

Vol. X No. 4 Beth's Newfangled Family Tree Section B September 2015

# Society of Antiquaries of Scotland meeting to be held in Tampa (FL) January 9, 2016

#### Anyone may come, not only FSA Scots!

First information available concerning the first historic meeting of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland in America, which will be held January 9, 2016 in Tampa, Florida, has arrived.

The gathering will be sponsored by the University of Tampa.

The Call for Papers has already been issued by the president of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland.

Dr. David Caldwell is coming from Scotland to be the keynote speaker.

There will be eight speakers during the day (TBA).

We expect that there will be a reception on the evening prior to the meeting and an informal dinner in the evening after the meetings.

Attendance is not limited to members of the Society. Both Fellows of the Society (FSA Scot) and interested persons may attend.

More information will be included in this publication as it becomes available.

For questions now, contact <a href="mailto:greig.history@gmail.com">greig.history@gmail.com</a>

# Society of Antiquaries



# CalMac workers reach agreement

A resolution has been reached in the industrial dispute at Scotland's CalMac Ferries Limited and Argyll Ferries Limited, ending the possibility of further strikes.

The agreement comes following a fourth day of talks between the Scottish Government, CalMac Ferries Limited and union representatives.

Minister for Transport and Islands Derek Mackay said: "All parties involved in the talks have worked hard to find a solution and I am very pleased an agreement has now been reached that ends the threat of further strike action. Nowhere will this news be welcomed more than in our islands and we must now return our focus on delivering these vital ferry services for the communities that depend on them.

The Scottish Government has made a clear commitment to our ferry services, investing a record £1bil-

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Patriot Day (Sept 11) is a day the US remembers the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001



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To see the many names on the Clan Donald sept/allied family list, please visit:

http://www.clan-donald-usa.org

# Clan plants worn by the Scottish Highlanders

#### **Torin Finney of Clan Davidson**

shared Scottish Community's post

Clan plants were worn on the men's bonnets (ed: and sometimes held to their arm by a leather strap - the origin of the Clan Crest) as a means of identity. In a heated battle, you had to know at a glance whether a man was friend or foe.

So the Highlanders began wearing sprigs of local plants to identify themselves. Everyone came to know who wore which plant.

Many of the Scots opted for sprigs from trees like oak, Scots pine, or hazel. Juniper, rowan and birch were also popular plants. Others chose among Scottish wildflowers for their plant badges.

#### Clans and their Plants (this list is not concise)

Anstruther~sprig of Olive

Armstrong~Wild Thyme

Borthwick ~ a stem of two Roses

Boyd ~ Laurel

Brodie ~ Lesser Periwinkle

Bruce ~ Rosemary

Buchan~Sunflower

Buchanan ~ Birch and other Buchanan clans plants

~ Blaeberry, Bilberry, Oak or Wild Laurel

Burnett ~ a sprig of Holly leaves

Cameron ~ Cranberry and other Cameron clan plants ~ Crowberry or Oak

Campbell ~ Fir Club Moss or Bog Myrtle

Campbell of Argyle ~ Fir Club Moss

Campbell of Breadalbane  $\sim$  Bog Myrtle and other Campbell of Breadalbane  $\sim$  Roid, Sweet Gale or Fir Club Moss

Campbell of Cawdor ~ Bog Myrtle

Campbell of Loudoun ~ Bog Myrtle

Chattan ~ Red Whortle Berry

Chisholm ~ Rainneach or Fern

Colquhoun ~ Hazel sapling or Bear Berry

Cranston ~ a bunch of Strawberries

Cumming ~ Cumin (probably Wheat)

Davidson
∼ Red
Whortle
Berry →



Davidson ~ Red Whortle Berry

Drummond ~ Thyme or Holly

Elliott ~ White Hawthorn

Erskine ~ Red Rose

Farquharson ~ Red Whortle Berry or Scots Fir seedling

Ferguson ~ Little Sunflower and other Furguson clan plants ~ Poplar seedling or Pine

Forbes ~ Common Broom

Forsyth ~ Forsythia flower

Fraser ~ Yew tree

Fraser of Lovat ~ Yew

Fraser of Saltoun ~ Fraise

Gayre ~ Variegated Bay or Noble Laurel

Gordon ~ Rock Ivy

Graeme, Graham ~ Laurel Spruge

Grant~Pine

Grierson ~ stem of Bluebells

Gunn ~ Juniper bush

Hannay ~ Periwinkle

Hay ~ Mistletoe, Oak sap

Henderson ~ stem of Cotton Grass

 $Home \sim Broom$ 

Hunter ~ stem of Thrift, Shore Daisy

Innes ~ Great Bulrush

Jardine ~ sprig of Apple Blossom

Johnston ~ Red Hawthorn

Keith ~ White Rose

Kennedy ~ Oak

Kerr ~ Kerr knot

Lamond ~ Dryas



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Lennox ~ Rose

Leslie ~ Rue in flower

Lindsay ~ Lime Tree

Logan ~ Conis Whin or Furse

Lumsden~sprig of Hazel

MacAllister, as MacDonalds ~ Common Heath

Mac Alpine ~ Scots Pine

MacArthur, as Campbells ~ Fir Club Moss and other MacArthur clan plants ~ Roid, Sweet Gale or Wild Thyme

