

## NAMES TO KNOW – Feb. 17, 2008

Here is a list of individuals you might want to know something about since they will be contributing to the success of the Gathering. They are in alphabetical order except for (Mc vs. Mac). New entries will be in **RED** and placed at the beginning for the week they are first entered. **If you want to add your name with a brief statement or someone else's, just send it to [martin.macintyre@juno.com](mailto:martin.macintyre@juno.com).**

**Lisa Furukawa of North Carolina is singer/songwriter and a MacIntyre on her mother's side. She hopes to discover her Scottish roots as inspiration for her compositions.**

**Andrew Gray, the 23<sup>rd</sup> Lord Gray, of Taynuilt, is a member of the Taynuilt Highland Games Committee. He has been assigned as their liaison to our Gathering. He has also offered to help us arrange transport to the Stone of the Fatted Calf and to Glen Noe (Sunday) He owns "TailoredTours" which can take small groups wherever they want to go.**

**<http://www.aboutscotland.com/tour/masterofgray/index.html>**

**Andrew Macintyre of Edinburgh and Glasgow has composed a new pipe march in honor of our Gathering.**

**Alastair McIntyre resides in Canada and is the owner, manager and editor of [www.electricscotland.com](http://www.electricscotland.com), which is the number one and most important web site on all things Scottish. He has graciously offered space on his site for our Gathering and hopefully you will be able to thank him in person. He is presently living in Canada.**

**Angus Macintyre was the late poet and storyteller who was born in Taynuilt and left a rich legacy for our enjoyment and pride. He is the father of Lorn Macintyre, the master of ceremony at the MacIntyre ceilidh and the uncle of Murray Sim, our local contact in Taynuilt and Treasurer of the Golf Club we will be using.**

**Archie McIntyre, our master piper for the Gathering, was born in the Taynuilt area but presently resides in England. He is the appointed Gentleman Piper to the High Council of Clan Donald Chief and is the only individual with arms approved by the Lyon Court that contain pipes. He has agreed to guide the activities of the other seven pipers who to date plan to attend the Gathering. Two of these pipers have already composed new pipe tunes in honor of the Gathering. At the final Gathering at Glenoe, Archie will play "The McIntyres' Salute." More about this in later updates.**

**Boni McIntyre is a Gaelic singer from Colorado. She has competed successfully in a number of Highland Games and will amaze you with the beauty of her voice, her personality, and a seemingly impossible four octave range.**

**Colin McIntyre of Edinburgh and Ian Simpson of Helensburgh will be leading hikers up to the Stone of the Fatted (White) Calf. Colin has started an Internet forum specifically designed for attendees to introduce themselves to each other so they can be friends before they meet in Taynuilt. This will help you find those**

who share your interests, be they history, genealogy, music, dance, athletics, geology, photography, poetry or the many other areas. Go to

[http://uk.groups.yahoo.com/group/macintyre\\_gathering](http://uk.groups.yahoo.com/group/macintyre_gathering) register and introduce yourself to Colin and other members of the forum.

Colin and Ian have also prepared a detailed guide for hiking around Glen Noe and up Ben Cruachan. [www.electricscotland.com/webclans/m/macintyre/glennoewalk.htm](http://www.electricscotland.com/webclans/m/macintyre/glennoewalk.htm)

**Colin MacIntyre**, the Scottish song writer and singer, **will** perform at our ceilidh. For more go to: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Colin\\_MacIntyre](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Colin_MacIntyre) and his web site: <http://www.colinmacintyre.com/colinmacintyre.com/WELCOME.html>

**Duncan MacIntyre** of Kilmore, south of Oban, is an elected councilor in the Argyll & Bute government representing Oban and Taynuilt. If that weren't enough good fortune, he is also the chairman (spokesperson) for the Transportation Committee. Transporting you to and from the events has been my major concern to reduce the number of people renting cars and the possibility of accidents. But, there's more. His wife is **Rosemary MacIntyre** (also my wife's name). She runs a high class B&B south of Oban – See Accommodations.

**Gordon A. McIntyre** is a professional golfer, originally from Rhodesia (now Zimbabwe), then South Africa and now Scotland. The week after the Gathering, he will be competing in the British Senior Open Championship at the famous Royal Troon course south of Glasgow but he will warm up at the First World MacIntyre Invitational Tournament at the less famous and perhaps older course at Taynuilt. He has offered to give a limited number of free golf consultations to Gathering attendee for a donation to the Taynuilt Golf Club's junior golf program.

**Gordon McIntyre** is the master for the Celtic galley *Aileach*, an authentic working reproduction built by the non-profit trust *Lord of the Isles Galley Trust* who are interested in preservation of the history of Scotland. It is the kind of galley that the first MacIntyre, Muriach The Wright, may have drilled a hole in as the means to secure the marital and political ambitions of his Uncle Somerled. There is a possibility that the Aileach might be present at our Gathering and that some of us can have an excursion on Loch Etive, either as passengers or rowers. Gordon is also a re-enactment specialist and could make a presentation on weapons, dress and games of the early medieval period. Let's hope our luck holds out and he can attend the Gathering. **Cron Mackay**, a board member of Trust, said that there is a possibility the BBC might do a second documentary on Scottish Clans and OUR Gathering might be featured! Cross your fingers.

**John S. McIntyre** of Australia has composed two new pipe tunes for the Gathering. Another tune has been promised by a Campbell living in Taynuilt. Hopefully, some of these tunes will be learned by the 7 pipers who will be attending.

**Lorn Macintyre** resides in Aberdeen and is mentioned in the Program Details section on the MacIntyre Ceilidh, where he will be our Fear An Taighe or Master of Ceremony. **Mary Macintyre**, Lorn's wife, will be leading the dancing at the Ceilidh.

**Martin L. MacIntyre** resides in San Francisco. In 2003 he decided to convene a World Gathering in the 2008. He is the son of the late L. D. MacIntyre who wrote *Clan MacIntyre – A Journey to the Past*. He is also the appointed Lieutenant to Glenoe, Chief of Clan MacIntyre. He is working on but has yet to complete the second edition of his father's book, which is out of print. His family (wife Rosemary, daughters, Laurie and Sarah) will be attending the Gathering. They, along with L.D. and his wife Alice, visited Glen Noe in 1976 and started the cairn to the Chiefs. You will have the opportunity on Sunday afternoon to add stones to the cairn in a rededication.

**Robert Bruce McIntyre** of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma has written a book *Six Millennia, The History of the Gael; The Irish and the Scots Highlanders* that includes information on the origin of Clan MacIntyre.

**William Mateer** (Mac an t'Saoir) is from Antrim, Northern Ireland where all Scots, including MacIntyres (Mac an t'Soir). hail from. He is a professional photographer and has kindly offered to help direct the preparation of a daily newsletter for the Gathering. He is responsible for the new banner for this updated, pre-gathering newsletter. Go to the Communication section to see a hypothetical account of the morning edition for July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2008. [www.creativephotos.co.uk](http://www.creativephotos.co.uk)

**Kate McLuckie** of Oban has written a history of her extended MacIntyre family from their origins on the Isle of Skye. Some of her Australian relatives will be attending the Gathering. She will be backing up Murray Sim as our local contact person and will probably spend some time at the genealogy table.

**Murray Sim** and his wife **Mairead Sim** own and manage **Robin's Nest**, Taynuilt's superb tea room. Murray has volunteered to be our local contact for the Gathering and is also the Treasurer of the Taynuilt Golf Club.