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THE DIARY OF ALEXANDER MACKENZIE

In 1990 we ran a very long extract of the diary of one Alexander MacKenzie (no relation to Sir Alexander in the previous article). It gives a good indication of what life was like for ordinary people in the Highlands in the 19th century. We received a number of appreciative comments from members at that time, who found this diary of great interest. In view of the lapse of time and the very many new members who have joined the Society since 1990 it is appropriate to publish it again. Here is the second part.

Part 2

The Royal Theatre and Shakespeare Square were being torn down to make room for the General Post Office so my old lodgings were gone. So I had to search for new ones which I got with a Mrs Cooper in 80 Nicolson St. I paid 2/6 [two shillings and sixpence] per week for my bedroom with a nice window looking out above Gibs entry to the street. They made me nice and comfortable. She had three daughters, one of whom got married to a jeweller while I was there. After being idle for a fortnight and feeling very anxious, I was one afternoon standing at the corner of the Register, when a man spoke to me and asked if I was a baker and confectioner, I said I was professing to be both but had not much experience, so he asked me what wages I wanted. I said that wages were not so much my object as to get a good constant place. He says, "But we only need you as an extra for the Christmas work," "Alright," I said, "Once I get in, I hope to give satisfaction and get to be permanent," so he said, "We will just see." So he asked me to come and begin on Monday. Oh how I thanked and praised the Lord in my heart for thus providing for my urgent need. Mr Thomas Littlejohn seemed to take a liking to me. From the very first interview I had with him. I had 18/- per week at first, but when I was there about a month he kindly gave me 20/- [twenty shillings, or one pound] per week and told that my situation would now be permanent, as he was observing that I was attentive to the interest of the business and the ladies whose houses I was sent to wished me to be always sent. Almost every six months during the five years my

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wages steadily increased till they reached 50/- when all the responsibility of the work and stores devolved on me. In this position I was able to send regularly help to my dear father and Mary. I changed my lodgings to be near the shop to the Misses Taylor, two nice kind maiden ladies who were like mothers to me after we got acquainted. They got me to take seat in Dr. Finlayson's church in Rose St. I had a parlour and bedroom from them for which I paid about 12/- per week. Mr T. Dunn also lodged there but I did not know him then.

But being very anxious to acquire all the experience I could with a view of commencing business for myself, I resolved to make a change and secured the appointment of superintendent of the Balls Bridge Baking Factory, Dublin, where about 300 sacks of flour were baked weekly. For a considerable time after resuming my duties there, most things being strange, I had many difficulties to overcome before the staff were brought into submission. However, with the hearty support of the proprietors, after 6 or 7 months and many changes, the staff commenced to find that I was master of the situation and that they had to submit which they did and I never had any further chronic trouble and latterly, when we understood each other, they would do to serve and oblige me. But my being a professed Protestant and going to the Rathmino church perhaps had something to do with them not to allow my management to be a success. However that may be I did like the Irish people. The young ladies of whose company I was very fond, are very kind, very

pretty, very handsome with impulsive high strung tempers.

After 3 years constant strain of mental and physical anxiety, I made up my mind to resign and take a rest which I did and came across the Channel by Whitehaven; it happened to be a terrific stormy night and all next day we were tossed about like a cork. I was nearly dead with sickness and had to lie in the hotel for 3 days after landing. After getting better I came to Glasgow and calling on John Forrester, he said, "You are terribly cut up since I last saw you." I said, "I intend to take a rest and likely if I find a suitable place, commence business for myself." So he said, "We have an order from Lord Belhaven, Wishaw House, for a cook and baker, it is a very easy place and you are just the man for them and the pay is very good considering that all is found." So I agreed to go and try and stayed with them for six months, but did not much care for being among his lordship's servants, they were all English and as ignorant as the calves of the stall. I finished my six months and told Lady Belhaven that I was going to leave, she seemed much surprised and urged me to stop till the assembly was passed, but I declined and started for Grantown and my dear kind sister Anne insisted that I should stay with them for a month's rest, which I ultimately agreed to do. But after I was there about a fortnight, my brother-in-law being very ill with his breathing, I went into the bakehouse and insisted on him to go and rest while I did his work for him. Then after this going on for some time he suggested to me that in a year he would retire and leave

the business to myself. It was then fairly good and the longer I stayed as I made lots of new things it was growing, so I thought it would be worth my while to wait as it would pay me nicely. But after I was there some six months, with the rest and not having to work, my brother-in-law commenced to get better and think after all it would be too soon for him to retire as the family was still young. By this time the business had grown that he had to get a man from Forres as the work was too heavy now for him and me and he was wonderfully pleased with the progress made, but from hints that my sister gave me I said to him, "Unless I have an agreement from you that you will give me the business at Whitsunday, I do not feel justified in wasting my time." So he said, "That was my intention, but since then I have been much better and I am at a loss what to do with those girls." I said, "You feel better because I have taken all the heavy work off your shoulders. But if you have changed your mind, I have no special desire to insist on the arrangement you yourself suggested. I will therefore at once leave and find a place where I will not encroach on yours, tho you must see we are doing nearly three times the work you were doing when I came here 7 months ago." So I went west to Carrbridge and had a chat with my dear father and his idea, for peace sake and for my sister, was that I had just better do as I intended to do and go to Forres or Inverness and begin for myself.

I had formed several acquaintances in and around Grantown and I was somewhat disappointed as Mr. McIntosh- told several of the people that I was to succeed him in

the business tho I never did so myself as I had my suspicion that when he saw the business so rapidly improving he would not wish to retire. However, I got to be pretty well known by several nice people in the town and country and commenced to be invited to their houses in all directions. One Sabbath morning as I was going to the Parish church, I saw a crowd of people at the side of the burn and curiosity led me to hurry west to see what was wrong and on arrival found it was a religious service, Mr W. Grant being the preacher. He quoted several passages of the scriptures in confirmation of the scriptural authority for the ordinance of believers' baptism by immersion. This being the first time I witnessed such a service I was very much impressed and instead of going to church as I had intended, I went home to consult my Bible and see if I could not convince myself that the mode and practice of the baptists were totally erroneous. However, the more I searched the more I was convinced that those good people were following the order taught in the scriptures. I therefore resolved not to say anything about my convictions tho I knew from Mr. Glass and Miss Grant, Achnafearn, that they thought I was under convictions about Baptism and under the law as to my salvation. I resolved on that Saturday afternoon I would go to Carrbridge to have a consultation with my dear father on the subject. So on Saturday I went west to the Black Bull to order a horse to take me west. Mrs Mary Ann Grant met and took my order and said, "Oh, I was so pleased to see you at the baptism on Sunday." I seemed

somewhat confused but boldly protested what heresy impostures, but I said I was in a hurry and would not want to discuss the matter then. So I drove off to Carrbridge and had a very long talk with my father who was pleased to see that I was interested in divine things, but he did maintain that Baptism by immersion was not essential to salvation, though the baptists or dippers practised it and he said that he knew Mr Peter Grant, who was a good man, but thought his belief was imprudent. But not to be in a hurry but wait for the guidance of the Holy Spirit. However, on returning to Grantown I gathered that McIntosh did not care for me having much to do with the Baptists. Still, I usually went in the evening to the Sunday Service and often went home with old Mr Peter Grant and sometimes with the Achnafearn's Alexander and Anne who always pressed me to come with them, so we often sung many hymns which I very much enjoyed.

