

IF the current trends hold and IF Canadians are motivated enough to vote, it appears that the chances of another Conservative majority are fading away. While there has been additional chatter about a possible Liberal majority, we should consider it a long shot and apply both 'hope and hard work' to help it come to pass. Issues like marijuana and missing/murdered aboriginal women are continuing to challenge the Tories' positions, while other important matters such as infrastructure funding versus an income-splitting tax break for mostly well-to-do families have potential to further show how offside they are with average Canadians. It's our job to shine a big, bright light on these things and, when our platform is released, to show the country that we can do better.

Items of interest from the news:

-This headline drives home a key message: <http://www.ipolitics.ca/2014/08/22/the-harper-governments-lonely-struggle-against-reality/>

-The Tories really popped a gasket after this came out: http://www.thestar.com/opinion/commentary/2014/08/24/why_voters_like_ju_stin_trudeau_mallick.html

-Liberal strategy after the Edmonton caucus seems to have hit the mark: <http://www.hilltimes.com/news/news/2014/08/25/liberals-western-focus-about-psychology-as-much-as-votes-analysts-say/39410>

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Looking ahead:

The ground is shaking for New Brunswick Conservatives as the September 22nd provincial election draws closer: <http://www.torontosun.com/2014/08/30/liberals-hold-big-lead-in-new-brunswick-election-poll>