MacAulay ~ Pine or Cranberry

Mac Bain ~ Boxwood

Mac Bean ~ Red Whortle Berry

Mac Callum ~ Mountain Ash

Mac Coll ~ Common Heath

Mac Donald ~ Scottish Heather

Mac Donald of Clanranald ~ Common Scottish

#### Heather

Mac Donald of Garagach ~ Common Heath

Mac Donald of Glengarry ~ Scottish Heather

Mac Donald of Glenco ~ Common Heath

Mac Donald of the Isles ~ Common Heath

Mac Donald of Keppach ~ Common Heath

Mac Donald of Ranald ~ Common Heath

Mac Donald of Sleat ~ Scottish Heather

Mac Donnell ~ Common Heath

Mac Dougall ~ Bell Heath, Tufted Heather

Mac Dowall ~ sprig of Oak

Mac Duff~Red Whortle Berry, Cowberry

other MacDuff clan plants ~ Oak or Holly

Mac Dugal ~ Bell Heath

Mac Farlane ~ Cloudberry or Cranberry

Mac Fie of Cameron ~ Crowberry and other

MacFie clan plants ~ Oak or Scots Pine

Mac Gallery ~ Common Heath

Mac Gillivray ~ Red Whortleberry

Mac Gregor ~ Pine

Mac Innes ~ Holly or Thistle

Mac Intire ~ Common Heath

Mac Intosh ~ Common Heath and other MacIntosh

clan plants ~ Red Whortleberry or Bearberry

Mac Intyre ~ Scottish White Heather

Mac Ivor ~ Fir Club Moss, Roid or Sweet Gale

Mac Kay ~ Broom or Great Bulrush

Mac Kenzie ~ Holly or Stag Horn Club Moss

Mac Kinnon ~ Pine and other MacKinnon clan plants ~ St. Columba's Flower (St. John's Wort) or Pine

Mac Lachlan ~ Lesser Periwinkle or Rowan

Mac Laine of Lochbuie ~ Blackberry or Bramble

Mac Laren ~ Laurel

MacLaughten~Trailing Azalea, Little Scottish Plant

Mac Laurin ~ Wild Laurel

Mac Lean ~ Holly bush or Crowberry

Mac Lennan ~ Furze (Whin)

Mac Leod ~ Juniper bush

Mac Leod of Lewis ~ Red Whortleberry

Mac Millan~Holly seedlings

Mac Millan of Buchanan ~ Wild Laurel

Mac Nab~Pine, Stone Bramble, or Roebuckberry

Mac Nachtan ~ Trailing Azalea

Mac Naughton ~ Trailing Azalea

Mac Neil of Barra ~ Dryas, Mountain Avens

Mac Nichol ~ sprig of Juniper or Trailing Azalea

Mac Niel ~ Dryas

Mac Pharlan ~ Cranberry bush

Mac Phee ~ Red Whortle Berry

Mac Phee of Cameron ~ oak

Mac Pherson ~ Red Whortle Berry or White

Heather

Mac Ouarie ~ Pine

Mac Quarrie ~ Scots Pine

Mac Queen ~ Red Whortleberry and other

 $MacQueen\ clan\ plants \sim Boxwood\ or\ Scottish\ heather$ 

Mac Rae ~ Common Club Moss and other

MacRae clan plants ~ Staghorn Moss or Fir Club Moss

Mac Thomas ~ Snowberry plants

Maitland~Honeysuckle, Uilleann

Malcolm ~ Rowan berries

Matheson ~ four petal Rose

Menzie ~ Menzies' Heath

Moncreiffe ~ Oak

Morrison ~ Driftwood

Munro ~ Common Club Moss

Murray ~ Butcher's Broom

Murray of Atholl ~ Juniper or Butcher's Broom

Ogilvie ~ Evergreen Alkanet or Hawthorn





An Cirean Ceann Cinnidh King of the Picts and down

**MOTTO:** Sola Virtus Nobilitat (Virtue Alone Enobles)

**WAR CRY:** "The Henderson's Are Here!"

#### Clan Henderson

The sons of Henry (MacEanruig) are a family as old as any clan in the Highlands. In modern times, Clan Henderson traces lineage through the Chief of the Name and Arms of Henderson, Alistair of Fordell. However, in times more distant Henderson's can claim descent from a King of the Picts and down through five unique

bloodlines evolving from the regions of Caithness, Fordell, Glencoe, Shetlands/Liddesdale and Ulster. Henderson's from the Glencoe region have strong ties to the MacDonald Clan and were renowned as pipers and bodyguards to the Chief (MacIan). Henderson's from the Caithness region have ties to the Clan Gunn.

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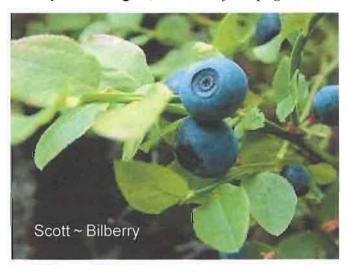
### "Never squat while wearing your spurs"

- Will Rogers

Will Rogers, who died in a 1935 plane crash, was one of the greatest political sages this country has ever known. (*With thanks to George Murdoch.*)

- 1. Never slap a man who's chewing tobacco.
- 2. Never kick a cow chip on a hot day.
- 3. There are two theories to arguing with a woman. Neither works.
- 4. Never miss a good chance to shut up.
- 5. Always drink upstream from the herd.

#### Clan plant badges, continued from page 5



Oliphant ~ Bulrush or Sycamore

Robertson ~ Fine-Leaved Heath or Bracken

Rose ~ Wild Rosemary

Ross ~ Juniper bush

Scott ~ Bilberry

Scrimgeour ~ Rowan

Seton  $\sim$  Yew

Shaw ~ Red Whortle Berry

Sinclair ~ Furze or Whin and other Sinclair clan

plants ~ White Dutch Clover, Conis or Gorse

Stewart ~ Thistle, Oak

Sutherland  $\sim$  Butcher's Broom or Cotton Sedge plant

Urquhart ~ Native Wallflower

Wallace ~ sprig of Oak

Wedderburn ~ Beech

There are many books and much information concerning clan badges available at any good book seller.

6. If you find yourself in a hole, stop digging.

7. The quickest way to double your money is to fold it and put it back in your pocket.

8. There are three kinds of men:

The ones that learn by reading.

The few who learn by observation.

The rest of them have to pee on the electric fence and find out for themselves.