Having now reluctantly resolved to abandon all thought of succeeding to my brother-in-law's business, I resolved in April 1860 to go to Inverness and if possible secure suitable business premises there. I called on Mr Tulloch, painter, who I knew when I was at Nairn. He guided me to a Mr Cumming, builder, who had small premises at 30 Church Street to let, which I at once took for one year, so I got the keys next day and prepared to be open for business on the 1st of May and from the first I was guided to employ John Murray, who was many years in business in town and gave me all necessary information about the place and people. A week before I opened I advertised in the

two papers. On the day or two before opening the shop I made all kinds of fancy goods and started on the opening day at one o'clock in the morning and by seven o'clock I was ready to dress and therefore got my cleanest jacket, cap and apron. Ten minutes before eight o'clock I took off my shutters and Mrs Snowie was kindly waiting to be my first customer. Then the rush went steadily on almost night and day till I had to ask Mary Mackintosh to come down and help keep the shop for me. Among the many customers who came to the shop, Dr Mackay called on me and told me he was in London and got baptised by Mr Spurgeon and we held a little meeting in Duncan Davidson's house every Sunday besides attending the Free High and in August I went to Fortrose and was baptised in the sea by the Rev. Mr Dunn, Baptist Pastor there which pleased him and encouraged him very much in his work. Having come to enjoy the liberty by which Christ makes his people Free, I enjoyed such happy communion with Jesus while studying my bible at the back of the counter, though constantly interrupted by the customers coming in. About this time, one of the resolutions I early formed, commenced to press itself on me which was as soon as I was in business to get married, as though I was fairly comfortable in my lodgings with Mrs Finlater, yet feeling very much alone I set quietly to see if I could get a suitable house, but alas, there was not one to be had. I conveyed that information to my intended, who or who's mother said that any place would do. So I secured furnished lodgings with Mrs Curle, a widow lady in

Church St.

So, on the 14th November 1860, we started work at two o'clock in the morning and got through by 8 o'clock, dressed and took the train to Nairn, where I was joined by David, John Mackintosh and Penuel and drove in a carriage and pair for Achnafearn near Grantown. Reached the above about 4 o'clock after a very cold drive of 20 miles, those with me teasing and making fun of me at my expense, saying that I was trembling with fear, whereas being in the bakehouse so hot in the morning I trembled with the cold. However, the company received us most cheerily and while I was dressing, Mrs Grant insisted on my having a little spir-its which I decidedly and firmly declined, my precious intended, so quiet and so timid and yet looking beautiful in lovely ringlets, and white dress and long veil. The marriage service commenced at 3.30 by the Rev W.Grant and the Rev Peter Grant assisted at the service. The bridesmaids were Miss Grant and Miss Mackenzie. After luncheon, which was very largely attended, we started for Nairn in a shower of old boots and rice and I have no doubt, the fervent Prayers of our parents. The Nairn friends followed us in the carriage that took us up. We reached the Nairn station in time to catch the last train for Inverness which we reached about 10.30 where we went direct to our apartments where our married life began. I went to business next morning at four o'clock and Elsie joined me in the shop after breakfast where we spent a happy honeymoon, and Elsie, the stranger to business and timid, being only 19 years, soon learned to be very efficient. For several months we progressed very nicely, we were churched at Duncan Davidson and also at the Free High and as we had opportunity went often out in the evenings, after the shop was closed, for a walk or to prayer meetings. But on one of our walks dear Elsie struck her foot against a stone which injured her back, we came slowly home and she went at once to bed and I got the doctor to attend her. However, after much care and attention she got better but not strong. In May 1861 we took a house No 3 High St. and got it furnished and then we had a maid to attend to our wants. As Elsie was very much alone in the house I got our little niece, Mary MacKenzie, Kingussie, to stay with us and go to Mrs Kelly's school. Dear Elsie took much pleasure in helping her with her lessons tho very weak and prostrate. But God was in his great love and was blessing us in our business and our little church met every Lord's day in the forenoon in our dining room

for about 18 months when we took a small hall in Union St, where the church met to commemorate the Lord's death and we had Evangelist meeting always on Sunday evening on the street till we took Fraser St Chapel, where we had the service of Mr A.Grant who conducted the service.

On the 22nd of May 1863 to our unspeakable joy, Anna Maria was born, Aunt Anne was with us and dear Elsie made an excellent recovery and darling child was greatly loved by all who saw her. About this time I transferred the business from 30 Church St to 1 & 3 Union St. Had the new premises handsomely fitted and went to London to get all modern goods and fittings, cutlery and crockery for the restaurant, the furniture I got at Inverness made to order. We also took a house in Union St and furnished it very complete. We then boarded our shop girls in the house, but as they got all their food at the shop it made little difference.

When Polly was about 2 years, Elsie took the small-pox. This was for me a most trying time, but God was our only refuge. I sent for my mother-in-law to help nurse her, but she was only about 10 days with us when she also took the pox and tho she had only a spot or two, I thought she would die on us and dear Polly took it also but very lightly as she was so very recently vaccinated. The servant Georgina helped me bravely and they all pulled through, tho dear Elsie had the pox on her face completely covered. So when she commenced to get up she gave birth to a dear little boy who lived only a few minutes as he was coated with the pox. It was sad for his mother in her great weakness, had he lived all the features and limbs were beautifully complete. I got a little coffin for him and also purchased ground in the cemetery for which I paid £16. I felt the blow very sore but my God sustained me by his Grace. The pressure of business and the danger of infection pressed very heavily on me but I was sustained by the thought that Elsie was spared to me and was recovering rapidly.

I had considerable care and anxiety from the first in my new premises as I did not add the Licence to the restaurant business. The people clamoured constantly to have wine and beer with dinner, but being strictly a Temperance man I favoured much work and all Evangelists work. My sister, in order to please the parties having dinner and lunch went to the spirit merchant unknown to me to buy spirits and beer. However the baking and confectionery continued to increase, but the restaurant department never paid me without

adding the Licence. After two years' determined struggle to make it pay, I saw it would not do so, so I resolved reluctantly to dispose of the business and I advertised it in The Scotsman and had several applicants and effected a sale to Mr Peter Milne, York Place, Edinburgh, for £2,000 sterling including horses, van, stock, fittings, fixtures and goodwill £200 book, to be paid on collection amounting to £246, sold part of our house furniture and stored the rest in Fraser's Stores till we had time to settle where we were to live in future.....

