
Subject: Drifters Episode 5 - Great Stuff!

Posted by [Dave Baranyi](#) on Fri, 04 Nov 2016 20:29:04 GMT

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I just watched "Drifters" episode 5 and I had a great time with it. I'm reminded of the old H. Beam Piper "Lord Kalvin" stories, which are still some of my all time favourites from the later John W. Campbell days at Analog/Astounding.

What is really working for me in Drifters is the main characters. We have adult characters who are thrust into a bizarre situation where they act according to their adult beliefs and bias. The two main characters are essentially murderous psychopaths when viewed from our perspective, but within their world of war they are enjoying themselves immensely while following their own rules of moral conduct. And this makes them totally exciting to watch.

There are so many other positives about the series. The battle scenes overflow with gruesome intensity. The writing is smart. For example, while planning the battles and eventual conquests Nobunaga is also setting up the precursors to his next plan, which is to bring gunpowder weapons into this world. (Again, reminding me of the Lord Kalvin stories.) And as a bonus the voice actors are having tons of fun with their characters.

This series is showing that anime can be still be exciting even in these days where cookie cutter "cute girls" shows fill up most of the anime world. Damn! I'm so happy to be looking forward to an anime series every week again!

Dave Baranyi

Subject: Re: Drifters Episode 5 - Great Stuff!

Posted by [Arne Luft](#) on Tue, 08 Nov 2016 23:39:27 GMT

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On 4 Nov 2016 20:29:04 GMT, Dave Baranyi <anthony.baranyi@bell.net> wrote:

It's not bad, really. Probably it draws its excitement out of the case, that it looks close to reality. In times like this wand wielding lollies look rather outdated.

Btw, I am watching again "Visions of Escaflowne". It's quite a difference between honor driven actions, and the (historical documented) successful use of shit to keep the enemy off from regrouping.