- 9. Good judgment comes from experience, and a lot of that comes from bad judgment.
- 10. If you're riding' ahead of the herd, take a look back every now and then to make sure it's still there.
- 11. Lettin' the cat outta the bag is a whole lot easier'n putting' it back.
- 12. After eating an entire bull, a mountain lion felt so good he started roaring. He kept it up until a hunter came along and shot him.

The moral: When you're full of bull, you should keep your mouth shut.

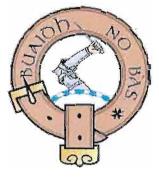


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#### Pete & Wendy's UK Adventure





#### Adventure # 15 - Silverstone



My Fulbright Visiting Scholar Appointment is winding down to a close. But the beginning of July provided two final unique opportunities. First was the British Grand Prix at Silverstone. It was so much easier to go to this Formula One race than to get to the one in Austin, Texas in October, that I had to take the opportunity. A bus left Preston at 5:00 am for a five hour journey to the front gate of the track and then back again after the race. Way cheaper than air fare to Austin.

I walked the track and watched the support races

from several different places.





And I checked out the food vendors....many of whom would have looked right at home at a NASCAR race.





Then I settled in for the main event at the famous Stowe corner, at the end of the back straightaway. If there was going to be any passing at all, this was a likely place. I did see a couple of passes......in a two hour race.





I had not seen an F1 race since the second year the USGP was in Indianapolis when I drove one of the course safety vehicles with a trauma doctor riding shotgun beside me. Then back a few years before that, I saw F1 at Watkins Glen and Mosport. Today's F1 racing cars are technologically impressive, but the racing is rather monotonous. There simply is very little passing. While the two Williams cars made a truly impressive start and jumped from the second row into first and second place.....in the end, it was the thoroughly dominant Mercedes team that took the top two finishing spots, as they have done at almost all F1 races in the past two years. Lewis Hamilton won in front of a highly partisan crowd of 140,000.



Most of the F1 teams and drivers never had a prayer of even staying within sight of the leaders. A far



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If you have the name "Buchanan" in your family or any of the allied family/sept names below, you are invited to join your cousins and Buchanan kin. Just send an email for a membership form and/or information to

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The CBSI was formed in 1970 as the Clan Buchanan Society in America. It was founded at the Grandfather Mountain Games in North Carolina. The name was later changed to the Clan Buchanan Society International Inc., reflect to our society's expanded purpose and membership.



You're welcome to email the Pres. ken.buchanan@TheClanBuchanan.com

#### Pete & Wendy's UK Adventure





cry from today's IndyCar races where there may be over 50 lead changes in 500 miles.



Frankly, the most impressive thing I saw all day was an amazing 10 minute aerobatic exhibition by a pilot in one of the Royal Air Force Typhoon fighter jets. He was incredibly impressive, doing flips, rolls, stalls, dives, and all sorts of maneuvers right above the crowd. It was WAY beyond the simple fly-overs that we typically see before the start of major US races.



The fans were interesting too. In the pricier seats, the ladies were dressed more like they would be for Ascot than for a USA race.....with dresses, suits, hats, etc. Many of the men wore button-down dress shirts, quite a few with sports jackets and an occasional suit (including one in a two-piece shorts-suit). This is not how your typical American race fan would dress.













In the end, I am glad I went. But I would not plan to go again. I saw what F1 of today is all about. And I saw what the British racing fan is like. But next week is Sprint Week back in Indiana, and for the money I paid for attending this event, I could have attended all 8 events of Sprint Week. And I probably would have seen more passing in the first heat race than I did in the entire F1 race. For good racing, give me a 410 sprinter running methanol on a 3/8 dirt oval. That's racin'.

Immediately after the F1 race, Silverstone hosted the Formula Student event, equivalent to Formula SAE in the USA. One of my jobs here at Lancaster has been to serve as an advisor to the Lancaster team. To be perfectly honest, most of the students on the team are not big on motorsports. And there are no motorsports classes here. So they had little experience to help them. And the team is all fourth year students, who had not had the benefit of being on the team in their first three years, so they had not been able to learn from the mistakes of past students. Therefore, they made most of the readily available mistakes. Including the failure to head faculty warnings to schedule their time, get their parts designed early, and send things out to vendors with plenty of time. No matter how many times they were told all those things, they continued to believe that they had enough time.....right up until they didn't. So the last 10 days was an absolute flail to finish the car....and not a terribly successful one. The IUPUI system of involving students in their first and second years, and moving them up to leadership roles in their third and fourth years works much better, as the more experienced members are less likely to make the common fatal mistakes regarding timing.

On the other hand, Lancaster did try a few things that the IUPUI team has not yet attempted. Like designing and testing their own crash attenuator system.





And making their steering column and foot pedals out of composite materials



ter is located in downtown Franklin, North Carolina.

This tartans museum is a non profit organization operated by a Board of Directors and the only tartan museum in the United States.

Our museum is located downstairs which shows the evolution of the kilt and the history of tartan.

Our gift shop, which supports the operation of our museum, is located upstairs and our volunteers are trained to look up surnames and provide

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Visit our website and learn some history as well www.scottishtartans.org

Telephone 828-524-7472 or email us tartans@scottishtartans.org

### Our "treat" from the UK continues.....

Through the Scottish Society of Indianapolis, we have secured permission to print "UK Adventures" for you to enjoy.

Dr. Pete Hylton is a Fulbright Award Recipient for 2014 & 2015. He will be in the United Kingdom for quite awhile and will be sending his "Adventures" back home. He has kindly given us permission to print his stories! He is Dr. Pete Hylton, Ed.D., Associate Professor & Director of Motorsports

Engineering and Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis.



Here is this year's chassis next to last year's car.



Their rolling engine dynamometer.





And the rolling chassis and engine, without body.