This extract was written from recollection when Alexander MacKenzie was elderly in 1908. He went to live in Glasgow and then finally for the rest of his life in Edinburgh. I subsequently learned in 1995 from the late Clan Genealogist, Margaret Mackenzie, that Alexander was an ancestor of her husband.

NEW MEMBERS

We welcome the following members have joined the Society since the publication of the last newsletter:

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Just very thankful that our MacKenzie Newsletter exists and thank you for all your efforts,
Joan Winwood, Calgary

I was utterly intrigued by Pia Goddard's testimony so highly descriptive of the areas so familiar to myself. Duthil is the location of the Grant Society, UK, and the entry of Sir Ewen Cameron of Lochiel and the four impressed sons maybe (just maybe!) in the Black Watch raises a few "cobwebs" that bear investigation.

Ronald G. Grant, Toronto

Pia's letter caused a flurry of correspondence, particularly among members of the Donald and Sir Alexander Mackenzie's family. I like that - it shows people are reading it! Alan McKenzie

I received the latest newsletter and was delighted to see Pia's letter and picture in it - also my reply to her. Let's hope it might generate some more correspondence.

Nort and I are looking forward to attending the Mackenzie Clan Gathering on Sept. 10th - it was great fun last year.

Judy Parry, Toronto

I was taken to task by some people for saying that Donald MacKenzie (King of the NorthWest) and Sir Alexander Mackenzie were brothers. I was relying on memory of someone saying that he was sure that was the case. However I have seen no proof to date so recant that comment with apologies.

There is another person, Anne Varey, who has been in touch with me recently too and believes she is also a descendant of Sir Alex. perhaps by a country wife. However, she is busy getting the documents together and I will steer her to some ideas I might have, but she

can do the work on that one! I'll forward her correspondence to Donald [Donald MacDonald-Ross] though, as he is always interested in anything to do with the fur trade and is also a wizard at remembering details and figuring out connections.

So there aren't actually any other families then who claim Donald & Alexander were brothers. Too bad it was just one of us! I had hoped for a whole new branch to add onto the tree.

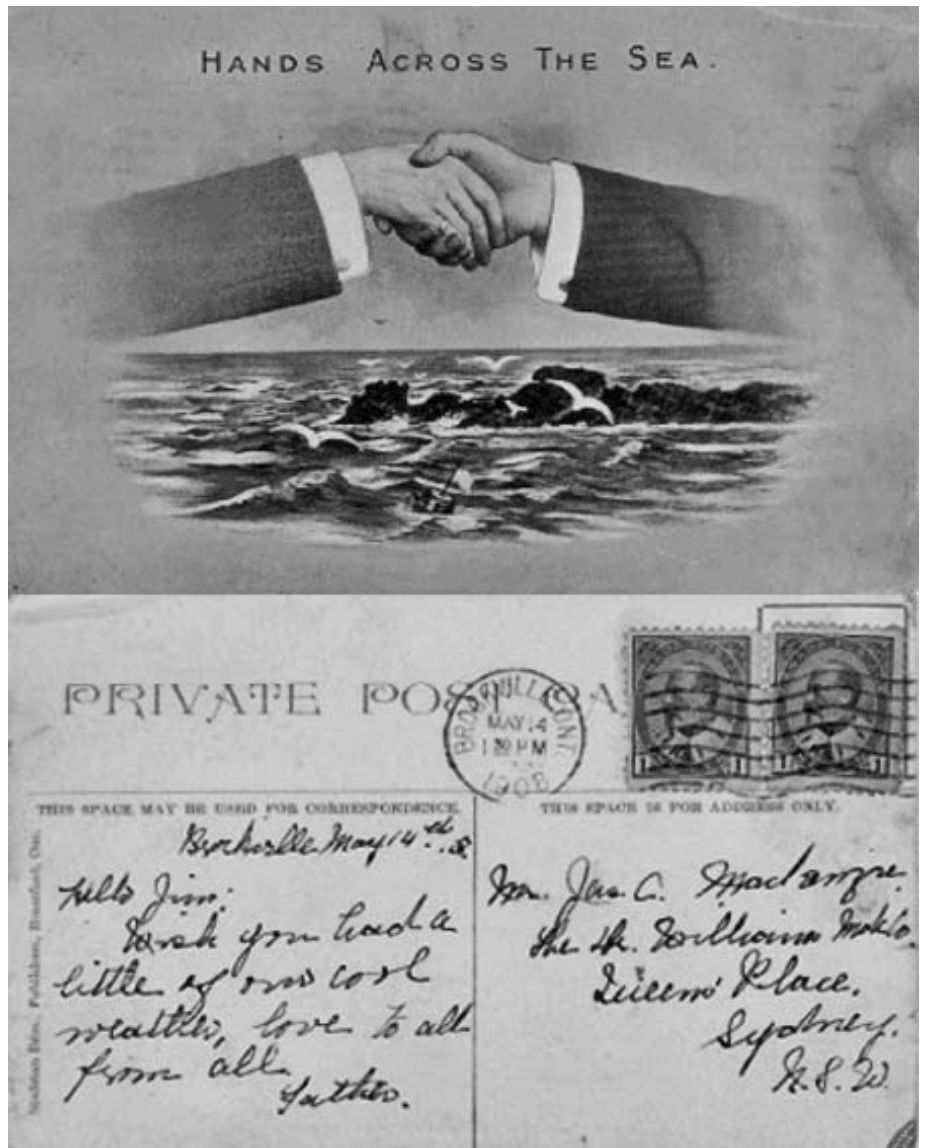
I too have had numerous replies to the cc'd cousins on the note to you! Everyone has their own 'theory', but we'll have to wait and see what comes up. Anne is investigating rations books, land deeds, etc....all very complicated, but interesting and perhaps she will come up with the final correct result!

Sharie Argue

The following is from Donald MacDonald-Ross who has common areas of research with many of us. Sir Alex the explorer wanders a bit from my own focus on Lochbroom, but his connection to the furtraders has long interested me, and it is great to see others researching his past.

My guesses at this point include Roderick MacKenzie who was sent from Achiltibuie as a child or youth to stay with the Mackenzies at Stornoway. He was of similar age to Alex, and from their correspondence the two had known each other in Scotland.

Roderick grew up at a time his father and grandmother were fighting to hold Achiltibuie, and it was not unusual for some children to be sent to relatives at time of trouble. Perhaps even he



was sent to Stornoway when the family was shuffled off to Dalpolly in 1768.

The connection between the two families may have come from almost any of the three generations earlier; his grandmother Catherine Mackenzie was very influential in the family, influenced in turn by her mother Lady Ballone niece of the famous 17th century lawyer Sir George Mackenzie of Rosehaugh ("Bluidy MacKenzie" chief legal officer in Scotland) and "who on that account is reckoned a kind of Oracle among the Women".

