

Week 9



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Hya folks!

First of all, sorry to all people who can't speak English! But there are also a lot of friends out there who can't understand the German language so I have decided to write this weekly review in English - especially for you!

The first few days of last week weren't very spectacular. School was good as usual, unfortunately, there was no more Hamlet :-(. I went home after school because I had to do a lot of homework - there wasn't any time to do it at the weekend on the Isle of Arran, so I had to do it on Monday. After the Homework and a traditional Scottish Meal (with potatoes of course!), I wrote some emails and the weekly review for last week. As I said, there was nothing interesting on Monday!

Tuesday was a bit better, but not a lot. :-) We met up at 7.30 at The Globe to watch the UEFA Cup Semi-final AC Milan against Inter Milan. The game wasn't very interesting and the pub was overcrowded so we left immediately after the match. We decided to go to Mulligan's, which is much better during the week than The Globe. But Daniel and I suddenly decided to go to another pub - we were in a little pub called The Bow in Victoria Street, just beside Finnigan's. We wanted to go there because they have an extremely wide range of Single Malts. We told Ben and Fabrice to follow them to Mulligan's later... We tasted some really good Whisky's from Oban and Ardbeg. Well, these brands aren't cheap at all so we had to finish after the second one ;-). But we will go again to The Bow and taste some more... Now it was too late to go to Mulligan's and I went home.

I also stayed home on Wednesday because I wanted to watch the other UEFA Cup Semi-final and I had no intention of going to town again. Bijan, remember ManU!!! ;-) I watched the game with my host family, we talked about football and other stuff. It was a boring evening to tell you the truth so I don't need to continue..

Finally, Thursday was much more interesting: the main highlight was the planned Guano Apes concert in the evening. But one step at a time. The day at school was very cool because we visited the Scottish High Court (the most important court in Scotland) and watched there a trial about a tricky criminal who had stolen credit cards and money from elderly people. But that wasn't the actual reason why he was there: He tried to get out of Prison through another trial against the country which he accused of making some important faults. It was cool to see the judge and the lawyers discussing about this case. Unfortunately, we had to leave the court before the end of the case so I don't know the final decision.

As I mentioned there should have been a Guano Apes concert at The Venue in the evening. I met Ben and Lea around 7.30 to go to the concert but when we arrived we noticed that the concert had been cancelled, the lead singer had a stomach ache. We were very disappointed and decided to wait a few minutes because some staff members told us that the Apes will come for an autograph. While waiting, I spoke to some other guys around there and it turned out that Allan and Ian were from a western town near Glasgow and that they had driven the whole way to Edinburgh only for this concert. Roby had more luck, he is living in Edinburgh. After a few more minutes we decided to leave because the Apes weren't going to get out of their coach. I asked the Scottish guys to come with us to Finnigan's for a Bailey's or two (Bailey's is our "Let me alone I'm depressed"-Drink up here in Scotland ;-). They came with us and we had good fun. It was very interesting to talk to some real Scotsmen. Maybe we're going to see them again at another concert in Edinburgh in two weeks. We'll see..

Like every week in Scotland the ninth also passed very fast and it was already Friday! We had school the whole day and did a lot of exam preparation, especially after lunch when we simulated a Speaking Exam including all parts.

I wrote some applications after school and then went home for tea. Now was concert-time again. Maybe it was going to be a greater success than last time. I met up with Ben and Lea again (we met Roby later) and we went.. Aye, to The Venue. Wow, what great surprise: It was open and there were bands! ;-) The first band is called **David R. Black**, they're from Manchester and perform a good punk sound with great lyrics. They are going to tour Europe, including Switzerland - when I have time, I'll go again! The main gig of this great evening was **AntiProduct**, a multi-national band with members from the USA, Italy and Scotland. They played much a "heavier" sound than the band before. It was a mix of metal and punk and they had a great show. I also like them but I enjoyed the first band more, especially because of their critical lyrics. The gig was already finished around 10 because The Venue is normally a Techno-Club and we had to leave. Well, we went to Mulligan's (as usual) and enjoyed another beer. Because I wanted to go to Glasgow on Saturday, I went home early and caught the last regular bus.



David R. Black

Lea with Sue and David AntiProduct

Sleeping long on a Saturday is now nothing more than a dream - I wasn't able to enjoy that feeling for a long time now. Anyway, I can sleep again in Switzerland. The time in Scotland is too valuable to spend it in my bed. I went up early on Saturday because we decided to go to Glasgow for a shopping/sightseeing tour. To tell about a shopping tour is not very interesting so I'll just tell you the short form: Weather bad. Shops great (Mid-season sale). Mackintosh-Cafe impressive. Cafe with Zara on her 19th birthday was good fun. Dinner in a Pizzeria great: Salad! Return to Edinburgh around 10pm. Lot of Money spent ;-)

For the first time since a long, long time I had the chance of a lie-in! Wow, what a great feeling! ;-) The whole day was thought to be an easy, relaxing Sunday. And it was! I wanted to go swimming with Lea but we had wrong information and the pool we had chosen was closed and it was too late for the Commonwealth Pool. Fortunately, I knew about another Health Club, the Balmoral Health Club. It's the luxurious Balmoral Hotel's Health Club on Princes Street. Anyway, we went to have a look and decided to stay. Well, it wasn't a cheap club but very calm, luxurious and it offered a pool, some machines and even a sauna! After running, swimming, cycling and 2 sauna visits it was time to leave. Maybe I'll go again to this club - if there is some money available ;-).

Well my friends, this was my first weekly review in English and I hope you enjoyed it! Unfortunately there are not many pictures because it was a quiet week. But there are more on the other sites. Check it out!

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