

Electric Scotland's Weekly Newsletter for November 14th 2025

Electric Scotland News

My Canadian Experience

This week added some information on Canada's \$20B Submarine Deal with South Korea. Also some coverage of Remembrance Day activities and news about Ontario breaking ground on battery storage project.

You can read what I've put up to date at:

http://www.electriccanadian.com/canada add27.htm

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...

America is being stifled by short-term 'wins'

Despite a tumultuous year, markets continue to bet on American liquidity and growth. But while the outlook looks promising, the United States is systematically trading strategic advantages for tactical gains, and the costs are accumulating in ways that won't become apparent until it's too late.

Read more at:

https://archive.is/BSiUH

Honest, rigorous and kind: David Gow as mentor

David McAllister, production and associate editor at Prospect magazine, pays tribute to the honesty and generosity of David Gow: kind, forthright, never patronising

Read more at:

https://sceptical.scot/2025/11/honest-rigorous-and-kind-david-gow-as-mentor/

Princess Anne Attends Remembrance Sunday Service During Sydney Visit

Princess Anne pulled on her army greens to meet hundreds of Australian servicemen and women during a day of official duties in Sydney. She commemorated the hundredth anniversary of the Royal Australian Signal Corps at a garden party and spoke of her hopes for enduring peace during a special Remembrance Day service.

Watch this at:

https://youtu.be/c9WpRNxSYoM?si=XnGAV6jr7x7P-kyq

Scotland's 'best chippies' crowned at 2025 Scottish Fish and Chip Awards Takeaways up and down the country took home top prizes.

Read more at:

https://www.dailyrecord.co.uk/scotland-now/scotlands-best-chippies-crowned-2025-36229301

Game designers bring Scotland's mysterious Picts to life

Game designers have teamed up with archaeologists to create a new illustrated guide to a mysterious early medieval Scottish society.

Read more at:

https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/cgl9pwvg9kvo

The WW1 piper who marched through gas, bullets and bombs to save his regiment There were many acts of courage in World War One but few could match that of piper Daniel Laidlaw.

Read more at:

https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/ckgk057ly30o

Separated by a century

War correspondent on moment he truly grasped the sacrifice of great-grandad who fell on the Western Front

Read more at:

https://www.sundaypost.com/fp/reporters-pilgrimage-to-honour-great-grandfather-who-fell-on-western-front/

SSE £33bn Scotland energy plan creates Highlands jobs

SSE has unveiled plans for a multi-billion pound increase in spending on the UK's green energy infrastructure as it highlighted the prospect of a once-in-a-generation investment to rewire the north of Scotland.

Read more at:

https://archive.is/NccLP

Conrad Black: Carney squanders all his goodwill on bloated budget

Canada needs aggressive reform. This barely scratches the surface

Read more at:

https://archive.is/b7CWB

Scotland needs an alternative - Reform and Reboot

Now that the Labour government has shown itself as disastrous as the Tories and equally incapable of getting to grips with the threats to the UK's survival, should Scots abandon the sinking ship and line up behind John Swinney and his latest call for independence?

Read more at:

https://thinkscotland.org/2025/11/scotland-needs-an-alternative-reform-and-reboot/

Audit Scotland warns low growth hitting Holyrood's Budget

Scots are paying record income tax, but sluggish economic growth means Holyrood's Budget is seeing less than half the benefit, the Auditor General has warned.

Read more at:

https://archive.is/iPOce

The Law, the Lie, and the Scottish People

The 48 Hours That Exposed Everything

Read more at:

https://annemarieward.substack.com/p/the-law-the-lie-and-the-scottish

North-West Fox

Or, Fox from the North-West passage by Captaine Lvke Foxe of Kingstone upon Hull (1635) (pdf)

You can read this old book at:

http://www.electriccanadian.com/history/northvvestfoxorf00foxe.pdf

Rod and Gun in Canada

The Outdoor Man's Magazine Volume 4

You can read this issue at:

http://www.electriccanadian.com/magazines/rodandgun.htm

Royal 22nd Regiment

The Van Doos (Wikipedia pdf)

You can read this at:

http://www.electriccanadian.com/forces/Royal 22nd Regiment.pdf

Thoughts on a Sunday Morning the 9th day of November 2025 Remembering By The Re. Nola Crewe

You can watch this at:

http://www.electricscotland.org/forum/communities/rev-nola-crewe/26671-thoughts-on-a-sunday-morning-the-9th-day-of-november-2025-rememering

The Beaver Magazine

Added No. 1 Outfit 263 June 1932 (pdf)

You can read this issue at:

http://www.electriccanadian.com/transport/hudsonbay/TheBeaverJune1932.pdf

Canadian Budget

For the year 2025 (pdf)

You can read this at:

http://www.electriccanadian.com/transport/budget2025.pdf

Electric Scotland

David Douglas

Added two pdf files to his page at:

https://electricscotland.com/history/other/douglas_david.htm

Calendar of the State Papers relating to Scotland and Mary, Queen of Scots 1547-1603 Preserved in the Public Record Office, the British Museum, and Elsewhere in England Edited by Joseph Bain in thirteen volumes (1898)

Each volume provides an excellent introduction to the contents.