My guess is young Roderick was sent off to Stornoway to get him away from the troubles (and give

one less mouth to feed), and one of the parents of Kenneth MacKenzie there (father of Sir Alex) was a sibling of Catherine.

Any other guesses most welcome!

Donald MacDonald-Ross

Donald MacDonald-Ross has a web page at <http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~coigach>

Focus of his web page is genealogy, sociology, and history of Coigach. That district is the north-west third of Lochbroom Parish in Ross and Cromarty, Scotland. Coigach became a possession of the Mackenzies about 1600 through

the marriage of Sir Roderick Mackenzie, Tutor of Kintail, to Margaret Macleod, heiress of the Lewis MacLeods who had held Coigach for centuries.

Though not a descendant of Mackenzies himself, Donald's work in Coigach records has involved many descendants of Mackenzies there, many of whose families were intermarried with his own ancestry there. He would be happy to hear from any Mackenzie descendants from Lochbroom.

Just reading the latest Cabar Feidh. I note you suggest that Donald Mackenzie is thought by some to be Alex's brother. In point of fact he was a first cousin, one of the "boys" invited out by Alex. There was also Roderick and my ggg grandfather Henry.

Did you know that Donald also had a river named after him? The McKenzie of Oregon, quite a famous fishing stream. In fact it even has its own boat design, the McKenzie River driftboat. This I got from Ben MacKenzie, who said it happened when he was down there working for John Jacob Astor.

Here is a McKenzie River website, one of many: http://www.creeksideflyfishing.com/mckenzie_river.htm

I should explain the reason for my definiteness about the relationship if you are going to use this tidbit. My grandmother was born in 1884 and lived until I was in grade 11. Her grandmother Catherine Mackenzie, Roderick's brother Henry's daughter, was alive until January 6th 1920. So I have a direct living link back to Henry, no research involved.

David Ford

Victoria, BC

Sure interesting story about Pia Goddard and her family search. She must be a direct descendant of Sir Alexander Mackenzie. Very interesting. I always wondered if there were any descendants from that family. I have read many fur trade history books and they say Sir Alex's native wife's name was called "The Cat" and they had a son named Andrew and a daughter named Marie. Andrew died at Fort Vermilion when quite young from blood poisoning when employed by the North West Company. He died on March 1, 1809 and was buried at Fort Vermilion, AB. According to the history books Andrew was baptized in Montreal PQ. In the history book, "The Journals and Letters of Sir Alexander Mackenzie" there is good information on Sir Alexander's native family in Canada. On page 498 there are references to a Mrs Mackenzie of Trois Rivieres PQ and to a Kitty who needs caring for; one can only surmise that Kitty is The Cat, who died at Fort Chipewewyan about ten years after Mackenzie had left Athabasca. Another good book is "Documents Relating To The North West Company" by W. Stewart Wallace [Toronto 1934]. Another source of information is the Dictionary Of National Biography.

My gt gt Grandfather and my gt Grandfather both worked for the Hudson Bay Company and had interesting careers as Fur Traders. My gt Grandfather claimed he was a close relative of Sir Alexander Mackenzie, he may be a close cousin somewhere in Scotland. Now that I am on the Cyber World I will be able to sort things out. I

will mail you some information on my gt grandfathers, both named Alexander. And also some information on Sir George Simpson [governor of Ruperts Land for the Hudsons Bay Company, 1821-1860. Did you know he had Mackenzie blood in his veins?

I think I may be able to find more information on Sir Alexander's native family in Canada when I have more time to review my fur trading history books. I think I read someplace that he also had a native daughter by the name of Julie.

Dennis Ross MacKenzie,
Edmonton

In 2005 you included in "The Canadian Chapter Magazine" an article covering a trip my wife and I took to New Zealand and Australia where we visited my grandfather's grave in Sydney.

My grandfather was born in Brockville, Ontario became a world traveller for the C.E. Fulford Patent Medicine Co., established an overseas branch in Sydney while there suffered a fatal accident.

My brother David, now living in Brockville has recently acquired old documents including a post card that was sent by my great-grandfather to his son in Sydney - post marked May 14, 1908. (See attached).

I don't know if this is worth anything to you / other readers but just in case it might, here it is.

Best regards,

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ps Seems my great-grandfather was a man of few words.

Enjoying the DNA articles. Sent a

copy to my cousin in Australia. He found it interesting too.

Heather Mackenzie,
New Westminster, BC

Great explanation of DNA Sampling.

Terance G. McKenzie
Chelmsford, ON

I always look forward to receiving my Newsletter!

Stella E. Cleave,
Mission, B.C.

Great magazine Alan! Very much appreciated. Your magazine has helped me immensely in my genealogy, Thanks!

Dennis Ross MacKenzie,
Edmonton, AB

Alan, here is my renewal for 2006/2007 along with three new membership applications You are doing a great job.

Ron McKenzie, Winnipeg, MB
[Ed: I love getting notes with lots of new members - thanks a lot Ron!]

Keep up the good work. I always look forward to the interesting info. in the newsletter,

Stephen MacKenzie,
Vancouver, BC

Dear Alan,

Our family had a wonderful trip to Scotland and one of the highlights was our tour of Castle Leod. We visited the information centre in Strathpeffer in the morning of Sept 21st and later one of our daughters was exploring the village and met the lady that was in the information centre. The lady said she wanted to introduce her to a certain person. That person was Lady Gilean Mackenzie, the Earl's sister. A most

gracious and refined lady.

The Earl conducted the tour and he does a wonderful job. He brings the Castle and its history to life with his wit and charm.

We thank you for your part in making the tour possible.

Regards.
The Donald MacKenzie Family.

Dear Alan,

I'm late with my membership - there is a reason - In August Rick, my son, and I flew to Resolute in the high Arctic and joined an expedition, which took us through the North West Passage. We travelled west to the Beaufort Sea and then repeated the passage eastward. This was an historic voyage, through the passage by Roald Amundsen in 1906 - one hundred years ago.

Unfortunately I had a bad fall getting into the Zodiac and severed a tendon in my right leg, - I stayed on board but have undergone surgery and rehabilitation in the past couple of months. I am now home and having physiotherapy.

As I am now in my 86th year, all I can say is that the body may be getting weak but the exploratory MacKenzie spirit is still strong!

G. Jackson MacKenzie,
Kanata, Ontario

MACKENZIE TARTAN SHIRTS

We have been asked many times over the years if we had any Mackenzie tartan shirts, but we have never been able to find them. We now have an unusual opportunity through the good work of Ian Alexander MacKenzie, who has researched the subject, to make a supply just for our clan.

The downside is that tartan is very expensive and to get a supply of Viyella Mackenzie tartan we

have to purchase 500 yards of the stuff and this would make about 220 shirts.

