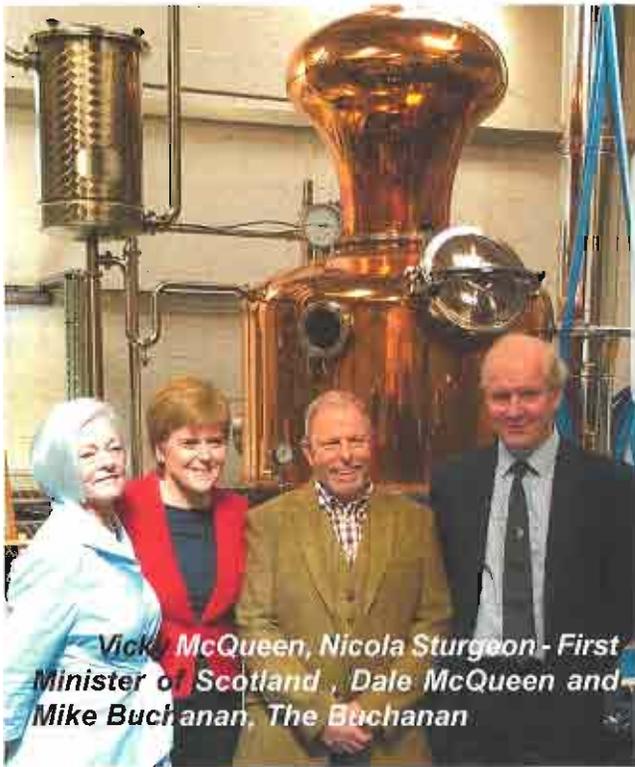




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# McQueen Gin Distillery opens in Callander, Scotland



*Vicky McQueen, Nicola Sturgeon - First Minister of Scotland, Dale McQueen and Mike Buchanan, The Buchanan*

With thanks to Trossachs Distillery Ltd.

Following three years of rapid growth and success for our now not-so-little gin distilling business in Callander at Drumbane Farm on Cambusmore Estate, the First Minister Nicola Sturgeon officially opened our brand-new distillery yesterday (Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May) on what was a momentous and very proud day for us all at Team McQueen!

The First Minister attended the 6,200<sup>2</sup>ft facility today to mark its official launch along with a selection of our friends, partners, customers and some members of the press. It was great to have the First Minister there for the official opening, and whilst addressing the attendees, she commented:

“The impressive growth of McQueen Gin

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**Dr. Pete Hylton  
is back!**

There's another wonderful  
“visit to Scotland”  
pages 33, 35, 37, 39.

*Happy Birthday to Beth's Newfangled Family Tree.  
We're twelve years old in this reincarnation!*



## Letter from your editor

# About Scottish clan websites...and it's not all good a'tall...



Producing a publication such as *Beth's Newfangled Family Tree* takes an enormous amount of "copy." That is, it takes a whole lotta words about Scottish events, clans, athletics, dancing, music, Flowers of the Forest, interesting things, etc.

I get many newsletters from many Scottish clans and organizations and many published materials. Still, sometimes it is not enough.

What in the world do I do? At every game I attend, I am told by so many folks at so many clan tents, "Just go to our website."

OK. So, using my list of all the Scottish Clans who, years ago, declared the Odom Library their archival and genealogical home, I have been slowly working my way through that list of about 135-140 clans who did that.

I'm perhaps one third of the way through the list and am very disappointed in what I find when I visit these clan websites.

It is not unusual to find a website that has not been updated in many years...I saw one the other day that had not been touched since 2014.

There are no newsletters, nothing past whatever year their webmaster evidently ran away to Timbuktu to pursue his/her dream of being a camel trainer.

I know there are good webmasters out there who do excellent work and have to cease being your webmaster for legitimate reasons, but...can't a new webmaster be found? It may not be easy, but, to keep a website viable and functioning is absolutely necessary to maintain a vibrant and active organization.

If you are dreaming of becoming a camel trainer, you know who you are.

*I surely have LOTS of "Bad Hair Day" photos! Is that because I have LOTS of those days? Probably so.*

If I find a website that is reasonably up to date...I find, in most cases, that I cannot see the newsletter as it is "reserved" for members only.

Folks, please rethink this. Your newsletter is your very best recruiting tool for new members. Your newsletter should be made available for everyone to see and read so that everyone may know of the wonderful things your clan does.

