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Electric Scotland's Weekly Newsletter for September 29th, 2023

Electric Scotland News

Just an observation but I like eggs - fried, boiled, poached, scrambled or anyway you like them. I have only ever purchased them from supermarkets but this week I was in a local business who specialises in supplying pork to the local market. I noted they were selling their own eggs as an expansion of their business. So I purchased a dozen of them that I was told had just been collected that morning. Well I had a couple for breakfast and I've become a convert to eating fresh farm eggs as the taste was just so much better. So perhaps do a search in your local area to see if you can pick some up and try them for yourself.

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...

Shock drone footage show thousands of dead fish being hauled out the water at zombie scandal salmon farm
Surveillance pictures of the Bakkafrost Scotland farm show large containers packed with lifeless salmon being offloaded.

Read more at;

<https://www.dailyrecord.co.uk/news/scottish-news/shock-drone-footage-show-thousands-31007142>

Now is the time to deliver a new era for Scotland's fishing fleet
New vessel designs, that include wind-assisted or solar-electric propulsion, together with the adoption of energy-efficient on-board equipment, are being actively examined, to further increase energy efficiency and reduce costs.

Read more at:

<https://thinkscotland.org/2023/09/now-is-the-time-to-deliver-a-new-era-for-scotlands-fishing-fleet/>

Understanding Scotland's Past
By Gary Hassan in the Scottish Review.

Read more at:

<https://www.scottishreview.net/GerryHassan671a.html>

Scottish art takes centre stage after £38m revamp at National Gallery
A £38.62m revamp has created 12 brand new galleries for Scottish art underneath the original 19th Century building on Edinburgh's Mound. But it is opening five years later than originally planned and has cost double the original price tag.

Read more at:

<https://www.bbc.com/news/uk-scotland-66889193>

Teenager wins stone skimming world championships in Easdale
Finn Dower age 16 from Perthshire won the competition on Sunday.

Read more at:

<https://www.bbc.com/news/uk-scotland-glasgow-west-66890979>

Canada-India row puts spotlight on Sikh activism in UK

Given the dramatic developments in Canada, where PM Trudeau has said there is credible evidence to suggest India was involved in the killing of a Canadian Sikh, it is unsurprising that rumours now swirl around the deaths of other Sikh activists around the world, including in the UK.

Read more at:

<https://www.bbc.com/news/uk-66818190>

Strathclyde Sirens aim to capitalise on increased buzz around netball after bumper TV viewing figures

On the court, Scotland's netball stars are relentless in the pursuit of victory. Off it, there's a determination to match as the game looks to capitalise on bumper viewing figures at this summer's World Cup.

Read more at:

<https://www.sundaypost.com/fp/strathclyde-sirens-netball/>

Brexit finally succeeds!

Get ready for a soy latte guzzling yoghurt weaving Rejoinder meltdown of epic proportions, as they gaze in awe at the majestic potential of Brexit UK, which is finally being realised!

You can view this at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-EuvuGX3mV0>

New images of 5,000-year-old Highland burial site

New images have been made of one of Scotland's most significant prehistoric burial sites. Carn Glas, near Inverness, is thought to date to the Neolithic period and be about 5,000 years old.

Read more at:

<https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c3gr38e61qlo>

David McCallum obituary

TV favourite from NCIS and The Man From U.N.C.L.E.

Read more at:

<https://www.bbc.com/news/world-us-canada-66919863>

How AI is revolutionising mental health diagnoses

AI is expected to contribute trillions to the global economy over the next decade. Against this landscape BlueSkeye AI, a UK start-up founded by Professor Michel Valstar, Dr Anthony Brown and Timur Almaev in Nottingham, UK, is innovating in this field.

Read more at:

<https://www.bbc.com/storyworks/united-by-trade/how-ai-is-revolutionising-mental-health-diagnoses->

The SNP is right to open drug consumption rooms, but wrong to push for decriminalisation
This week, as a break from our usual service, we're going to talk about a policy where I think the Scottish

Government has got it right: drug consumption rooms.