We would like to hear from any one who has any interest in buying one of these shirts at a cost of around \$100 to contact us as soon as possible. This will help us to make up our minds whether to proceed or not with such a large order.

ARE YOU RELATED TO OTHER MAC/MCKENZIES IN THE WORLD?

Are you a male member named Mackenzie or McKenzie or even one of the sept names such as Smart? If so then find out if you are related to others in the clan on the male line by getting your DNA tested. We have 130 members in the project and results in from around the world seem to indicate a number of close relationship within the last few hundred years.

Interested? **Get in touch with me, Alan McKenzie at alan@mkz.com** to find out more and join. Cost for 12 markers on your y-chromosome (which you inherit from your father and his father ad infinitum) is US\$99 plus \$2 postage. The test is painless and no blood is drawn.

Since we are all related to one another through our descent 100,000 years ago from a man who lived in Africa, why do we not all have the same DNA. The answer is that every 40 generations (or about 1000 years or so), one of the markers on your DNA can mutate. If you match exactly with another person then there is a high chance of a close relationship and further tests can be done to find out how close - such as going for 37 marker or even more. If you have several different markers from another Mackenzie

then the chances are slim that there is any near relationship.

Why should the septs be interested? Well the reason is that surnames in the Highlands are relatively modern. Although there have been Mackenzies going back to the 15th century, the vast bulk of the clansmen working on clan lands had a Gaelic surname and it was not until the 18th century that these gave way to the adoption of the clan name. So, the Smart sept, for example might find they match with other Mackenzies, descending from a relatively recent common male ancestor (say three or four hundred years ago).

REPORT ON THE 3RD ANNUAL FAMILY TREE DNA CONFERENCE

The following report was written by Dr Margaret Allen, who attended the Conference with me and Connie McKenzie and Alice Fairhurst - all Mackenzie clan members.

I have just returned from attending the third annual conference for Group Project Administrators of Family Tree DNA in Houston. The first conference, two years ago, was held in Houston, and last year's conference was held at the National Geographic headquarters in Washington, D.C. As usual, we were given a new book to read. It looks very interesting and is called *Deep Ancestry - Inside the Genographic Project*, and it was written by Spencer Wells. The conference lasted for two days, and we heard from a variety of exceptional and talented speakers.

The conference last year was held at the National Geographic Society headquarters because National Geographic and Family

Tree DNA had become partners in a global study of genetic ancestry. Dr. Spencer Wells who is the director of the National Geographic Society Genographic Project was scheduled to speak to us; however, at the last minute he had received permission (finally) to travel to Chad to collect samples so the team was en route to Chad. Therefore, we heard a videotape of him last year, but this year his assistant, Jason Blue-Smith, showed us a video of their trip to Chad. There are currently about 6,000 languages in the world, half of which Spencer anticipates will be extinct by the end of the next century. Consequently, the Genographic team is attempting to document those languages and to collect DNA from groups which might become extinct soon. The group in Chad is one such group. The team travelled by jeep through desert regions, camping at night in tents, in order to reach the small group of people. They have their own phlebotomist to collect blood samples; saliva breaks down quickly, especially under desert conditions, so they prepare the blood samples in the field so that they can be carried back safely. In addition, they want to collect a sufficiently-sized sample so that there is enough for them to use at present along with some to store for future generations of researchers.

The Genographic Project has three goals. Their area of specialty is called "phylo-geography" and they are doing global sampling. They have set up ten labs around the globe and work with members of those labs out in the field.

Their second goal is public participation. Some individuals join the National Geographic Project

and send in a cheek swab for a basic 12 marker Y-DNA Test. It is Family Tree DNA which processes the actually laboratory work. Individuals can first join the Genographic Project and then join, secondly, Family Tree DNA. Individuals who already have participated in Family Tree DNA testing can opt to join additionally the National Genographic Project. There is a \$15 charge for doing so, and this money is donated to the Legacy Project. A person from Family Tree DNA is given an ID code and password in order to locate his or her personal results within the National Geographic Project, but the data is entered entirely anonymously. Therefore, one must keep track of one's own ID and password, or the information is lost forever! Persons participating in the Genographic Project also are contributing a portion to the Legacy Fund.

Thus, the third goal of the National Geographic Genographic Project is the Legacy Project. This is a fund to enable researchers to collect DNA samples from a variety of people around the globe. Ultimately, a Virtual Atlas of Human History will be put on the web so that researchers can do "data mining." Eventually, National Geographic will have maps for distribution based on the global data base.

So far, 168,000 kits have been purchased for the Genographic Project, and several of those individuals have crossed over and also joined Family Tree DNA. Additionally, 9,500 participants in Family Tree DNA have added their data to the Genographic Project. So, there has been a fair amount of

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE CLAN MACKENZIE SOCIETY, CANADA FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

Clan MacKenzie Society in the Americas - Canadian Chapter **Balance Sheet as at December 31, 2005**

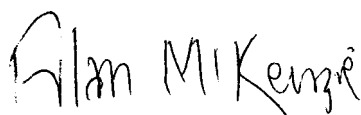
Assets	\$	\$	Liabilities	\$	\$
Cash at Bank			Capital Account 1/1/2005	107,125.84	
CIBC - Nevada Account	392.84		Net Deficit Income for 2005	<u>(3,004.41)</u>	
CIBC - General Account	3,642.50		Total Capital	<u>104,121.43</u>	104,121.43
CIBC - Account at Interest	0.00				
ING Bank Account at Interest	<u>37,202.57</u>				
Total Cash at Bank	<u>41,237.91</u>	41,237.91			
Other Investments (at current value)	26,298.94		Castle Leod Project a/c		10.00
Inventory at cost	10,734.80		Suspense Account		0.00
Nevada fees in advance	1,505.25				
GST Receivable	0.00				
Other receivables	0.00				
Inventory of 1894 Books	2,728.50				
Inventory of W.L.Mackenzie books	1,393.87				
Payments in Advance	350.00				
Inventory of Donald Mackenzie books	163.65				
Clan Van at cost less depreciation	19,718.51				
		<u>\$104,131.43</u>			<u>\$104,131.43</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements

Note #1 - During the year two officers claimed for travelling and other expenses amounting to \$1041.65 and these claims were offset by donations from these officers.

Note #2 - The total of funds sent to the Clan Mackenzie Charitable Trust for the Castle Leod Project came to Pds48,996.16 for the period up to Dec 2004. The \$10,092.50 sent in 2005 converted to Pds5000, thereby increasing the funds remitted from Society & members to Pds53,996.16.

