendum; notes that the Right Honourable Member for South West Norfolk achieved only 47 percent of eligible votes from the Conservative and Unionist Party leadership election; and calls upon the Right Honourable Member for Holborn and St Pancras to similarly disassociate from a suggestion which this House considers to be fundamentally undemocratic.

346 The passing of Mr. Helensburgh Billy Petrie OBE

Tabled: 5/09/22 Signatories: 6

Brendan O'Hara
Jim Shannon
Allan Dorans
Chris Stephens
Chris Law
Patrick Grady

That this House marks with great sadness the passing of Billy Petrie OBE, at the age of 94, following decades of devoted service to his local community, service which earned him the sobriquet Mr. Helensburgh and which was rewarded with his well-deserved elevation to becoming a Freeman of Argyll & Bute in 2012; recognises the remarkable contribution made by Billy who represented the people of Helensburgh as a local councillor for 45 years, through numerous reorganisations of local government, first on Helensburgh Town Council, then Dumbarton District Council and latterly on Argyll & Bute Council; notes that to this day Billy holds the distinction of being the only person in Scotland to have served as Provost of three different local councils and on at least one occasion had the largest majority of any local councillor in Scotland; acknowledges that even in retirement, Billy continued to work tirelessly for the Helensburgh and Lomond community by promoting it as a tourist destination; and conveys our sincere thanks and appreciation to Billy Petrie for a lifetime of public service and sends our deepest condolences to his family and many friends.

347 Tackling drug deaths and stigma

Tabled: 5/09/22 Signatories: 8

Grahame Morris
Jim Shannon
Caroline Lucas
Mick Whitley
Jonathan Edwards
Chris Stephens

Claudia Webbe

Neale Hanvey

That this House notes with alarm data released by the Office for National Statistics on 3 August 2022 showing that a record 4,859 deaths related to drug poisoning were registered in England and Wales in 2021; further notes with alarm figures published by National Records of Scotland on 28 July 2022 revealing that 1,330 people lost their lives to drug misuse in Scotland in 2021, higher than any European country; recognises and reaffirms that people struggling with an alcohol or drug problem should get the same support and treatment as those with any other health condition; acknowledges that stigma stops many people accessing the assistance and resources they require; applauds initiatives such as the Stigma Kills awareness campaign, launched by the NHS Addictions Provider Alliance, and The Reporting of Substance Media Toolkit resource for journalists and editors looking to report on alcohol and drugs with dignity and respect, created by Scottish Families Affected by Alcohol and Drugs and Adfam; and calls on the Government to support the efforts of those challenging stigma, removing barriers to treatment and reducing the devastating level of drug deaths across the UK.

348 Legislative proposals on criminal appeal amendment

Tabled: 5/09/22 Signatories: 8

Mr Barry Sheerman
 Jim Shannon
 Kim Johnson
 Rebecca Long Bailey
 Mick Whitley
 Jonathan Edwards

Neale Hanvey

That this House recognises the tragic impact that miscarriages of justice have on victims, their family and friends; notes that the legal doctrine of Joint Enterprise has been prone to erroneous use through the misapplication of Parasitic Accessorial Liability before 2016 as identified by the Supreme Court in the case of R v Jogee (2016) UKSC 8; acknowledges that avenues for appeal are limited for those convicted with only two out of 103 appeals made with reference to the 2016 judgement having been successful; recognises that this is because of uncertain interpretation and multiple common law judgements that have resulted in a strict set of requirements for an appeal to succeed; is extremely concerned that the limited access to appeals is resulting in miscarriages of justice and that a new avenue for appeals is necessary; and calls on Members to support the Criminal Appeal (Amendment) Bill on Tuesday 6 September 2022 which would give leave to appeal an unspent conviction when there has been a material change to the law.

