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Electric Scotland's Weekly Newsletter for September 19th, 2025

Electric Scotland News

My Canadian Experience

Most days I add one or two videos to the current months postings and you can read this months entries at:
http://www.electriccanadian.com/canada_add25.htm

From what I can see Canada is working on doing more with Mexico and China and will shortly make far reaching decisions on defence purchases. On defence there are decisions on submarines with the short list now between South Korea and Germany. Fighter aircraft now seems to be between the USA and Sweden. From a purely economic argument it would seem the Swedish option is better for Canada.

Scottish News from this weeks newspapers

I am partly doing this to build an archive of modern news from and about Scotland and world news stories that can affect Scotland and as all the newsletters are archived and also indexed on search engines it becomes a good resource. I might also add that in a number of newspapers you will find many comments which can be just as interesting as the news story itself and of course you can also add your own comments if you wish which I do myself from time to time.

Here is what caught my eye this week...

The newly discovered desert city that's rewriting the history of the Americas
On Peru's desert hillsides, archaeologists have uncovered a 3,800-year-old city that may reshape our understanding of the cradle of civilisation in the Americas.

Read more at:

<https://www.bbc.com/travel/article/20250910-perus-new-city-uneearthed-from-the-desert>

Moscow's Belarus Land Bridge Is Gone—Millions Panic as Poland Shuts Down All Border Crossings

Poland has shut all land border crossings with Belarus until further notice, citing security risks tied to Russian made drone incursions near Rzeszów/Lublin and the concurrent Zapad-2025 drill window.

Watch this at:

<https://youtu.be/4Z9PuGHFThQ?si=R-qEjtC10yY4WTZr>

Clydebuilt ship that changed the world celebrated with new replica

A Clydebuilt ship that helped transform world shipbuilding is to be commemorated again in the town where it was launched more than 200 years ago. Inverclyde Council has awarded a contract to build a new replica of Henry Bell's Comet, Europe's first commercially successful steamship, which first sailed from Port Glasgow in

1812.

Read more at:

<https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c1jz5dkx23go>

Five challenges facing Canada's Mark Carney

A trade war with its largest economic partner, a faltering economy - and a lot of promises to deliver on. These are only some of the high-stake tests facing Canadian Prime Minister Mark Carney as parliament returns for the autumn sitting on Monday. Here is a look at some of the political pressures on his Liberal government's horizon.

Read more at:

<https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/ckg2700vzrko>

Conrad Black: I was with Trump when Charlie Kirk died. He grieved like a leader
The president had no thoughts except charity for the bereaved and concern for the country

Read more at:

<https://archive.is/Uma5F>

Scottish Government buried criticism of flagship business scheme

Officials have been accused of presiding over a "culture of secrecy" after hiding from the public all negative comments about the visits.

Read more at:

<https://www.sundaypost.com/fp/techscaler-criticism/>

FURIOUS South Korea SLAMS Trump After DISASTER Immigration RAID

MAGA Karen, Tori Branum, calls ICE on South Korean nationals working at a Georgia Hyundai plant, possibly causing the destruction of economic relations between South Korea and the US. But the real blame is on Felon Trump and his immigration policies. Katie Phang brings the latest from South Korea as it launches a human rights violation investigation into the detention of its citizens & why MAGA's racism is bad for business.

Watch this at:

<https://youtu.be/tTIUZoqTJOQ?si=Y69x1TWVO5Gfj5tf>

Operation Rockall successfully completed: The tiny island seized by Britain to foil the USSR

Seventy years ago, the British Empire claimed its last piece of territory – a bleak and uninhabited island, 260 miles (420km) west of Scotland's Outer Hebrides. In 1955, a Royal Navy commander told the BBC about securing Rockall, which remains the site of rival claims even today.

Read more at:

<https://www.bbc.com/culture/article/20250912-the-tiny-island-seized-by-britain-to-foil-the-ussr>

Scientists pinpoint the brain's internal mileage clock

Scientists have for the first time located the "mileage clock" inside a brain - by recording the brain activity of running rats.

Read more at:

<https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/crkjn6r7j23o>

Donald Trump's second UK state visit: Here's what we know

On the second day of his UK state visit, US President Donald Trump joined Prime Minister Sir Keir Starmer at his country estate. Trump paid tribute to what he called the "unbreakable bond" between the countries.

Read more at:

<https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c8rynv1m6zjo>

Mexico and Canada are meeting without Trump - here's why
Mexico's President Claudia Sheinbaum and Canada's Prime Minister Mark Carney are expected to meet in Mexico on Thursday. The goal of the meeting is to kickstart a new economic relationship, that excludes the US. Both countries have been hit by US President Donald Trump's tariffs, though he has temporarily paused the levies against Mexico.

Watch this at:

<https://www.bbc.com/news/videos/cx20qgzz6eko>

Key extraordinary moments around the John Muir Trust AGM

The John Muir Trust's annual general meeting was held online on Monday September 15 against a backdrop of criticisms and allegations, including calls for the CEO and chair to resign.

Read more at:

<https://archive.is/u6lc3>

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Life of Sir William E. Logan, Kt., LL.D., F.R.S., F.G.S.