I hereby certify that these accounts are a true and accurate reflection of the financial activities of the Clan MacKenzie Society in the Americas - Canadian Chapter for the Year ended 31 December, 2005



Alan McKenzie, ACIB, FICB, F.Inst.D., FSA Scot, Treasurer

Clan MacKenzie Society in the Americas - Canadian Chapter

Interim Financial Statements

December 31, 2005

Income and Expenditure Account

Expenditure	\$	\$	Income	\$	\$
Personal Donations to Castle Leod account	2,665.24		Nevada net income		5,715.50
Society Donations to Castle Leod Account	8,237.26		Donations (tax receipt)		3,745.81
Other Donations	50.00		Donations (no Tax receipt)		0.00
Catering & Rentals	586.91		Officers donations (Note #1)	1,041.65	
Postages	2,623.95		less expenses claimed	<u>1,041.65</u>	0.00
Printing & Publishing	2,989.43		Membership dues		7,452.56
Stationery & Office Supplies	731.06		Interest & Investment Income		5,252.50
Van Insurance, Licencing, Gas, Expenses	1,334.20		Profit from sales		1,273.09
Van depreciation (15%)	3,479.74		GST Recovered		615.62
AGM & Picnic	2,199.06		Other Income		170.00
Sundry Expenses	2,182.44				
Bank Charges	100.20				
Memberships - CASSOC	50.00				
Sub-total	27,229.49				
Net Income/(deficit)	(3,004.41)				
	<u>\$24,225.08</u>				<u>\$24,225.08</u>

Castle Leod Project - Accounts

Expenses	\$	Income	\$
Paid to Castle Leod Project 2005 (see Note #2)	10,902.50	Balance in hand at December 31, 2004	10.00
		Per Personal Donations	2,665.24
Balance in Hand - December 31, 2005	10.00	Clan Society Donation	8,237.26
	<u>\$10,912.50</u>		<u>\$10,912.50</u>

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Clan MacKenzie Society in the Americas, Canadian Chapter, held at Black Creek Pioneer Village, Toronto, Ontario on Sunday, September 10, 2006.

Present: Norman S. MacKenzie CD - Commissioner - Toronto

Mary-Lou Oyler - Secretary

Other members and guests totalled 10.

Due to a previous commitment, Alan was unable to attend. In his absence, Norman was asked to Chair the meeting. Norman welcomed everyone and a special welcome was extended to Bruce McKenzie who had travelled from Montreal to attend the picnic and AGM.

The Minutes of the previous meeting read and were moved by Bruce McKenzie, seconded by Mary Jane Gray.

Mary-Lou read Alan's 2006 report. Norman read an e-mailed report from Rad MacKenzie - Commissioner from Gravenhurst. The only Games Rad attended this year were at the Orillia Scottish Festival. There was limited potential for new members at other Games. Sales were good at Orillia and they signed up one new member.

Norman read his report regarding Fergus and Georgetown. Attendance was down at the Georgetown Games this year. However there was a fairly good attendance at Fergus with good sales of merchandise. There were no other Commissioners' reports.

Norman read the Treasurer's Report submitted by Alan McKenzie.

This was moved by Jean Strong. Seconded by Bruce McKenzie.

In Alan's Report, he stated that after twenty years he wishes to reduce his work involvement with the Clan MacKenzie Society of Canada, though he was prepared to continue as Newsletter Editor and Treasurer. He recommended that Norman S. Mackenzie be considered as President of the Society.

Shawn MacKenzie moved to elect Norman S. MacKenzie as the President. Seconded by Bruce McKenzie. Carried.

Election of Commissioners

Bruce McKenzie moved to elect the slate of Commissioners as listed.

Seconded by Shawn MacKenzie. Carried.

Alan McKenzie - Commissioner at Large

Alistair D. MacKenzie - Commissioner Oakville/Burlington

Alistair (Alex) D. MacKenzie - Commissioner - Northern Alberta

Gary A. Mackenzie - Commissioner - Eastern Ontario

Glen W. McKenzie - Commissioner - Computer Genealogist

Ian Stuart Mackenzie - Commissioner - in British Columbia

Joan MacKenzie - Commissioner - in British Columbia

James Malcolm MacKenzie - Commissioner - in Nova Scotia

James P. McKenzie - Commissioner - Quebec

John Richard Mackenzie - Commissioner - North West Territories

Ken Mackenzie - Commissioner - Hamilton/Niagara

Michael Hugh Mackenzie - Commissioner - Manitoba

Norman S. MacKenzie - President and Commissioner - Toronto

Radleigh A. MacKenzie - Commissioner - Northern Ontario

Sir Roderick Mackenzie of Scatwell - Commissioner - Calgary

William John MacKenzie - Commissioner - Vancouver

Rick McKenzie Melucci - Commissioner - Clan Forum Interest

Norman reported on the coach trip to the Stone Mountain Highland Games. He informed the members that Lady Janet and their two sons would attend in the absence of the Chief. Those planning to make the trip were contacted and it was the wishes of all concerned that we should still continue with the trip.

This was moved by Jean Strong and seconded by Shawn MacKenzie. Carried.

Donation to Castle Leod

Mary Jane moved that we send a donation of \$ 5,000 to the Castle Leod Project. Seconded by Bruce McKenzie.

Following the Clan Gathering in 2005 there was some discussion about the importance of having

input from those countries who donate to the Castle Leod Project regarding its development and

to establish an International Committee. This was presented to the Chief, who agreed and Ken MacKenzie, from St. Catharines, volunteered to be on this Committee.

There will be an International Clan Gathering in Halifax next year. Discussion was held as to the possibility of a coach trip. This will be discussed at the December meeting. Possible date for the Gathering is - July 1 to 8.

Norman talked about the importance of membership in the Clan Society and an effort to obtain more members in other provinces. The pipers for this year's picnic were from the "Rogues of Northumberland". P/M was Alex Strecker. The dancers were from the "Joyce Kite School of Highland Dancing", Etobicoke.

Jean Strong moved to adjourn. Seconded by Bruce McKenzie. Carried. Meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m

crossover between projects.

Recently, Dr. Wells and his team visited Tajikistan along with the members of the National Geographic team from Russia. They attempted the trip earlier on but had to turn back because the Taliban were fast approaching the area. One particular town they visited sees 99% of the opium traffic in the world, and the police try to keep the area secure. We also saw video clips of their work there. The mountainous conditions make travel very hazardous. Jason remarked that mountains also serve as "genetic isolators" maintaining separateness of various ethnic groups.

Family Tree DNA started out processing ten kits a month, and they now are processing between 6,000 and 10,000 per month. There are 3647 different surname groups, and the average number of participants per group is 20 persons. [The Mackenzies have 130, which makes us one of the larger groups]. They have Y-DNA data (i.e., paternal line) from 81,000 males in the database, and about 30,000 participants (male and female) in the mtDNA (maternal ancestry) database.