350 50th Anniversary Ballywalter Bowling Club

Tabled: 5/09/22 Signatories: 4

Jim Shannon
 Paul Girvan
 Patrick Grady
 Gavin Robinson

That this House notes and celebrates the 50th Anniversary of Ballywalter Bowling Club in the constituency of Strangford; highlights its start up in 1972 and subsequent progress and success since then; further highlights their celebrations throughout the month of August and their generosity in community fundraising and charity; conveys great thanks to Ballywalter Bowling Club in offering their premises to Ballywalter PTA for their charity bowling event, that raised over £500 pounds for the local school; notes the popularity and success of their weekly entertainment social clubs where members can come along and watch live sport and music and partake in weekly lottery draws; and wishes them all the best for the next 50 years.

351 World Alzheimer's Month 2022

Tabled: 5/09/22 Signatories: 10

Jim Shannon
 Jonathan Edwards
 Claudia Webbe
 Paul Girvan
 Mr Gregory Campbell
 Ben Lake

Hywel Williams
 Gavin Robinson

Liz Saville Roberts

Neale Hanvey

That this House notes and applauds the campaign of World Alzheimer's Month during the month of September, celebrated by global charities including Dementia UK and Alzheimer's Disease

International; highlights the aim of raising awareness of the challenges and stigma that surrounds Alzheimer's and Dementia; further highlights that this campaign has been running since 2012, with September 21st being celebrated as World Alzheimer's Day; emphasises that globally, Dementia is one of the biggest health challenges we face, with nearly 50 million people living with Dementia worldwide; further emphasises the importance of tackling this international challenge and providing support, routine and financial dependence; and sends thanks to our UK Alzheimer's and Dementia charities for all their hard work and dedication in providing crucial support and assistance to those struggling and living with the challenges of Alzheimer's.

352 Sentences of Imprisonment for Public Protection

Tabled: 5/09/22 Signatories: 3

John McDonnell
Jonathan Edwards
Kate Hollern

That this House expresses concern that too many men and women are trapped in the prison system with no fair prospect of release under the discredited Sentences of Imprisonment for Public Protection (IPP), expresses further concern that it is ten years since the IPP sentence was abolished and still the sentence is not working; notes there are 1,554 unreleased IPP prisoners as at March 2022 and 1,392 are recalled mainly for administrative issues and the numbers are rising so much so that it is predicted that the recall rate will outweigh the unreleased by 2026; further notes 72 IPP prisoners have taken their own lives not including those that have taken their own lives in the community once released, believes the IPP sentence is harmful to prisoners and has caused mental health illness for many IPP prisoners because they have no release date and no hope; and calls on the Government to resentence all IPP prisoners and ensure the help and support is out there to enable people to reintegrate back into society and become a worthy member of their community.

353 150th Anniversary of the Burgh of Grangemouth

Tabled: 5/09/22 Signatories: 6

Martyn Day
Allan Dorans
Chris Stephens
Jim Shannon
Chris Law
Patrick Grady

That this House notes that this year marks the 150th anniversary of Grangemouth becoming a Burgh; acknowledges that in 1872, Grangemouth's Burgh Council was established, with nine Burgh Commissioners elected to run the newly constituted Burgh of Grangemouth under the General Police and Improvement (Scotland) Act 1862; notes that this important democratic change preceded a period of investment in public facilities, including the establishment of Zetland Park and the Victoria Public Library; notes this chapter in Grangemouth's story of growth from a small village and quay in the 1770s to a major port and centre of industry by the 20th century; and celebrates the enduring community spirit of Portonians to this day.

354 Eilish McColgan Commonwealth Games 10,000m Champion

Tabled: 5/09/22 Signatories: 4

Chris Law
 Allan Dorans
 Chris Stephens
 Jim Shannon

That this House congratulates Eilish McColgan on her inspirational victory in the 10,000m at the Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games; further congratulates the Dundonian long-distance runner on her time of 30:40.68, a new Games Record; recognises the role both her club, Dundee Hawkhill Harriers, and her coaching team have had in her victory; notes that Eilish's gold medal follows her mother Liz's successes at the Commonwealth Games in the same event at both the 1986 and 1990 Commonwealth Games; further notes that earlier this year Eilish set a new British and European record for 10km at the Great Manchester Run and a new Scottish national record for the 10,000m at the FBK Games; and wishes Eilish and all at Dundee Hawkhill Harriers all the best for the rest of the season.