# Clan Davidson Society USA



Davidson Clansmen dominate the Parade of Tartans at the International Gathering of Clan Davidson sponsored by the Clan Davidson Society USA. The event was held June, 2011, in conjunction with the Kansas City Highland Games.

Is your name listed here? If so, then you may be interested in membership in the **Clan Davidson Society USA!** 

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The Clan Davidson Society USA is an all-volunteer, not-for-profit corporation recognized by the US IRS as a 501 c(3) Educational and Charitable organization. We are dedicated to the preservation of our rich Scottish and Clan Heritage. CDA-USA publishes an award-winning, electronic, full color newsmagazine of 40-60 pages twice a year, packed with informative articles and photos of interest both to Davidson Clansmen as well as anyone interested in the history and culture of Scotland.

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For more information, check out our website at [www.elandavidsonusa.com] or contact the Society's Membership Registrar at [sennachie@earthlink.net].



# Flowers of the Forest



**Richard Linn Parkinson,** age 75 of Conyers, passed away Friday, July 10, 2015.

Linn was born in Norfolk, VA., but was raised in Jacksonville, FL., where he met his wife-to-be Nancy in elementary school. He attended Robert E. Lee Senior High School.

He served in the Air Force, where his love for airplanes carried over in his job at Lockheed Martin, from where he is retired.

Linn was also a member of Conyers First United Methodist Church.

Linn is survived by his wife of fifty years, Nancy Parkinson, of Conyers; daughter and son-in-law, Faith and Chris Taylor of Birmingham, AL.; son and daughter-in-law Ken and Laura Parkinson of Oxford, MS.; grandchildren: Will, Grace, and Zachary Taylor of Birmingham, AL. and Virginia and Reed Parkinson of Oxford, MS.

Memorial services were held on Thursday, July 30, 2015 at Conyers First United Methodist Church with Rev. Dave Benson officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Conyers First United Methodist Church Missions Committee, 921 N. Main St., NW Conyers, GA. 30012 Condolences may be submitted on-line at <a href="https://www.scotward.com">www.scotward.com</a>. Scot Ward Funeral Services, 699 American Legion Rd., Conyers, GA, 770-483-7216.

I remember Linn as a kind and polite and funny young man at Robert E. Lee. He will be missed by all of his friends.

Clan MacTavish Chief's Lieutenant Donley Tomey reported the sad news that his close friend, **John Eckerd**, passed April 17, 2015.

He was a descendent of Scotsman Joseph Dickson one of two inbound fur trappers who met with the outbound Lewis and Clark Corps of Discovery as it was returning with a wounded Lewis at the mouth of the Yellowstone River in 1806.

Farewell, John my dear, dear friend, until we meet again.

Professor **Douglas Walter Noble Stibbs**, astronomer and astrophysicist. Born: 17 February, 1919, in Sydney, Australia. Died: 12 April, 2010, in Canberra, Australia, aged 91.

Emeritus Professor Walter Stibbs held the Napier chair of astronomy at the University of St Andrews and the associated post of director of the institution's observatory for 30 years. He was also credited with bringing the first ever computer to Scotland's oldest university – at the time, it was the largest in Europe.

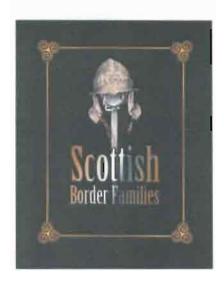
A renowned astronomer and astrophysicist, he spent his early career in Australia – including taking part in optical munitions research – working at the Mount Stromlo Observatory from 1940 to 1942 and again from 1945 to 1951.

After he retired from St Andrews in 1989, he returned to Mount Stromlo as a Visiting Fellow.

Stibbs was educated at the University of Sydney and at New College, Oxford. He graduated BSc at Sydney in 1942 with first class honours, also receiving a University Medal in physics, and the following year proceeded to the MSc degree with a thesis entitled "The ultra-violet emission from the sun".

From 1942 to 1945, he was assistant lecturer in the department of mathematics and physics at New England University College in New South Wales.

From 1945 to 1951, he was scientific officer then senior scientific officer at Mount Stromlo Observatory in Canberra and later was appointed Radcliffe Travelling Fellow in astronomy at Pretoria, South Africa, and at the University Observatory at Oxford.



#### Scottish Border Families

By W. R. McLeod. 90 pages, paperback. The Border Reiver, moving back and forth across the porous line between England and Scotland, "lifting" cattle as he went, feuding with neighbor and government man alike, is the stuff of legend. Yet many of the "Scottish names" books seem to dwell almost exclusively on the Highlanders and their culture. Here, for the first time, is a study of the Border families, concentrating on their origins, their way of life, and those traits which set them apart. Over 200 Border names are here described, giving both linguistic and area origins of the name, alternate spellings, and a short history of the family in the Border region. Of particular use to the modern reader is a recommended tartan for each name. (Look right for list of names.)

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## Bar staff stop wearing kilts to fend off female customers

Male staff at an Inverness ceilidh bar have stopped wearing kilts because they claim some female customers have been groping them while they worked.

Staff at Hootenanny's, in Inverness, wore traditional tartan to give the venue more of a Scottish ambience.

As BBC Scotland's Jackie O'Brien reports, they say some female customers have been getting too close for comfort.

From AOL Flash Page.