Read more at:

<https://conservativehome.com/2023/09/28/henry-hill-the-snp-is-right-to-open-drug-consumption-rooms-but-wrong-to-push-for-decriminalisation>

The New American Way of Trade

In December 2019, in the middle of one of the most toxic political environments in U.S. history, the House of Representatives cast the most significant vote on trade matters in decades. By a vote of 385 to 41, the House of Representatives changed the course of trade policy by approving the U.S.-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA), upending the unbridled free trade philosophy that had been conventional wisdom for 70 years.

Read more at:

<https://www.foreignaffairs.com/north-america/new-american-way-trade>

Electric Canadian

To Him That Hath

A novel by Ralph Connor

You can read this at:

<http://www.electriccanadian.com/makers/tohimthathathnov0000conn.pdf>

Sea Dogs and Men at Arms

A Canadian Book of Songs by Jesse Edgar Middleton (1918) (pdf)

You can read this at:

<http://www.electriccanadian.com/forces/seadogsmenatarms00midduoft.pdf>

Thoughts on a Sunday Morning - the 24th day of September 2023 - Chivalry

By the Rev. Nola Crewe

You can view this at:

<http://www.electricscotland.org/forum/communities/rev-nola-crewe/26396-thoughts-on-a-sunday-morning-the-24th-day-of-september-2023-chivalry>

Canadian Fairy Tales By Cyrus Macmillan (1922)

With Illustrations by Marcia Lane Foster (pdf)

You can read this book at:

<http://www.electriccanadian.com/lifestyle/canadianfairytal00macmuoft.pdf>

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The Causes of Illegitimacy particularly in Scotland

With relative appendices, being a paper read in Glasgow at the fourth annual meeting of the "National Association for the Protection of Social Science", on the 28th of September 1850 by George Seton, Advocate, M.A. Oxon, etc. (1860) (pdf)

You can read this paper at:

https://electricscotland.com/lifestyle/The_Causes_of_Illegitimacy_Particularly.pdf

Scottish Society of Louisville

Got in their September 2023 newsletter which you can read at:

<https://electricScotland.com/familytree/newsletters/Louisville/index.htm>

Provincial Antiquities of Scotland

By Sir Walter Scott, Bart. (1834) (pdf)

You can read this book at:

<https://electricScotland.com/history/other/provincialantiqu00scot.pdf>

The Bairds of Auchmedden and Stricken, Aberdeenshire

By John Malcolm Bulloch (1934) (pdf)

You can read this genealogical account at:

<https://electricScotland.com/history/nation/bairdsfauchmedd00bull.pdf>

Early Progress of Christianity in Buchan

Being two papers read before the Club of Deir by George Ogilvie, M.D. (1873) (pdf)

You can read these papers at:

<https://electricScotland.com/history/gazetteer/earlyprogressch00ogilgoog.pdf>

Transactions of the Buchan Club

1908-1913

You can read these at:

<https://electricScotland.com/history/aberdeen/buchan10.htm>

Story

The Life of Sir David Baird

I was half way through this book and suddenly remembered that I was meant to be working on this newsletter. I had been reading a book I added this week "The Bairds of Auchmedden and Stricken, Aberdeenshire" By John Malcolm Bulloch (1934) and in it was a mention of this General. I couldn't remember anything about him so decided to Google him to see what I might find. Lo and behold I found this book about him and it was available on ElectricScotland.com. WOW... so I loaded it and started reading and some hours later I was still reading it when it came to my notice that I should have produced the newsletter and sent it out to you. So sorry for the late posting.

This being the case I think I'll use this book as my story for this week and hope you enjoy it as much as I have. You can download it from:

<https://electricScotland.com/webclans/atoc/lifeofsirdavidba00wilkrich.pdf>

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

Alastair