You can read all these volumes at:

https://electricscotland.com/history/records/statepapers.htm

Yahoo Canada Highlights 'World-First" Scots/North American Remote Stroke Operation Success In a Transatlantic first. Operating from the "City of Discovery" Dundee, Professor Iris Grunwald performed the first remote

thrombectomy to remove blood clots from the brain to restore blood flow on a human cadaver. Meanwhile in Florida Dr Ricardo Hanel used the robotic device to operate on a body from across the Atlantic some 6,500 kilometres apart. An article by Bill Magee.

You can read this article at:

https://electricscotland.com/magee/article0042.htm

The Dundee Market Crosses & Tolbooths With views of new & old Dundee by William Kidd (1901) (pdf)

You can read this book at:

https://electricscotland.com/history/dundee/ExtractedHistoryDundeeMackie.pdf

The Crime Against the Yakimas By Lucullus V. McWhorter (1913) (pdf)

You can read this book at:

https://electricscotland.com/history/america/crimeagainstyaki00mcwhrich.pdf

Clan Murray

Added an old document "The Chiefship of the Clan Murray" with notices of the Morays of Bothwell, Murrays of Touchadam and Polmaise, Morays of Abercairney, and Murrays of Tullibardine (Dukes of Atholl) (pdf) and also a link to their clan society.

You can get to this at:

https://electricscotland.com/webclans/m/murray.html

Camp and Quarters, Scenes and Impressions of Military Life Interspersed with anecdotes of various well-known characters who flourished in the war by Major John Patterson in two volumes (1840)

You can read these volumes at:

https://electricscotland.com/history/scotreg/campandguarters.htm

Story

The Arctic Prairies

A Canoe Journey of 2,000 miles in search of the Caribou; being the account of a voyage to the region north of Aylmer Lake by Ernest Thompson Seton (1912)

What young man of our race would not gladly give a year of his life to roll backward the scroll of time for five decades and live that year in the romantic bygone days of the Wild West; to see the great Missouri while the Buffalo pastured on its banks, while big game teemed in sight and the red man roamed and hunted, unchecked by fence or hint of white man's rule; or, when that rule was represented only by scattered trading-posts, hundreds of miles apart, and at best the traders could exchange the news by horse or canoe and months of lonely travel?

I, for one, would have rejoiced in tenfold payment for the privilege of this backward look in our age, and had reached the middle life before I realised that, at a much less heavy cost, the miracle was possible to-day.

For the uncivilised Indian still roams the far reaches of absolutely unchanged, unbroken forest and prairie leagues, and has knowledge of white men only in bartering furs at the scattered trading-posts, where locomotive and telegraph are unknown; still the wild Buffalo elude the hunters, fight the Wolves, wallow, wander, and breed; and still there is hoofed game by the million to be found where the Saxon is as seldom seen as on the Missouri in the times of Lewis and Clarke. Only we must seek it all, not in the West, but in the far North-west; and for "Missouri and Mississippi" read "Peace and Mackenzie Rivers," by those noble streams that northward roll their mile-wide turbid floods a thousand leagues to the

silent Arctic Sea.

This was the thought which spurred me to a six-months' journey by canoe. And I found what I went in search of, but found, also, abundant and better rewards that were not in mind, even as Saul, the son of Kish, went seeking asses and found for himself a crown and a great kingdom.

Four years have gone by since I lived through these experiences. Such a lapse of time may have made my news grow stale, but it has also given me the opportunity for the working up of specimens and scientific records. The results, for the most part, will be found in the Appendices, and three of these, as indicated—namely, the sections on Plants, Mammals, and Birds—are the joint work of my assistant, Mr. Edward A. Preble, and myself.

My thanks are due here to the Right Honourable Lord Strathcona, G. C. M. G., Governor of the Hudson's Bay Company, for giving me access to the records of the Company whenever I needed them for historical purposes; to the Honourable Frank Oliver, Minister of the Interior, Canada, for the necessary papers and permits to facilitate scientific collection, and also to Clarence C. Chipman, Esq., of Winnipeg, the Hudson's Bay Company's Commissioner, for practical help in preparing my outfit, and for letters of introduction to the many officers of the Company, whose kind help was so often a Godsend.

Ernest Thompson Seton.

You can read this book in pdf format at: http://www.electriccanadian.com/lifestyle/arcticpraries.pdf

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

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