Who in the world would want to read a newsletter about people they do not know unless it is to make a membership decision?

If you have to hold it close to your chest for an issue or two, I'm sure there is a way to "release" newsletters so that potential members and also for publication editors so they may give you FREE, absolutely FREE publicity...which is a very good way for strangers to become members of your group.

You know, in the Scottish Community, we can do whatever we wish. There is no governing body or anyone to make rules.

That's great - except when your decisions are detrimental to things that are important to your clan.

I have found a very few clans who have websites that are absolutely wonderful. You can easily see the hard work and dedication that goes into these. You are examples to everyone else.



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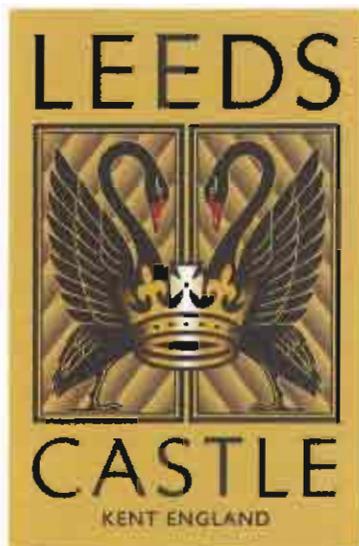
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# Obtaining Copies of Cuban Birth Certificates & Related Family Documentation

Compiled by **Bryan L. Mulcahy**, Reference Librarian,  
Fort Myers, Florida, Regional Library

As the influence of the Fidel and Raul Castro regimes wanes, a growing number of Cuban born Americans are seeking information about their background before coming to America. The focus seems to involve three categories.

1. They must obtain copies of certificates and documents related to birth, marriage, transcripts from schools, professional license certificates that are occupational, etc.

2. Reclaiming land and other types of personal property seized as part of the January 1, 1959 revolution.

3. Finding out the fate of lost friends and family members.

The links below provide an overview of the most current options available to patrons. This is not a comprehensive list but the links below appear to be the most authoritative and reliable ones to put these patrons in the best position for success. In order to obtain some of these documents, particularly those involving land, property, and other legal issues, staff should recommend contacting the US Embassy in Cuba and/or visiting the links for the US Department of State.

Relations between the US and Cuba continue to be tense but progress has been made towards

some level of normalization. The days when patrons had to contact the Swiss Embassy to act as the main intermediary for any types of queries have passed. Feel free to contact me with any questions or issues.

## Sources

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- <http://cubacityhall.com/>

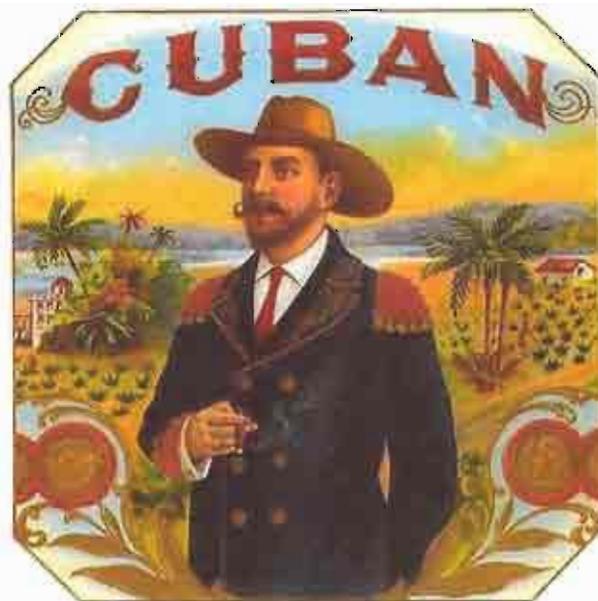
- Cuban Genealogy Center – Resources for Those Searching for their Cuban Roots and Families

- <https://www.cubagenweb.org/>

- Family Search Wiki – Cuba and Cuban Genealogy Research

- [https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Cuba\\_Genealogy](https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Cuba_Genealogy)

- Florida International University – Cuban Equivalent of Ancestry.com a Boon to Family His-