First Director of the Geological Survey of Canada, Chiefly Compiled from his letters, Journals and Reports by Bernard J. Harrington, B.A., Ph. D. (1883) (pdf)

You can read this at:

<http://www.electriccanadian.com/makers/lifeofsirwilliam00harr.pdf>

The Revivalist and Anglo-American Magazine
For 1844 (pdf)

You can read this volume at:

<http://www.electriccanadian.com/Religion/revivalistandan00cogoog.pdf>

Ungava

A Tale of Esquimaux-Land by Robert Michael Ballantyne (1857) (pdf)

You can read this book at:

<http://www.electriccanadian.com/history/first/inuit/ungavataleofesqu00ballrich.pdf>

Thoughts on a Sunday Morning - the 14th day of September 2025 - Heroes & History
By The Rev. Nola Crewe

You can watch this at:

<http://www.electricscotland.org/forum/communities/rev-nola-crewe/26655-thoughts-on-a-sunday-morning-the-14th-day-of-september-2025-heroes-history>

The Journal of Duncan M'Gillivray

Of the North West Company at Fort George on the Saskatchewan, 1794-5 With Introduction, Notes and Appendix by Arthur S. Morton, Professor of History, University of Saskatchewan (1929) (pdf)

You can read his journal at:

<http://www.electriccanadian.com/transport/hudsonbay/The-Journal-of-Duncan-M'Gillivray.pdf>

The Beaver Magazine
Added No. 1 Outfit 261 June 1930 (pdf)

You can read this issue at:

<http://www.electriccanadian.com/transport/hudsonbay/TheBeaverJune1930.pdf>

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Poems by the Rev. Mr. John Logan
One of the Ministers of Leith (1781) (pdf)

You can read this book at:

<https://electricscotland.com/poetry/poemsbyrevmrlog00logagoog.pdf>

Clan Mackenzie at the 2025 Inverness Highland Games
A Proud First for the Initiative (pdf)

You can read this at:

<https://electricscotland.com/webclans/m/clanmackenzieinitiativejuly2025.pdf>

The Last Earl of Seaforth
From the Clan MacKenzie Initiative (2025) (pdf)

You can read this at:

<https://electricscotland.com/history/nation/lastearlofseaforth.pdf>

Clan Leslie Newsletter
Got in their September 2025 newsletter which you can read at:
<https://electricscotland.com/familytree/newsletters/leslieint/index.htm>

Leith Hay
Added a page for this name due to getting an email in about them.

You can read this at:

<https://electricscotland.com/webclans/htol/leith-hay.html>

John A. Logan
Politician and Soldier by James P. Jones (1960) (pdf)

You can read about him at:

<https://electricscotland.com/history/america/civilwar/johnaloganpoliti00jonerich.pdf>

The Great Conspiracy
Its Origin and History by John Logan (1886) (pdf)

You can read about this version of the Civil War at:

<https://electricscotland.com/history/america/greatconspiracyi00logauoft.pdf>

Breaking the Cycle
Three foundations to boost British prosperity, drive up growth and escape the debt trap By Gerard Lyons

You can read this report at:

https://electricscotland.com/independence/sip/CPS_BREAKING_THE_CYCLE-1.pdf

Edinburgh up Seven Places in Demos-PwC UK Cities Growth Index
Edinburgh's Chamber of Commerce reports the Scottish Capital has reached 2nd place behind only York in the Demos-PwC's Good Growth for Cities' Annual Index - up seven places on 2024. An article by Bill Magee.

You can read this article at:

<https://electricscotland.com/magee/article0037.htm>

The Home Manual

Everybody's Guide in Social, Domestic, and Business Life, a Treasury of Useful Information for the Million prepared by Mrs. John A. Logan, Prof. William Mathews, Catherine Owen, and Will Carleton (1889) (pdf)

You can read this at:

<https://electricscotland.com/history/america/homemanualeveryb00loga.pdf>

Autobiography of John Logan Campbell
With his compliments (1940) (pdf)

You can read this at:

<https://electricscotland.com/history/america/autobiographyofj00camp.pdf>

Story

The Celtic Trews

WHEN the Baron of Bradwardine complimented Waverley upon the handsome figure he presented when fully attired as a Highland gentleman, he incidentally drew a comparison between the respective merits of the kilt and the trews, giving his decision in favour of the latter. 'Ye wear the trews,' he observed, 'a garment whilk I approve maist of the twa, as mair ancient and seemly.' There may be a difference of opinion at the present day as to which of these two varieties of Highland garb is the more seemly, but there is no doubt as to the antiquity of the trews, regarded as a part of the Celtic dress. Scott himself, speaking in his own person, states that Waverley had 'now fairly assumed the "garb of old Gaul,"' and there is sufficient evidence that this statement is correct, making due allowance for some modifications in vogue in the eighteenth century, and introduced at one time or another during that period and the immediately preceding centuries.

You can view the picture and read the whole article at:

<https://electricscotland.com/history/articles/review/review4.htm>

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Weekend is almost here and hope it's a good one for you.

Alastair