Awesome..
Breaking into a hot car to rescue a dog is now legal in #Tennessee bit.ly/1JbtrT3 #ASPCA

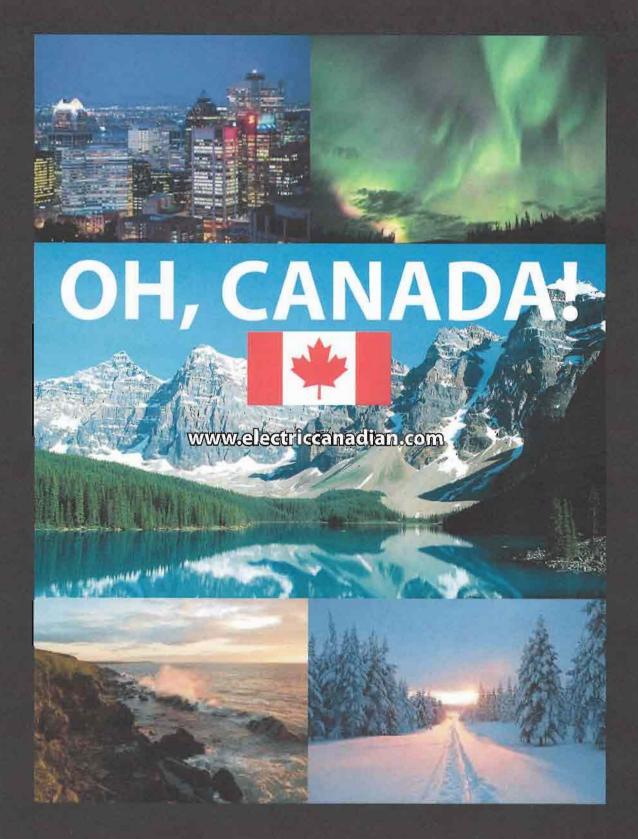
With thanks to my friend, Carolyn Haines!



# COSCA AGM minutes from Grandfather Mountain 2015

With many thanks to **Keets Taylor**, new COSCA Membership Chair

The Council of Scottish Clans & Associations (COSCA), founded in 1976 at the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games (GMHG) as a nonprofit charitable corporation, held its annual general meeting (AGM) of the members this year, as usual, during those games in Linville, NC on Saturday, July 11. Presiding was John King Bellassai, the new President of COSCA. (Previously Vice President of COSCA, Mr. Bellassai succeeded to the presidency by operation of law back in April, upon the resignation for personal reasons of Susan McIntosh, the previous President.) There were 73 dues-paying members-in-good-standing of COSCA attending the AGM at GMHG, most of them representing their respective clan societies—the backbone of COSCA's membership.



### 2015 Clan MacTavish AGM

Clan MacTavish will hold its annual general meeting (AGM) in conjunction with the Stone Mountain High-land Games (just outside Atlanta, GA) during the weekend of October 16-18. The meeting will be held at the Stone Mountain Country Inn and Suites on Saturday. More details about the meeting will be posted in our July newsletter. Details about the Stone Mountain Highland Games can be obtained at <a href="http://www.smhg.org/index.html">http://www.smhg.org/index.html</a> (PS - Beth Gay-Freeman will be doing FREE genealogy speeches Friday at the Stone Mountain host hotel, usually 11 AM and 1 PM. Everyone invited! More fun than you'd think.)

#### COSCA AGM minutes from Grandfather Mountain 2015, continued from page 15 -

attended COSCA's AGM and addressed the assembled membership, taking questions at the end. These were Francis, Lord Napier and Ettrick, Chief of Clan Napier, and Jamie Macnab of Macnab, Chief of Clan Macnab. At the conclusion of the meeting, elections were held to COSCA's Board of Trustees. As the officers are elected

every other year and had been elected last year, the incumbents for these positions will continue in office until 2016. These are John Bellassai, who is filling out the balance of his predecessor's term as President, and Clark Scott, Treasurer. Three individuals who had been appointed during the year to fill out the terms of At-Large Trustees who had resigned were presented to the membership at the AGM for ratification and confirmed in their offices. These were John Cochran, Keets (Farquhar) Taylor, and Dr. Phil Smith.

A slate of five other experienced and qualified individuals were also nominated to the Board of Trustees as at-Large members. They were all elected unanimously and added immediately to the COSCA Board. Each will hold a three-year term. The individuals added this year are:

- \* John Cherry—President, Clan MacLachlan Society and President, St. Andrew's Society of Detroit. (Clan MacLachlan is a member of COSCA.)
  - \* John McInnis—President, Clan MacInnes Soci-

ety. (Clan MacInnes is a member of COSCA.)

\* David Stewart McKenzie—Sergeant-at-Arms, St. Andrew's Society of Washington, DC, Vice President, Virginia Scottish Games Association, and organizer of heavy athletics at 20 Scottish games up and down the eastern USA. Member, Clan MacKenzie and Ameri-

can Clan Gregor Society. (Both societies are members of COSCA.)

- \* Charlie Sherwood, President, Clan Scott Society. (Clan Scott Society is a member of COSCA.)
- \* Ed Ward, Treasurer, National Capital Tartan Day Committee, Inc. and life member, Clan Stewart Society. He is also a member of the DC St. Andrew's Society, the Scottish Heritage Society of North Central West Virginia, the American Scottish Foundation, the Royal Scottish Country Dance Society,

and (an individual member) of COSCA.

Each of these individuals brings at least 20 years of experience in Scottish-American organizations and is an active member in their clan society, as well as other Scottish heritage groups. Three are not residents of the East Coast. Mr. Cherry is in Detroit, MI, Mr. MacInnis in Arlington, Texas, and Mr. Sherwood in Tulsa, OK. Three are especially interested in education—Cherry, MacInnis, and Ward (who is currently enrolled, long distance, in Scottish heritage graduate studies at the University of Edinburgh).



# We encourage everyone who is interested in the great Clan Ramsay to join the Clan Ramsay Association of N.A. Contact David Ramsey: <a href="mailto:davidf.ramsey@verizon.net">davidf.ramsey@verizon.net</a>>



#### Become a part of Clan Ramsay's DNA Project!

What is it? DNA testing is a new and exciting tool for genealogists. It enables people to get an idea of how closely they are related to those of the same last name. The Ramsey/Ramsay DNA Project focuses on testing males of the last name Ramsey or Ramsay. The results are compiled together with the results from other Ramsey/Ramsay males and we get an idea of who is related to whom and ultimately, we can link different lines together. But, to do that, the project needs lots of people to participate.