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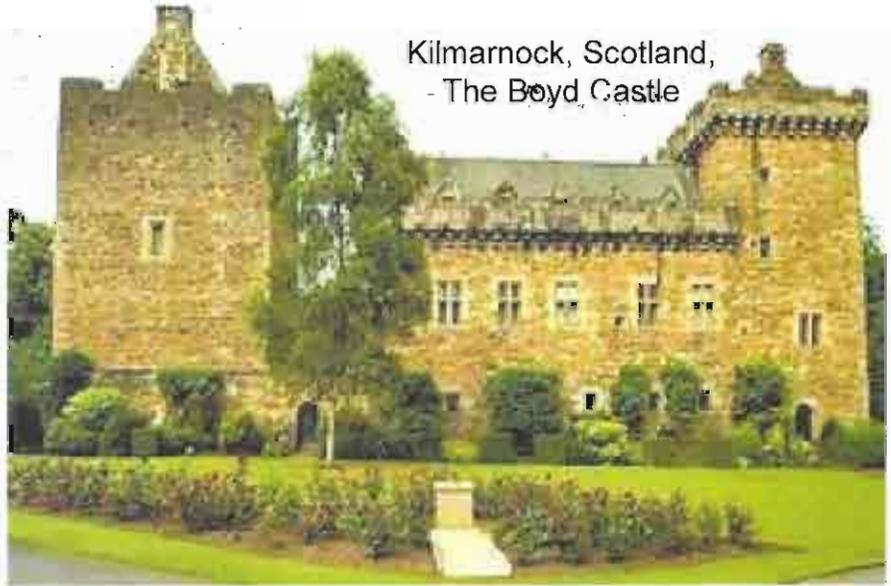
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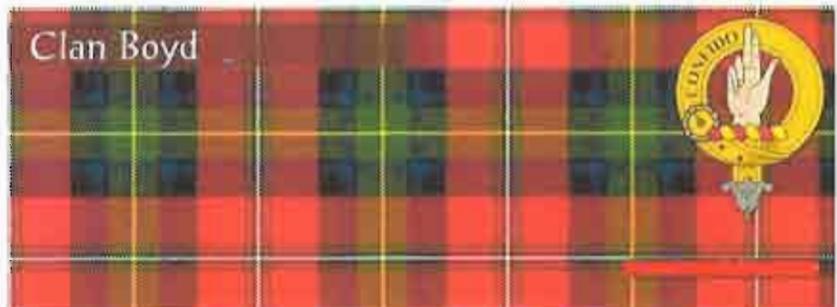
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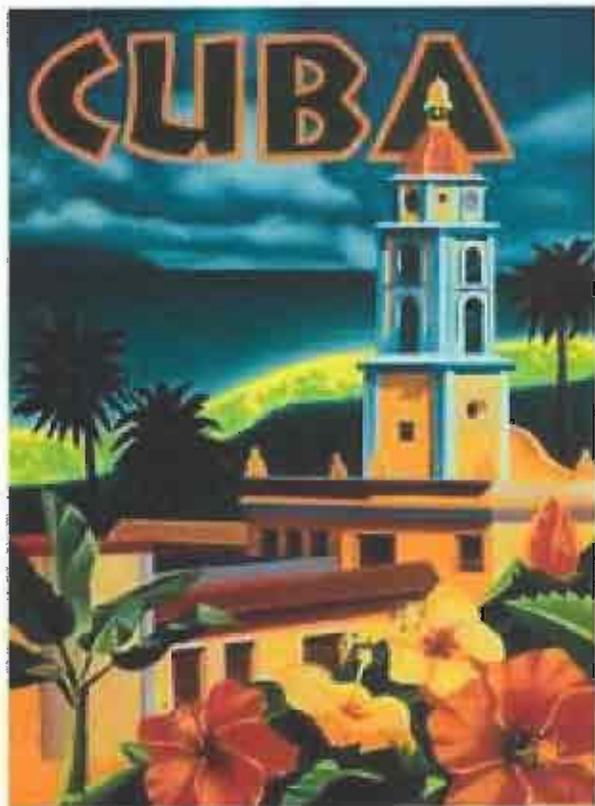


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## Clan Murray 2019 AGM set for Charleston, SC Scottish Games & Highland Gathering

The Clan Murray 2019 AGM will be held at Boone Hall Plantation, Mount Pleasant, South Carolina, held in conjunction with the 48th annual Charleston Scottish Games & Highland Gathering. More information about the games can be found at [www.charlestonscots.org/ssoc-home.html](http://www.charlestonscots.org/ssoc-home.html).