After test kits arrive in Houston and are logged in, the actual sample (with ID number only attached) is forwarded to the laboratory at the University of Arizona where the samples are analyzed. A brand new automated state-of-the-art laboratory has been built. The testing and control of the data are protected so that only the tests which YOU order can and will be conducted on the samples. The ethics and standards in university projects are monitored by the Institutional Review Board (IRB) under federal government guidelines. Additionally, backup samples are maintained off-site in the event of a natural disaster (such as hurricanes Katrina and Rita last year). And, as you know, the remainder of your sample will be guarded for 25 years, and you can order further tests-especially as newer ones become available. Right now, the price on some of the more sophisticated tests has been reduced if anyone is interested in upgrading.

Another important researcher has joined the team this past year, Dr. Doron Behar, a physician and nephrologist, who is focusing on the study of mitochondrial DNA. Dr. Behar is Family Tree DNA's chief mtDNA geneticist and Genographic Project consultant while Dr. Michael Hammer is the Y-DNA specialist and head of the Human Origins Genotyping Lab in Arizona. The company also has opened a new Genomics Research Center in Houston where a German scientist, Dr. Thomas Krahn, will be working.

And, Josephine Johnston, an attorney from New Zealand who specializes in ethics, has joined the team. The growth of this area of genetic genealogy is growing exponentially, and I am astonished each year by that growth and by how much more I continue to learn.

Our thanks to Peggy Allen for this interesting report.

MORE HELP WITH THE MACKENZIE DNA PROJECT

I have a couple more additions to add on the subject of DNA. As mentioned earlier we rank as one of the leading single surname family DNA Projects and it is important that we continue to grow the project with more members so that the increasing data helps us trace other close relations around the world.

In this respect I am delighted to report that Alice Fairhurst, a 30 year plus member of the Clan MacKenzie Society in the United States has volunteered to be the co-coordinator, or administrator of the Mackenzie DNA Project. Alice is already the DNA administrator for the Matheson and MacRae surname projects. Her expertise and abilities are very much welcome and her many contacts among Mackenzies in the USA will be very valuable. She helped found the Southern Californian Branch of the Clan MacKenzie Society over 30 years ago and she has a keen desire to add genealogical data to the DNA Project and will be pursuing members in the Project to provide more information. I am very pleased that she has joined with me in this as this is an international project, and she brings much knowledge of the DNA Project with her. her e-mail address is: afairhurst@earthlink.net.

DNA Donation Received

The other piece of news relative to DNA is that a member who wishes to remain anonymous is keen to get more people to join the project and expand their numbers of markers - particularly those that form a large base of almost-matching members. He has therefore donated a sum of \$1,000 and this money will be used in conjunction with him to expand the size of the Mackenzie DNA database. This will help us to go after people whose genealogy connects directly in the male line to the earliest Mackenzies (and these seem to be very few and hard to find).

Finally I would welcome some reports from members in the DNA Project to tell us what they have dis-

covered to date from DNA. In my own case I have found that like 90% of Mackenzies I am an R1b1 which means we descend from a common ancestor living around 25,000 years ago. Nothing remarkable in that! However I also do not match closely with the rest of the Mackenzies and I began to wonder if there was some non-paternity event in the past. So I approached Colin McKenzie who, like myself, was a retired bank executive. His family tree showed him descending from a common ancestor of mine in the Highlands of Scotland in Easter Ross. He is my fourth cousin once removed and we share a common male McKenzie ancestor born around 1730. Our respective DNAs share 34 out of 37 markers. Although this was not an exact match we were each others closest match out of over 80,000 DNAs to date. On that basis I am satisfied that at least the genealogy to 1730 is proven.

One extra final reminder. We are looking for men only please for the project whose surname is Mackenzie, McKenzie or one of the names of the clan septs. Ladies do not have a y-chromosome so if you want to participate then find a male relative with one of those names. Ladies can of course do a mitochondrial DNA which they inherit from their female line back in time. However, this is not much use in genealogy unless you have detailed records of the maiden surnames of your female ancestors and can compare with others who have the same detailed records. I do not recommend this unless you wish to know which of the "Seven Daughters of Eve" you descend from. See Dr. Bryan Sykes' book "The Seven Daughters of Eve", which explains a great deal about DNA.

JILL MCKENZIE 1938-2006

Local Toronto area members might already know that my wife Jill was taken seriously ill in early October and as a consequence I had to miss the coach trip to Stone Mountain. Jill remained very sick and was in Intensive Care at Oakville Trafalgar Hospital. She remained in hospital for almost three months until she finally was overcome by an underlying stomach cancer which took her life on December 27th.

Jill and I had been married for over 48 years. Her mother, Flora, and my family of four children and nine grandchildren - are all devastated by the loss of Jill, a wonderful wife and mother.

Jill was very much involved with clan matters in the early days when we had only a very small membership. Latterly she was particularly known by the local mem-



bers in the Toronto area when she provided the tea and refreshments at the Clan meetings in Oakville, for which members were very complimentary.

Jill's illness has set back a number of more recent clan matters including the newsletter for which I apologize.

The photo shows Jill and I at a Tartan Day Dinner in Toronto in recent years. She remained beautiful to the last.

Alan McKenzie

FROM THE PRESIDENT: NORMAN S. MACKENZIE

We regret to inform you of the passing of Jill McKenzie, wife of Alan McKenzie, immediate Past President. Jill passed away on the 27th of December after a short illness.

For those of you who that had met or knew Jill, you will remember that warm smile and soft manner she had. For those of you that had attended the monthly or quarterly meetings, we will remember the tremendous array of food that she would provide for us after the meeting. This encompassed a period of almost 20 years.

To Jill, we will be forever grateful for her dedication and support of the Clan Mackenzie in Canada. To Alan, Jill's mother, Flora, and the family our deepest sympathy.

BRITISH COLUMBIA REPORT

Hello Alan

On Sunday, the MacKenzies gathered at a local restaurant in New Westminster and we shared a meal together as well as a visit and renewal of stories.

There were 21 able to attend. We listened to the pipes played by Everett and Ian and then we heard Willie's new CD of original music. We're very proud that he is one of ours.

We shared your family news of Jill fighting for her life and I want you to know that as a group, we send you and your family our thoughts and prayers.

With hope

Joan MacKenzie (Commissioner) and the Clan MacKenzie in New Westminster, BC.

TRIP TO STONE MOUNTAIN HIGHLAND GAMES.

17TH TO THE 23RD OCTOBER, 2006.

By Norman S. Mackenzie, President

Tuesday the 17th.

The journey commenced with the departure from Union Station at 6:30 AM with about half of the group. The rain that morning was a steady downpour.

The first stop was at the Holiday Inn, at Burlington to pick up the remainder of the group. This was also where we were to meet, Alan McKenzie for the transfer of suitcases containing the merchandise that we would have for sale at the Games in Stone Mountain. This was where we were to get our assigned driver Ruth Graves, who was to prove to be exceptional, never hesitating to do anything we asked and making the journey enjoyable. During all of this the rain still continued a heavy downpour and was to stay with us for most of the morning.

