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Forth Replacement Crossing - the caissons arrive

I have had a lovely sunny Saturday evening "messaging about on the river" in the name of "work". The excuse was the recording of one of the milestones of the Forth Replacement Crossing: the arrival of the cylindrical caissons which will help form the main foundations for two of the bridge's three towers.

I couldn't help breathing in as the caissons slid underneath the Forth Road Bridge without any hitches, on a barge the length of a Premier League football pitch. The largest caisson is 30m high by 30m diameter - approximately the same size as an 8-storey building. It weighs 1200 tonnes making it one of the largest steel caissons ever sunk down to the seabed anywhere in the world.

The caissons act as a "mould" for the concrete foundations to be formed. Once the caisson is in place on the seabed, underwater concrete will be poured in to a depth of 14m below sea level. The concrete "plug" will form the base of the foundations.

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Hooray! Thanks to the brilliant coaches at Edinburgh Triathletes I am now a 1/2 IRONWOMAN triathlete - but with a very RUSTY back. Before the heatwave I was worried the lake at Belvoir Castle would be so cold the Beaver Triathlon swim would be cancelled. But there was more danger of heat exhaustion than hypothermia! And now what? Longer or faster? Decisions, decisions.....



Baby photography

The sweetest little baby has just turned up to have her photograph taken in our beautiful studio. There were no tears and she was exhausted before me. Babies change so quickly. I hope she will visit soon for another session.



Getty images

I spend spare work time submitting images to stock libraries Getty and Photoshot. There's no point having zillions of images in hard drives when they could be enjoyed by others and bring in some cash. This pic of a polar bear chewing ribs has been used in many books and magazines! More of my images can be viewed: <http://www.gettyimages.com> <http://www.photoshot.com> If you need other images please contact me directly.



Xodus portraits

I was commissioned by Aberdeen-based Artech to carry out three photoshoots for energy consultancy Xodus Group at offices in Aberdeen, Edinburgh and London. A trip to London meant I could also visit "Captain Robert Falcon Scott's Last Expedition" at the Natural History Museum, and squeeze in "BBC Wildlife Photographer of the Year 2011". Xodus has a work hard/play hard approach too, which I captured in the photoshoot the following day. <http://www.xodusgroup.com/>



The Olympic torch relay arrived in Edinburgh over the Forth Road Bridge. And the next day it was carried by Erika Pryde through Loanhead.

<http://www.annahenly.co.uk/blog/>



MSc in Petroleum Engineering

I sat the Production Technology exam for the MSc at Heriot Watt University in April. This revealed how engineers get oil & gas out of a reservoir once the geologists have found it, and the drillers have drilled it very tricky!



This is the new studio at **The Tryst, Old Pentland Road, Edinburgh,**

now welcoming people and products.....

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for more examples of my work, plus prices!



I wish you a happy and healthy summer - and all the British Olympians a successful London 2012.

P.S And tans not sunburn, once our summer arrives....

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A final wave from Olympic mascot, Wenlock.

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