The games and Murray AGM will be held November 1, 2, 2019.

Lodging for Clan Murray members will be: Quality Inn & Suites, Patriots Point, Mount Pleasant. Additional information about the hotel can be found at [www.choicehotels.com/south-carolina/mount-pleasant/quality-inn-hotels/sc064](http://www.choicehotels.com/south-carolina/mount-pleasant/quality-inn-hotels/sc064). The hotel is twelve miles southeast of Charleston International Airport (CHS) and does not provide complimentary shuttle service for guests. Boone Hall Plantation is eight miles northeast of the hotel.

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## A spectacular festival is set to mark the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of The National Wallace Monument

Tickets are now on sale for *Wallace Wha Hae*, a special festival on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September designed to mark the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of The National Wallace Monument, the 220<sup>ft</sup> tower which pays homage to Scotland's national hero, William Wallace.

Families and friends are invited to enjoy a fun day out at *Wallace Wha Hae*, which is taking place in the grounds of Wallace High School. Starting at 2pm, revellers will be entertained by live music, delicious food and a range of great entertainment with a Wallace theme.



Musical acts will include internationally acclaimed bagpipe band, The Red Hot Chilli Pipers, as well as *The Voice UK* 2015 winner, Stevie McCrorie.

A funfair, face painting and a medieval crafts tent will ensure the festival is a hit with children, whilst traditional storytellers,

*Scotsbard*, and medieval re-enactment performance group, *The Clann*, will help guests to experience a different side of traditional Scottish culture.

Quality food and drink from a selection of Scottish suppliers will be available throughout the day, as well as a fully licensed bar.

Speaking of the event, Marketing Manager for Stirling District Tourism, the charity that operates the Monument, Ken Thomson said: "The building of a national memorial to pay tribute to William Wallace was an important chapter in the story of Stirling. From the great public meeting in The King's Park in 1856, and the Laying of the Foundation Stone in 1861, through to the completion and opening of the Monument in 1869 - Stirling became the focal point for the people of Scotland, where they would recognise the patriot and martyr who had become the country's national hero. 150 years later the Monument has become an internationally recognised symbol of Wallace's passion and status, and it is proudly revered by everyone who

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# Clan MacCallum - Malcolm Society of North America



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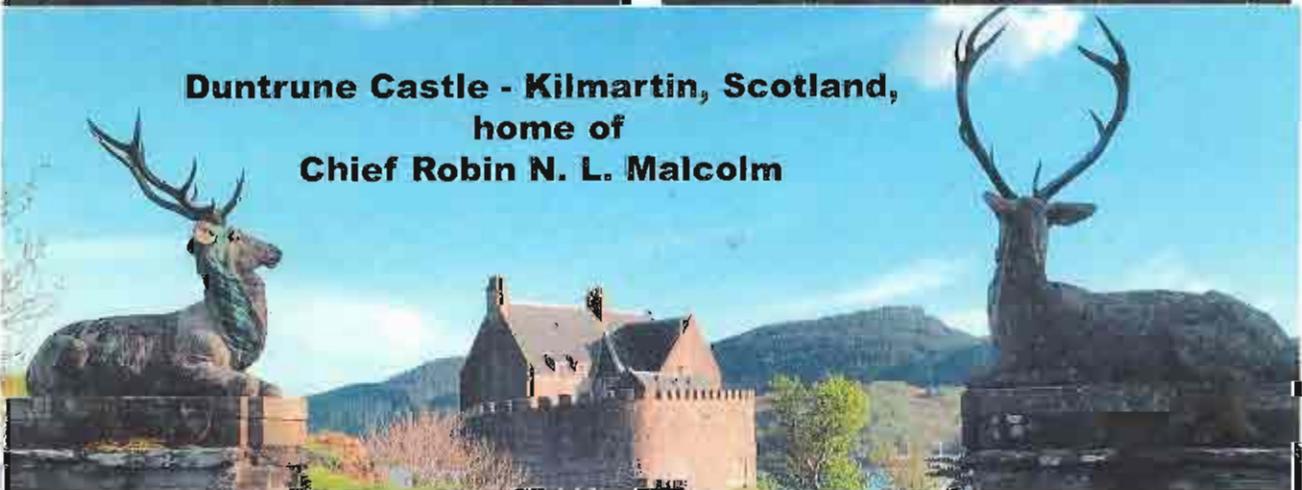
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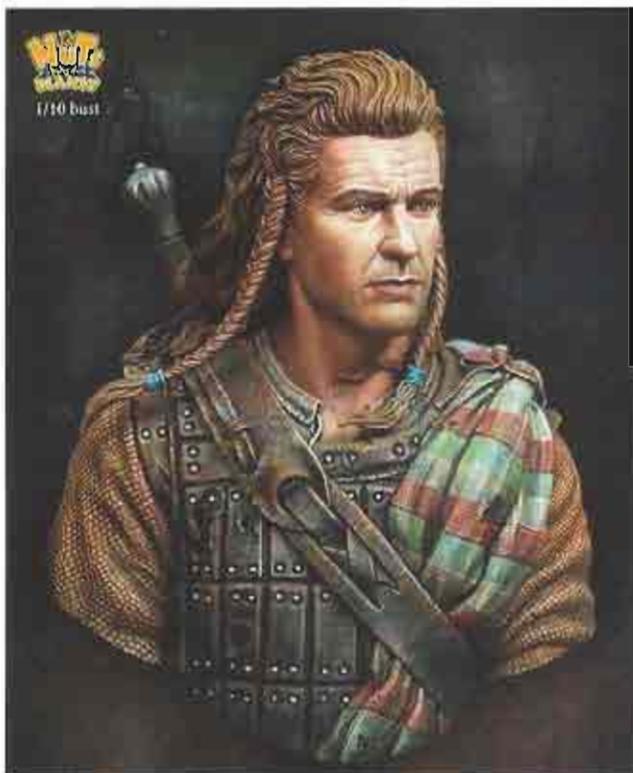
**Malcolm Tartan**