355 100 year anniversary of Pentland Plants

Tabled: 5/09/22 Signatories: 5

Owen Thompson
 Allan Dorans
 Chris Stephens
 Jim Shannon
 Chris Law

That this House wishes Pentland Plants all the very best on their 100 year anniversary this year; notes that the Loanhead-based company, which includes a retail garden centre and plant nursery, engages in a wide range of products and services, including growing over 50 million plants a year, selling plug plants throughout the UK, supplying finished bedding to parks, travelling to flower trials to source new varieties, and more; further notes that the business's history stretches back to 1922 when Joseph Spray, grandfather of current director Carolyn Spray, became involved in horticulture through working in a market garden in Leamington Spa and growing vegetables and flowers in his smallholding after serving in the First World War; celebrates Pentland Plants' history of innovation, including having the UK's first replugging machine and the use of a biomass boiler to make growing poinsettias over Christmas possible; wishes Pentland Plants all the best for their birthday celebration event on 13-14 August, during which there will be a special afternoon tea, fun fair, food stalls, face painting, tombola, games, and prizes; and thanks Pentland Plants for their contribution to Midlothian's horticultural and business communities.

356 Sam Hickey Commonwealth Games Middleweight Boxing Champion

Tabled: 5/09/22 Signatories: 4

Chris Law
 Allan Dorans
 Chris Stephens
 Jim Shannon

That this House congratulates Lochee's Sam Hickey on his gold medal in the Middleweight Division at the Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games; further congratulates Sam on being named Best Male Boxer of the Games; notes that Sam's win against Australia's Callum Peters in the final followed victories against St Lucia's Kyghan Mortley, Nigeria's Benson Adeyinka and England's Lewis Richardson over the course of the Games; further notes that this followed his success in the European Championships earlier this year, where he was the first Scot to medal in over 18 years;

recognises the important influence that Lochee Amateur Boxing Club has had in Sam's success; further recognises the important role that boxing both historically had and continues to have in the local community; and wishes Sam all the best for the future.

357 Achievements of Daniel Cornet

Tabled: 6/09/22 Signatories: 13

Douglas Chapman
 Jim Shannon
 Allan Dorans
 Chris Law
 Angela Crawley
 John Nicolson

Kirsten Oswald
 Gavin Newlands
 Neale Hanvey

Richard Thomson
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Patrick Grady
 Dave Doogan

That this House praises Dunfermline's Daniel Cornet on winning gold in mini tennis at the British Transplant Games; notes that Daniel accomplished this just one week after leaving hospital following a major operation; commends Daniel for the strength and resilience he has shown since he was diagnosed with end stage renal failure shortly after being born; encourages others going through a similar experience to take inspiration from Daniel to never give up; and wishes Daniel and his family all the best for the future.

358 Heriot-Watt University bicentenary 1821 Appeal

Tabled: 6/09/22 Signatories: 7

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 Patrick Grady
 Jim Shannon

Neale Hanvey

That this House congratulates Heriot-Watt University on raising over £4 million for its 1821 Appeal; acknowledges that the initiative was launched with the aim to widen access to education at Heriot-Watt University by providing opportunities to all students regardless of their background, ethnicity, disability or gender; understands that this fundraising effort will enable eight projects to support under-represented students across Heriot-Watt University campuses in Scotland, Dubai and Malaysia by providing financial support and by helping students build important career and life skills; notes that the 1821 Appeal was launched as part of Heriot-Watt's bicentenary celebrations in June 2021 and will run for the next four years; recognises that more than 480 donors, alumni and friends of Heriot-Watt University from across the world contributed over the project's fundraising period between June 2021 and August 2022; welcomes the transformative benefits of inclusive education on the economy and society; and applauds Heriot-Watt University's ongoing efforts to widen participation in higher education.