Normally the trip would have us cross at Fort Erie, but due to the severe snow storm that hit New York State the previous weekend much of the hydro was out at the border. So we therefore made our way to Lewiston Bridge, stopping for enough time to pick up the necessary "refreshments" at the duty free.

As we crossed the border into New York State it was obvious the amount of damage that had taken place with trees down, or cut in half. The damage was extensive.

The first day of the journey would take us through several states. New York - Pennsylvania - West Virginia - Virginia. There was finally a break in the weather when crossing into West Virginia, Here some of the

scenery is outstanding, with heavily forested mountains and picturesque valleys.

Other than a couple of stops for coffee and lunch we made our way south via highways 79 and 77 to our overnight stop at the Ramada Inn, Wytheville Virginia. Arriving at about 7:30 PM.

Wednesday the 18th.

We started the morning by having a group photograph taken in front of the bus and started out at 8:40 a.m. Taking highway 77 onto 85, this highway taking us into Atlanta.

To further illustrate what a great driver we had, she was quick to observe signage indicating an accident up ahead. She pulled off at about 11:30 a.m. at a location which had a Factory Outlet Mall. This proved to be a bonus to some, not only a place to eat but also do some Christmas shopping and get some great bargains.

After a two hour stop we continued on to Atlanta, arriving at the host hotel, The Hilton at 5:00 p.m. This was a relatively new hotel, nice rooms but the catering had much to be desired.

The group was greeted at the hotel by Rita Oster, who also had some gifts for each of the group. Rita is a member of the Clan Mackenzie in the US and had assisted us greatly in the planning of our stay in Atlanta. This was also where we would meet up with the remaining members of our group, Barbara Reichardt, Larry and Gaile Pollard and Bruce McKenzie.

The remainder of the day was free and everyone was able to relax and get some rest. Some were fortunate to be able to meet Lady Janet Cromartie, just as she and her sons were departing the Hotel for an event.

Thursday the 19th

This was the day that had been planned and arranged for by Rita Oster and her daughter-in-law, Linda. They had gone to a tremendous amount of work and researching Atlanta and the surrounding area, even to the point of driving the route prior to the day.

Joining us on the tour was Janet, Lady Cromartie, and this was the only day where would be able host her. So a luncheon was arranged whereby we could host Lady Janet and all of those on the tour by the Clan MacKenzie of Canada (See separate coverage of tour)

The day ended with us returning to the Hotel at 4:00 p.m. and the remainder of the day was free.

Friday the 20th.

Stone Mountain Park. This day would give those on the tour a chance to take in Stone Mountain Park, and

all that it had to offer.

We departed the Hotel at 9:30 a.m. and on arriving at the park, did a circular tour of the park and the mountain. Everyone was then dropped off and were then able to tour the park on their own.

I made my way to the Clan Mackenzie tent, where tables had been provided for us to display our merchandise, that would be for sale the next day during the games.

At 3:30 p.m. everyone assembled and we returned to the hotel, in time so that those that were attending, could prepare of the Sponsors Reception.

The Sponsors Reception is hosted by the Stone Mountain Highland Games and purchasing a Sponsors Package in advance of the Games allows you to attend.

This is an enjoyable evening, with an excellent buffet and open bar.

It also allows you the opportunity to meet members from other clans and parts of the country, as well as the officials of the games.

Saturday 21st, Games Day

Departure from the hotel was early, due to the fact that we had to be there in good time to man the tent, from the sales point of view.

The games are set in a wooded part of the park, with all of the events set out in different areas, and most of the vendors and clans being in amongst the trees.

With the Clan Mackenzie being the featured clan, the tent was on the edge of the main field and in area where many of those attending the games passed by. I think it also helped that we were directly across from the hospitality booth. This is the booth, where if you purchased a sponsors package, there is an open bar. "Very Convenient"

A great time was enjoyed by all, in addition with the help of Mary-Lou Oyler and a few others we did extremely well with the sale of Clan Mackenzie merchandise and goods.

Clan Mackenzie in the America's Reception. The President and the Clan had arranged a reception for Lady Janet and her two sons, following the games. This was to take place at the Red Roof Inn, which was a short distance from our hotel.

It was during this reception that I, as the President, made the presentation of a cheque for £5,000 to Lady Cromartie, towards the Castle Leod Restoration Project, from the Clan Mackenzie Canada.

Sunday 22nd

We had planned to attend the games on the Sunday,

but due to the main events not getting under way until lunchtime, it was decided that we would not attend. So we departed early morning giving us the time needed, to get to our same overnight stop at Wytheville Va.

We arrived in good time, thus giving everyone a chance to relax after a few busy days. It also gave some of us a chance to finish off some "duty free"

Monday 23rd.

Departing the hotel at 8:30 a.m. and returning by the same route, with a stop at duty free, we arrived back in Burlington about 4:30 p.m. and then finally into Toronto.

This was a great trip and a most enjoyable time was had by all. A wonderful group of people to travel with.

Special thanks to Mary-Lou Oyler for much of the work, in putting the travel arrangements together.

The journey there and back gave us the opportunity to see some wonderful scenery, covering seven states: New York - Pennsylvania - West Virginia - Virginia - South Carolina - North Carolina - Georgia.

Those participating in the tour: Pat and Kaye Bondy, Aylmer. ON., Doug and Liz Kelly, Brampton. ON. Jack and Margaret Lennick, Toronto. ON., Bruce MacAlpine, Woodville. ON., Rod and Ruth Mackenzie, Bellingham, Washington. USA, Alex Mackenzie and Catherine Powell, Toronto.ON., Lorne and Marion Mackenzie, Fenlon Falls. ON., Norman Mackenzie, Toronto.ON., Mary-Lou Oyler, Toronto.ON., Merv and Jacqueline Rowan, Lindsay. ON., Steve Spence and Deborah Clarke, Courtice. ON., Fred and Audrey Webster, Toronto.ON., Bruce McKenzie, Montreal. PQ., Larry and Gaile Pollard, USA, Barbara Reichardt, USA, Angus and Pam Mackenzie, Honeoye Falls, NY. USA.





More Stone Mountain Photos - Below are our new President, Norman S. MacKenzie with Janet, Lady Cromartie & Clan Secretary Mary-Lou Oyler





Stone Mountain Highland Games. The Canadian Group at Stone Mountain. Janet, Lady Cromartie is front and centre. Our new President Norman S. MacKenzie is standing extreme left. Below: A group of ladies at Stone Mountain: Gaile Pollard, Lady Cromartie, Marion MacKenzie, Barbara Reichardt, Ruth Flucke.



MARY MAC GETS MARRIED

Our congratulations go to long time member Mary MacKenzie, of Espanola, Ontario, who sent us this fine photograph below. She married on September 23rd to: "a wonderful guy, Ken Hurtubise". With the couple is Father Huntley.

Lots of tartan around! Well done Mary Mac!

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