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home of  
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holds Wallace in high esteem.

“Wallace Wha Hae is an exciting way for everyone to join the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations. We’re extremely grateful for the support we’ve received which has helped to make this event possible.”

The 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary programme has been supported by *EventScotland*, part of *VisitScotland’s Events Directorate*. Paul Bush OBE, Director of Events at *VisitScotland* added: “EventScotland is delighted to be supporting Wallace Wha Hae, as part of the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations of The National Wallace Monument, one of Scotland’s most iconic and striking landmarks. Scotland is the perfect stage for cultural events, and this family-fun festival will appeal to all ages, while showcasing Scotland’s rich heritage and traditions.”

Tickets for *Wallace Wha Hae* start at just £10.50 for adults and £6.50 for children, family and concession tickets are also available. There is a bonus for the first 500 tickets sold, which will include complimentary admission to The National Wallace Monument on Saturday 14th September.

All tickets can be purchased from 10am on Friday 17th May via: <nationalwallacemonument.com/wallacewhahae>



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queen beds Friday and Saturday nights is \$120+tax per room per night. The rate before or after these nights is \$110+tax per room. Ask for the Clan Murray block. Make your reservations by 1 October 2019 to ensure group rate and availability

Make reservations by calling the hotel at 843-856-8817.

**AGM events:**

**Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> November** – Council Meeting at 1:00 pm followed immediately by the Commissioner’s Roundtable in the hotel hospitality suite (location TBA).

Clan Dinner at 6:00 pm at RB’s Seafood Restaurant, 97 Church St, Mount Pleasant; self-paying; go to [rbsonshemcreek.com](http://rbsonshemcreek.com) for restaurant details and menu choices.

**Saturday, 2<sup>nd</sup> November** – Breakfast with the President (time and location TBA).

Gates at the games open at 9:00 am; tickets are \$20 per person if ordered from the event website, \$30 if purchased at the gate.

AGM business meeting starts at 1:00 pm on the grounds of the games (location TBA).

AGM dinner will be next door to the hotel at the Harbor Breeze, 176 Patriot Point Road, Mount Pleasant.

Dinner activities include piping in the haggis (volunteers are needed to be haggis tray carrier, whisky-bearer, and swordsman), a presentation, and after-dinner entertainment.

For additional information contact Margaret Murray, AGM Coordinator, at: 2000 Cambridge Ave Apt 329, Wyomissing, PA 19610-2738; 610-763-0653; or [haysmurray@gmail.com](mailto:haysmurray@gmail.com).