359 International Clean Air Day 2022 and car manufacturers

Tabled: 6/09/22 Signatories: 9

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Claudia Webbe
Jonathan Edwards
Mr Barry Sheerman [R]
Jim Shannon
Margaret Ferrier

Wayne David

Christina Rees

Kenny MacAskill

That this House celebrates International Clean Air Day 2022 on Wednesday 7 September; acknowledges that air pollution is the largest environmental risk to public health in the UK, accounting for as many as 64,000 premature deaths each year; expresses deep concern over reports that the emissions scandal has resulted in an extra 10.2 million vehicles worth of emissions in the UK; criticises the failure of car manufacturers previously found to have cheated emissions rules to take action in the UK to address both the environmental and human health impact of their conduct; recognises that these car manufacturers celebrated a combined total of nearly £220 billion in second-quarter earnings alone; urges car manufacturers to stop putting profit ahead of public health and take immediate action to reduce emissions through hardware retrofits and compensate affected owners; further notes that in Germany hardware retrofits for 60 separate diesel models have reduced nitrogen dioxide emissions by 60-95%; and calls on the Government to take decisive action against car manufacturers to reduce levels of toxic air pollution.

360 Belhaven Brewery

Tabled: 6/09/22 Signatories: 3

Kenny MacAskill
Jim Shannon
Neale Hanvey

That this House congratulates Belhaven Brewery, Scotland's oldest working brewery, on receiving three awards for its visitor centre and its Scottish Oat Stout at the World Beer Awards; understands that the visitor centre won the highly coveted Visitor Attraction of the Year title in the competition's inaugural Icons of Beer sector, and that Belhaven's Scottish Old Stout was crowned the World's Best Oatmeal Stout after winning the UK's Best Oat Stout in August; notes that the visitor centre underwent a multi-million-pound refurbishment last year before being officially opened by Paralympic medal winner Maria Lyle; and acknowledges that Belhaven Brewery was established in 1719 and is known today as The Home of Scottish Brewing and produces more than three hundred types of premium beers and ales.

361 Dr Hugh Nicholson and research into new treatments for ovarian cancer

Tabled: 6/09/22 Signatories: 4

Kenny MacAskill
Jonathan Edwards
Jim Shannon
Neale Hanvey

That this House commends Dr Hugh Nicholson, previously a pupil at North Berwick High School, on being at the forefront of ground breaking research into new treatments for ovarian cancer; understands that the project undertaken by NHS Tayside with scientists looking at how ovarian cancer cells become resistant to treatment and how this could be reversed; congratulates Dr Nicholson on his key role in the study, designing, optimising and carrying out all the experiments

which formed part of his 85,000 word thesis; praises the important part that the patients at Ninewells Hospital in Dundee played in donating precious samples that formed the backbone of the study; understands that through the analysis of these samples, scientists were able to discover how cells become resistant to chemotherapy drugs and how they can become 'resensitised' to create more effective treatments for the disease; thanks Dr Nicholson for his ground breaking works; and wishes him all the best for the future.

362 Appointment of an Arctic Ambassador

Tabled: 6/09/22 Signatories: 8

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Allan Dorans
Ronnie Cowan
Chris Law

Patrick Grady

Neale Hanvey

That this House recognises the significance and importance of the US Government's new appointment of an Ambassador to the Arctic; recognises that this initiative reflects the US Government's understanding of the geopolitical sensitivities and strategic importance of the Arctic region; and supports my earlier call for the Government to appoint an Ambassador to the Arctic to reaffirm our commitment to collaboration, co-operation and closer political engagement with our High North neighbours.