#### The Clan Ramsay Genealogy Project

The Clan Ramsay Genealogy Project's mission is to foster the spirit of kinship and pride existing among all who have Ramsay ancestry, regardless of the spelling. Clan family names include: Ramsay, Ramsey, Dalhousie, Ramsay of Bamff, Ramsay of Balmain, Maule, Brecheen and Brechin. The clan genealogy database was established in 1997 to provide a clearinghouse for Ramsay family data and history.

The Clan Ramsay genealogy database was created using The Master Genealogist, Wholly Genes, Inc., 5144 Flowertuft Court, Columbia, MD 21044. Call 410-715-2260. http://www.whollygenes.com

Sister Associations of Clan Ramsay in Australia, Nova Scotia and Finland!

Quarterly Newsletter - The Ramsay Report is available to all members!

### Clan Ramsay represented at Scottish Games and events all over the country

Clan Ramsay is represented all of the United States at Scottish Games, Gatherings and events. See us at the Loch Norman Highland Games in NC; Iron Thistle Scottish Heritage Festival and Highland Games in OK; Smoky Mountain Highland Games in TN; Gallabrae/Greenville, SC Games; Glasgow Highland Games, KY; Scottish Christmas Walk

of the Clans, VA; Chicago Highland Games, IL; Grandfather Mountain Highland Games, NC; Colorado Scottish Festival & Rocky Mountain Highland Games, CO; Wichita Highland Games & Celtic Festival, KS; The Caledonian Club of San Francisco's Annual Scottish Gathering and Games, CA; Columbia Scottish Festival, IN; Halifax Celtic Festival, Halifax, NS, Canada; Oklahoma's Premier Celtic Music Festival & Scottish Highland Games, OK; Charleston Scottish Games and Highland Gathering, SC; Ligonier Highland Games, PA; McPherson Scottish Festival, KS; Indianapolis Scottish Highland Games and Festival, IN; Stone Mountain Highland Games, GA; Salado Scottish Clan Gathering & Scottish Games, TX;

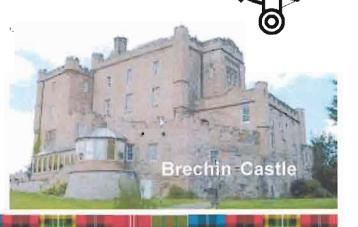
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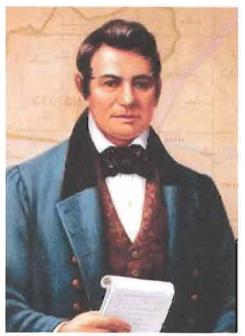
There are openings available in the state/region commissioners roster where you would be most welcome. Contact David Ramsey at

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for full information and details about the Clan Ramsay Association of North America.







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## American Genealogy: John Ross, Cherokee Chief

#### Sandy Powers,

Clan Ross Society of the United States, *Highlander* Newsletter

To start at the beginning we first come to William Shorey, born in Scotland, married a full blood Cherokee wife called Ghigooie. Shorey originally came to the mountains as an interpreter for the British army at Fort Loudoun in what is now Tennessee or TANI SI in Cherokee.

When he died in 1762 he had two children, a daughter named Anna and a son named William.

Anna married a man named John McDonald who had been born in Inverness around 1747 and had traveled to Fort Loudon via Charleston, South Carolina.

At Fort Loudon he met and married Anna Shorey and they moved close to what is now called Lookout Mountain where John established a trading post where he dealt with the Cherokee on a daily basis and this gave him much influence with the English, French and the Spanish who were all seeking an alliance with the Cherokee.

The McDonalds had one child, a daughter named Molly and in time Molly met and married Daniel Ross from Sutherland in Scotland who had come to the mountains to live and trade with the Cherokee during the American Revolution.

Molly and Daniel Ross settled near the now older McDonald and started a family.

On October 3, 1790 John Ross was born at Turkey Town, Georgia (now Etowah County, Alabama). He was seven-eighths Scottish and one-eighth Cherokee and it was rumored that he had blue eyes but in all portraits they're shown as brown.

John and his brother Lewis came under the influence of their McDonald grandfather who insisted they were to be brought up as Scots.

As John grew older, his father Daniel established a store at Chattanooga Creek, near the foot of Lookout Mountain and he built a small schoolhouse and hired a teacher. It was here that John started his education since Daniel was determined his children would be well educated.

John later studied with a Reverend Gideon Black, later moving to the Maryville, Tennessee Academy.

John's education in that period and location was unheard of. The average person, white or Cherokee, was lucky to even see the outside of a school house, let alone own a book or be able to read from it.

















# FLYING HERALDRY



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Under his grandfather's influence, John dressed in a manner of white settlers and was made fun of by his young Cherokee companions. Under the influence of his grandmother Anna, who was half Cherokee, half white, he was taught the Cherokee ways and developed a deep love for the Cherokee people, their traditions and their way of life.

John had seen the aftermath of settlers raiding Cherokee villages and he vowed to help his Cherokee people in any way that he could and knew that his education was his best weapon. In 1809 at the age of 19, he was sent to Arkansas by Indian agent Return J. Meigs to see to needs of the Western Cherokee of Arkansas and in the war of 1812 he served with Andrew Jackson as an adjutant with The Cherokee Regiment. Jackson

used the Cherokee in his various campaigns but had a deep dislike of all native peoples. The Cherokee fought with much valor but received no pay and were on the lowest rung of the social ladder.

In 1813-14 John again fought along-side Andrew Jackson in the Creek wars where Jackson had 1000 Cherokee with him, plus his regular troops. John Ross participated in the battle of Horseshoe Bend

on March 28, 1814 and attained the rank of Lieutenant. The British Allied Creek Indians were defeated and peace was restored.

