

# Ethan J MacColl

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## Profile

I am currently studying a 4-year course in Media and Communication at Glasgow Caledonian University. I enjoy working in groups to achieve a common goal and always work to the best of my ability in every situation. I have a sizable amount of experience working in the hospitality industry therefore have great customer and public relations skills set.

## Education

### Crombie primary

*August 2010 – July 2017*

### Westhill Academy

*August 2017 – May 2023*

My results in my S4 National 5 exams are as follows: Modern Studies: A, Chemistry: B, Computing Science: B, Mathematics: B, and Business Management: D.

My results in my S5 exams are as follows: National 5 English: A Higher Modern Studies: A, and Higher Chemistry: C. Additionally, I passed my Foundation Apprenticeships in Business Skills and Creative & Digital Media.

My results in my S6 exams are as follows: National 5 Practical Cookery: A, Higher English: B, and Advanced Higher Modern Studies: F. In addition, I passed my National Progress Award in Journalism.

### Glasgow Caledonian University

*September 2023 – Present*

I started studying a 4-year course in Media and Communication at Glasgow Caledonian University.

## Interests

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| • Rugby   | • Formula 1              | • Radio  | • Paddle boarding |
| • Media   | • Horse riding           | • Cars   | • Cooking         |
| • Baking  | • Television/film making | • Golf   | • Computing       |
| • Beavers | • Cubs                   | • Scouts | • Air cadets      |

## Work experience

### Yan Oriental Restaurant

*September 2019 – February 2020*

I was a waiter at Yan Oriental Restaurant where I learned some valuable skills of how to deal with situations that have to be resolved quite fast. It also gave me the skills of meeting and greeting customers professionally, carrying trays, setting places, having to be in charge of a part of the restaurant by myself.

## **Volunteering at SensationALL**

*November 2019 – November 2021*

SensationALL is a Local Westhill charity which helps children with learning disabilities. It is called Sensation**ALL** because they support people of all ages, all conditions, and all family members.

I have volunteered at many different activities at SensationALL for example:

- Musicall, I supported the Musicall group at which we danced to music then did some yoga. I helped the kids enjoy themselves (as well of making sure that they were safe and well) and I gave them and their parents teas, coffees, etc.
- Christmas fare, I sold tickets for the tombola and the guess the key that fits in the lock. After that I went and played with/supervised the kids in the soft play area.
- Monday mayhem, set up the smart board and the table tennis. Played table tennis, played cars with some boys, drew on the smart board.
- I have used my IT skills to collect together information about work that some of these users have done during their weeks at SensationALL and presented them using software such as Microsoft Word and PowerPoint.

In January 2020 I received my Volunteer Protecting Vulnerable Groups (PVG) certificate allowing me to be able to work with children whilst volunteer with SensationALL.

## **Westhill Golf Club**

*September 2020 – February 2023*

I started as a waiter at Westhill Golf Club, but it is not just serving plates it is also helping to prepare the meals by plating up, preparing food (i.e. cutting, peeling, etc), serving drinks, cleaning areas, taking on and processing customers feedback, etc.

## **Feed Baron (Herbs & Meats LTD)**

*March 2023 – August 2023*

The Feed Baron Took over the catering at Westhill Golf Club. I have retained a very similar job; however, we are much busier therefore enhancing my skill set.

## **Westhill Golf Club**

*August 2023 – September 2023*

I re-joined Westhill Golf Club as a barman. In this role it allowed me to continue the great repour I had with the customers but also gave me the opportunity to learn a new skill set. As part of this I got taught how to pour a pint, cash up the till at the end of the night, and I got the responsibility of make sure that the clubhouse was locked up correctly and securely at the end of the day.

## **Radio Caley**

*October 2023 – Present*

I started presenting my weekly radio show, EJ MAC, on the university's student radio station, Radio Caley. My show has helped me to improve my skill set and continue to build on my previous radio experience from presenting on SHMU FM. I aim for my show to have a news/topical style with often having guests adding there opinion/analysis. James Cairney, sports journalist at the Herald, Gully Singh, BBC Sports Scotland reporter, and Murray Anderson, co-host of the rugby connection podcast, have all regularly featured on my Thursday morning show.

## **Partick Thistle football club**

*December 2023 – Present*

I started work experience with championship side Patrick Thistle. Within my role I am either providing social media updates from the match for the team's pages or I will be filming the game for the team's live broadcast. This work experience is providing me with hands on experience in getting to use an array of different equipment but also other tasks that need to be done within a football team's media department.

## **Achievements**

### **British Heart Foundation Heartstart course**

*September 2019*

I passed my British Heart Foundation Heartstart course through my time at Air cadets.

### **Duke of Edinburgh**

*October 2019 – Present*

I passed my Bronze and I'm currently doing my Silver Duke of Edinburgh award.

## **Jamie Hepburn MSP interview**

*December 2021*

I was a part of a group who interviewed the Scottish Government 'Minister for Higher Education and Further Education, Youth Employment and Training', Jamie Hepburn MSP.

## **Aberdeen city councillors' interview**

*January 2022*

I interviewed the then Leader of the Aberdeen city council, Jenny Laing, and the Leader of the Liberal Democrats for Aberdeen City Council, Ian Yuill. This was for a short film regarding the possibility of the Pedestrianisation of some of Aberdeen's main streets.

## **EJMAC**

*November 2022 - Present*

EJMAC is the Private Limited Company that I intend to use to create and develop my portfolio. My portfolio is called ejmac\_interviews and is currently live across multiple different social media platforms and my website, [ejmac.co.uk](http://ejmac.co.uk). I have an ever-expanding portfolio of interviews, with interviews including Rob Beckett, and Maisie Adam being available to view.

## **School**

### **School newspaper**

*August 2018 – March 2020, June 2022 – May 2023*

I started writing articles for Westhill Academy's school newspaper. I used this opportunity to have an interview with Jake Canuso from the hit ITV sitcom Benidorm.

### **Pupil Participation Forum (PPF)**

*September 2018 – August 2021*

I was one of the four Westhill Academy Pupil Participation Forum members. They have seven meetings a year with 17 secondary schools from all across Aberdeenshire. We did set up and made several different resources. For example, we created a young entrepreneur film and it features local entrepreneurs, such like the greatly successful Sir Ian Wood.

### **House Captain**

*May 2019 – May 2020*

I was one of the first ever seven Junior House Captains at my school. Through the Junior house captains I passed my anti-bullying ambassador training for the Diana award, In September 2019. Under this role my duties included:

- To assist at parents evening.
- Promote school uniform.
- Work positively with all staff, house captains, and pupils.

### **Youth Philanthropy Initiative (YPI)**

*October 2019 – January 2020*

I organised the meetings with our group and Emma More (Community fundraiser for CHAS, for Aberdeen and Dundee.) I designed the PowerPoint that we presented to the class and the head teacher at my school.

### **Prefect**

*May 2021 – May 2022*

I became one of the multiple Prefects at my School. This meant that I had to:

- Supervise in the canteen at breaks and lunch.
- Patrol the corridors and out of bound areas.
- Help in the library at break and lunchtimes.
- To assist at information evenings.
- To assist at parents evening.
- Promote school uniform.
- Work positively with all staff, house captains, and pupils.

### **Outstanding Student Award**

*April 2023*

I won the Westhill Academy, Albert Thomson Diced Cap Charitable Trust Outstanding Student Award.