

An Crann Tara

Award-Winning Newsletter for Clann Nan Con, The Highland Independent Company of Darien



JUNE EVENTS REMINDER

The **Blairsville Highland Games** will be held in Blairsville, GA on June 9-10. We will set up camp on Friday, June 8.

Uaireigin Cu, Doannon Cu

A Taste of Scotland will be held in Franklin, NC on Saturday, June 16. We will set up camp on Friday, June 15 & break camp Sunday morning, June 17.

Please inform Britt Brinson as soon as possible whether or not you might be able to go.

THE LATEST NEWS

NEW SOURCE FOUND FOR BONNETS

Our friend Brian Carpenter of Clan Donnachaidh has sent us the following information about an historically accurate bonnet. He writes, "No longer do we have to order from the U.K. - and/or pay an arm and a leg! - for correct Scots bonnets of the Jacobite and F&I War periods. Now there is a new N. American source offering fine hand-knitted and felted bonnets, and at a great price, too!"

"Diane Jensen of Boise, ID, is a professional knitter now making these reproductions, and she has been guided in deriving a correct pattern by yours truly. I have received one of the prototypes, and a very fine bonnet it is! It is of the proper size and configuration for our period: 12 inch diameter with a narrow headband. The knitting/felting is tight and dense, making these practically waterproof. Altogether a superior Scots bonnet!"

"Solid colored bonnets in shades of traditional blue, or other natural colors, are only \$45.00, shipping included to U.S. addresses."

[Jacobite Bonnets!](#)



For those of you who've always thought Scotch Bonnets were just a type of flower, I've got news for you. They're hats too. Lovely felted wool hats. Think tam-o-shanter or beret on steroids. These babies are lovely, almost completely waterproof, and much softer than wool has any right to be. They were the hat of choice for Scots fighting in the '15, the '45, the French and Indian War, and even the American Revolution. Sadly, these bonnets are now pretty tough to find in this country, especially hand-made, as they should be to be authentic, and in any variety of colors or sizes.

She can be contacted at <http://russetlodgeknits.blogspot.com>.

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As of June 1, she has a backlog on bonnets for about a month. If any of you are interested, you might want to get in line.

LONE DOG'S RETIREMENT REMINDER

This is just to remind you that Larry "Lone Dog" Lynch's retirement party will be held on Saturday, June 30th. You must let him know if you plan to attend & he will send you your safe-passage certificate. Contact him by mail (79 Burgess Cr., Brunswick, GA 31523), e-mail (Lonedog@bellsouth.net), or by phone (912-265-6756). Fort King George will be available for the night, so those requiring over-night accommodations would best notify Lone Dog at 912-265-6756, or via e-mail at Lonedog@bellsouth.net for your reservation and he will coordinate lodging requirements; far-travelers get priority, of course, and rank does have it privileges. The festivities will begin about 5:00 o'clock PM and will officially end at 9:00 o'clock PM. Keep in mind that this is still a fund-raiser for Fort King George, so bring spending money for raffle tickets.

Congratulations on your retirement, Lone Dog.

WEBSITE NEWS

The *Clann Nan Con* website received its 7000th hit April 15. It was created by Standard Bearer **Amos McCall** in 2002 and is currently maintained by Clan Chief **Britt Brinson**. The site has been updated again. A *Roster* page for **Caleb Geren** has been added. Also, pages for **Larry Lynch**, **Ed Lunderman** & **Michael Ramsey** have been updated to reflect their new positions within the clann. The website can be found on the worldwide web at www.geocities.com/clanamcu/homepage.html.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Blairsville Highland Games. June 9-10, 2007. Blairsville, Georgia.

A Taste of Scotland. June 16, 2007. Franklin, North Carolina.

Folktales of the Rails. October 2007. Kennesaw, Georgia.

Foothills Highland Games. November 3, 2007. Hendersonville, North Carolina.

Cannons Across the Marsh. November 2007. Fort King George, Darien, Georgia.

Oglethorpe's Visit to Darien. February 2008. Fort King George, Darien, Georgia.

Frederica Festival. February 2008. Fort Frederica, St. Simons Island, Georgia.

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Northeast Florida Highland Games. February 2008. Green Cove Springs, Florida.

Scottish Heritage Days. March 2008. Fort King George, Darien, Georgia.

Savannah Highland Games. May 2008. Savannah, Georgia.

Battle of Culloden. May 2008. Fort Loudon, Pennsylvania.

COMMON GAELIC PHRASES

ENGLISH

Fall in.
Shoulder your musket.
Load your musket.
Make Ready.
Present.
Fire.
Recover.
Forward.
Company halt.
Order your musket.
Dismissed.
Attack.
Welcome.
How are y'all?
I am fine.
Are they pulling my leg?
No. They are English.

GAELIC

Cruinnichibh.
Gualainn bhor cuilethar.
Luchdaich ur cuilethar.
Dean ullamh.
Thoir.
Loisg.
Faigh air ais.
Air adhart.
Companoch stad.
Socraibh bhur cuilethar.
Fagibh.
Gabhaibh orra.
Failte.
Ciamar a tha sibh?
Tha gu math.
Bheil iad tarraing asam?
Chan eil. 'Se Sassanaich a th'annta.

PRONUNCIATION

Krayn-yih-kiv.
Goo-ulin ur kool-ih-ver.
Loochaich ur kool-ih-ver.
Jee-un oo-love.
Hore.
Loshg.
Feye er ash.
Er ursht.
Comp-an-ukh stad.
So-kriv orr kool-ih-ver.
Fah-kiv.
Gahv-iv or-uh.
Fal-chuh.
Kimmer a hah shiv.
Hah goo mah.
Vale aht tar-ing as-um?
Khan-yale. Shay Sass-un-eech uh th' un-tah