John Ross then turned his hand to making his fortune and around 1815 John and Timothy Meigs opened a trading post on the banks of the TA NI SI river which became known as Ross's Landing which is now Chattanooga, Tennessee. John added a 170 acre farm to his holdings which proved very profitable and he also established warehouses and a trading company. Since he knew very well the value of education, John helped start the Brainard Mission and School that was made available to the Cherokee people.

Around 1817 John was chosen a member of the

Cherokee Nations Council and in 1819 he was elected president of the Cherokee National Committee. He then moved to Coosa to be closer to the Cherokee capitol at New Echota, Georgia where he was elected assistant chief of the Eastern Cherokee and participated in drafting the Cherokee Constitution based on the U.S. Constitution. That included a Senate and House of Representatives. In 1828 he was elected Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation.

In 1828 gold was discovered in North Georgia, Cherokee country and gold fever was rampant but the Cherokee were in the way. For the state of Georgia and its white settlers, rich or poor, getting the Cherokee out was essential and the first step was the outlawing of Cherokee government. The Cherokee appealed for

> Federal protection but President Andrew Jackson rejected it and the act opened the door to a landslide of whites into Cherokee country. These were dark days for the Cherokee: whole families were killed; Cherokee were shot working their farms; houses were burnt to the ground, sometimes with families in them. Livestock was slaughtered and left on the ground, all in an effort to get to the

farms; houses were burnt to the ground, sometimes with families in them. Livestock was slaughtered and left on the ground, all in an effort to get to the gold. The final blow came when President Andrew Jackson authorized the Indian Removal Act of 1830 and Jackson's administration put much pressure on the

Cherokee to go west.

That pressure was resisted and Chief John Ross and the majority of the Cherokee were resolutely against removal to Indian territory (present day Oklahoma). But by using various underhand methods, Jackson's government got about 500 Cherokee to support a treaty, giving up their present lands in exchange for land in Indian Territory. Regardless of the fact that the treaty was repudiated by nine-tenths of the tribe, congress ratified it on May 23, 1836.



# Clan Leslie Society International

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The Hon. Alexander Leslie, Chief of Clan Leslie



## Have you heard the wonderful news?

After a great Clan Leslie Gathering at the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games this past July, a decision has been made that in 2016, our next bi-annual gathering will be held in Fergus, Ontario, Canada. We will be gathering at the time of the Fergus Highland Games.

Mark your calendar now!

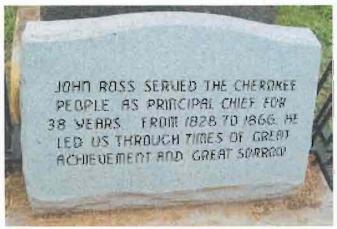
The Fergus Games will run from Friday, August 12th to Sunday August 14th in 2016. Planning is in the early stages and further details will be announced as they become available.

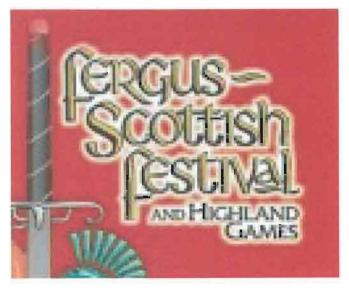
The Fergus Highland Games are the oldest 3 day

#### Chief John Ross, continued from page 23

During all of this, John Ross was traveling back and forth to Washington, pleading for the Cherokee but all in vain, and in 1838 the removal started. To the Cherokee, it is known as The Trail of Tears, which was a 2,200 mile forced march which claimed many lives, including that of John Ross's wife Quatie. The federal death figures claimed that 424 Cherokee died, but a doctor traveling on the march estimated 1500 died in the camps, and another 2000 died along the trail. Those who died on the trail were not buried, but just left. Some estimates claim that a total of 6000 died on the march.

Once the Cherokee reached Oklahoma, John Ross was re-elected Principal Chief, which in July 1866 took him to Washington again working on behalf of the Cherokee Nation. On August 1, 1866, John Ross died in his hotel room in Washington at the age of 76. His body was returned to Indian Territory and he was buried at Ross Cemetery, Park Hill Oklahoma.





Highland Games event in North America. They were started in 1946 by Alex Robertson and typically 30,000 spectators descend on the town's population of 20,000 to celebrate all things Scottish.

To learn more about the games, please have a look at their website www.fergusscottishfestival.com

William Leslie, Linda Flowers, Laura Messing and I look forward to moving forward with planning for this next fun gathering.

Yours aye, Robert Leslie, Acton, Ontario

# Clan Leslie Society International Scholarships

CLSI is offering scholarships to Clan Leslie Society members. We have two different types of scholarships. One is an academic scholarship valued at \$250. The deadline for the next scholarship is November 30 with the award of one scholarship being made on January 15.

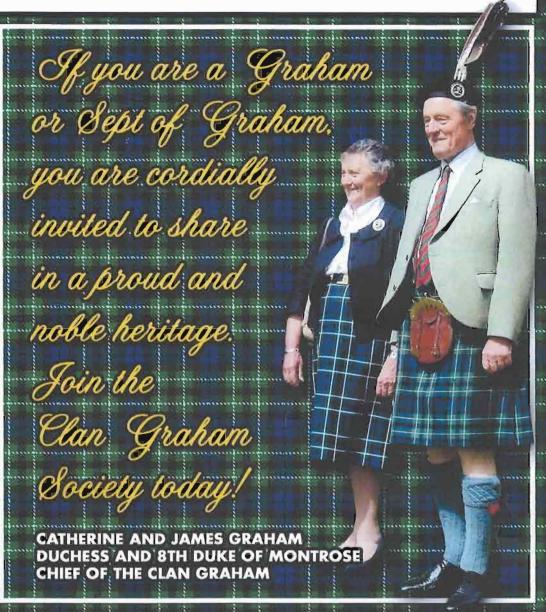
The second type of scholarship is for Scottish or Celtic Programs. The amount of this scholarship is \$200 and can be applied for any time. It will cover things such as bagpiping camp, dance, the arts, etc.

The person applying for all scholarships must be a member or inceptor member of CLSI. For more information contact: Linda Flowers, CLSI Scholarship Committee, Iflowjingo@sbcglobal.net



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## Yummy, yummy, yummy...

# Enjoy for a very happy tummy!

If hosting tents wasn't enough, Christine Johnson of Clan Leslie also spends her spare time creating the most delectable cookie recipes! Her recipe for Butterscotch Peanut Shortbread Bars won second place in the non-traditional category at the Triad Highland Games Shortbread Contest this year.

Way to go Christine! We can't wait to try them!

## **Butterscotch Peanut Shortbread Bars**

Thanks to Christine Johnson, Clan Leslie. Crust:

1 ½ cups all-purpose flour

½ cup Confectioners' sugar

1 teaspoon grated lemon peel

3/4 cup cold butter, cubed

For crust, in a food processor (or mixer), combine flour, confections' sugar, and lemon peel. Add butter; cover and process until mixture forms a ball.

Pat into a greased 13 X 9 inch baking pan. (If you line the pan with foil and spray with Pam, this lifts out easily.)

Bake at 350 degrees for 28-30 minutes or until set and the edges are lightly browned.

#### **Topping:**

1 package (10 to 11 oz.) butterscotch chips

½ cup light corn syrup

2 tablespoons of butter

1 tablespoon of water

2 cups chopped salted peanuts

In a large saucepan, combine all the topping ingredients. Cook and stir over medium heat until chips and butter are melted. Spread over hot shortbread. Sprinkle peanuts over top.

Cool and cut into bars.



# 3 rare wildcat kittens arrive at Scottish Wildlife Park

SCOTLAND's Highland Wildlife Park has welcomed three rare wildcat kittens.

The animals are a native species and are faced with the very real threat of extinction due to hybridisation with domestic and feral cats, habitat loss and accidental persecution.

The kittens were born around the end of April.

But, with coordinated conservation efforts and a new conservation breeding programme for eventual release now established, the future for the species is looking much brighter, according to keepers.

The three young kittens were born at the end of April, but spent the first couple of months safely tucked away in their den with their mother Betidh, only recently starting to wander out and explore their territory.

This year's births add to a long line of successful breeding at Highland Wildlife Park, which has been instrumental in maintaining a healthy captive population which acts as a safety net for the species.

The Royal Zoological Society of Scotland, along with more than 20 other organisations, is involved in the Scottish Wildcat Action, a partnership project - supported by Scottish Government and the Heritage Lottery Fund - which represents the best chance the wildcat has of surviving in the long term.

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At the latter, he completed his DPhil in 1954 for a thesis entitled "Galactic cephid variables". Two years later his thesis, "The differential galactic rotation of the system of cephid variable stars", won him the Johnson Memorial

Prize and Gold Medal for advancement of astronomy and meteorology.

From 1955 to 1959 Stibbs was principal scientific officer with the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority at Aldermaston and also a consultant in theoretical astrophysics in atomic weapons research.

He took up his appointment at St Andrews in 1959 – he joined from the research establishment at Aldermaston – to continue the work of his predecessor, Findlay Freundlich.

His prime goal on arrival at St Andrews was to complete the construction of the metre class telescope begun by Freundlich and to revamp the university's astronomy courses up

to honours level. For a while, the St Andrews telescope was the largest in the United Kingdom.

During his career at St Andrews, he was also re-

#### CalMac Ferries, continued from page 1

lion in port infrastructure, vessels and services since 2007. We have also introduced Road Equivalent Tariff, substantially reducing the cost of ferry travel for passengers, cars, coaches and small commercial vehicles on the CHFS network.

As Minister for Transport and Islands, I'm well aware of the lifeline role these services play in supporting our islands and the Scottish Government remains committed to delivering the very best deal for all of the communities of the Clyde and Hebrides."

A spokesperson for Transport Scotland said: "To comply with EU procurement law, we cannot compel bidders to guarantee no compulsory redundancies. Bidders can make a voluntary commitment through tendering processes, as was the case in the recent ScotRail Franchise. We would seek to achieve a similar outcome in the next CHFS contract."

sponsible, in 1964, for introducing the first computer there – it cost 60,000.

That investment coupled with Stibbs' drive and expertise were to lead to the establishment of a full com-

puting laboratory in the university.

He retired in 1989 and the following year became Visiting Fellow at the Astrophysical Theory Centre, School of Mathematical Sciences at the Australian National University, and also Visiting Fellow at the Mount Stromlo and Siding Springs observatories.

Stibbs was a research assistant at the Commonwealth Solar Observatory when the Second World War began and he took part in some of the earliest optical munitions work undertaken there.

He designed a folded optical system for a gunsight, which went into production later in the war. He once re-

called that when he showed his designs and complicated equations to a colleague, he was taken to task for pronouncing aluminium as "aluminum"—although his fellow scientist took for granted the correctness of the mathematics and the numerical work that he had done. In late 1941, Stibbs designed a sun compass that was used in desert warfare.

Once this work was completed, he moved to the New England University College – later to become the University of New England in New South Wales – to take up a lectureship.

In 1945 he returned to the Commonwealth Solar Observatory—or Mount Stromlo—, where he did photoelectric photometry, worked on theoretical astrophysics and wrote a book, entitled The Outer Layers of a Star, which was co-authored by a colleague.

In 1997, his work was the focus of an initiative entitled "The Giant's Eye: the Optical Munitions Exhibition" held as part of the Australian Science Archives Project.

Away from his university career, Stibbs was a keen and gifted athlete, marathon runner and cyclist.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret, daughter, Helen, and a granddaughter.



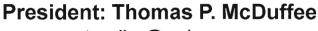




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