**You're invited to the 64<sup>th</sup> Annual**  
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*Highland Games*  
**July 11-14, 2019**

**MacRae Meadows on Grandfather Mountain near Linville, NC**

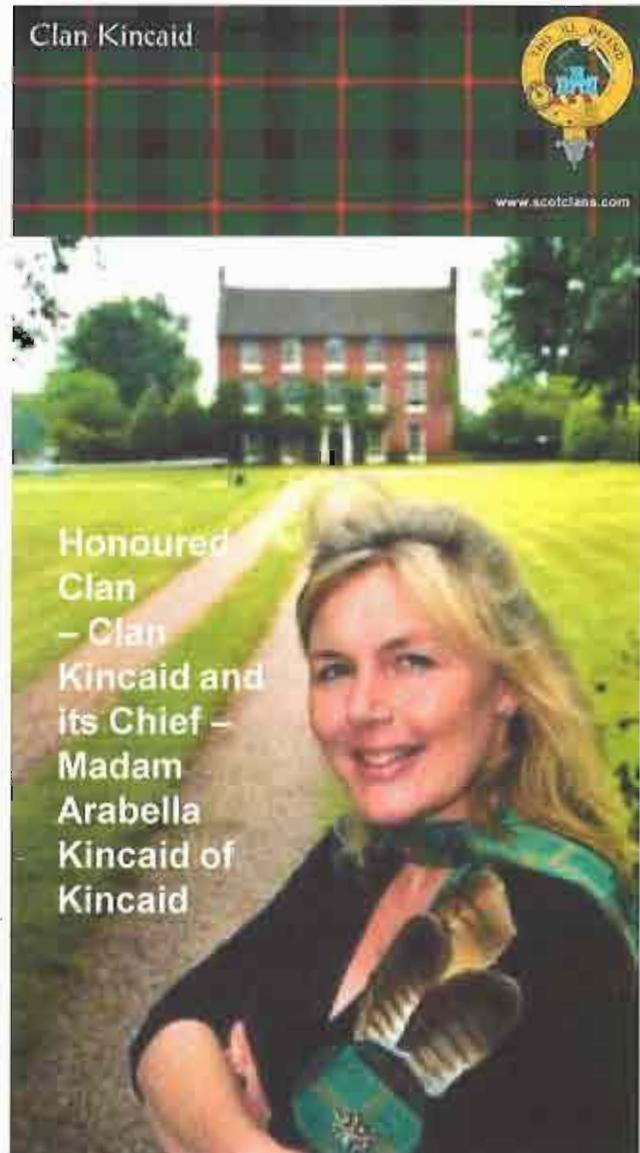
The Grandfather Mountain Highland Games is now accepting Camping Registration, Patron Donations and Ticket Orders for the 2019 Grandfather Mountain Highland Games.

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**Highland Wrestling**  
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Visit the URL at the right  
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**[http://www.gmhg.org/  
events.htm](http://www.gmhg.org/events.htm)**

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GMHG is a family- friendly event.*



# GMHG July 11 - 14, 2019

## Mari Black

Mari Black Website: [www.mariblack.com](http://www.mariblack.com)

Multistyle violinist and champion fiddler, Mari Black's, virtuosic fiddling, sparkling stage presence, and commitment to bringing people together through music have made her a favorite with audiences across the country and around the world. A master of diverse musical styles and winner of several major international competitions, Mari sweeps her audiences away on a spirited musical adventure featuring dance music from around the globe: Celtic, American, and Canadian fiddling, jazz, tango, klezmer, folk, original works, and more. She and her dynamic band will treat you to an unforgettable experience that will have you tapping your toes and dancing in the aisles!



## Brother Angus

As a founding member of the Celtic, Tribal band BROTHER, Angus toured the world, recording fifteen albums and a DVD along the way. You may have seen BROTHER on the hit TV series *ER*, or heard their music on the classic *Barak* soundtrack. An episode of UPN's *The Twilight Zone* was written around one of their songs. Often cited as a trailblazer of the indie scene, BROTHER was the only independent band to play the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame.

Visiting Scotland with the band every spring for the last six years on the wildly successful *BRONACH* tours, Angus discovered his Celtic heritage in a way he'd never imagined. Finding a fascinating connection between his own wanderings and the Celtic myths and histories, Angus has created a captivating show like no other.



## Chambless and Muse

Chambless and Muse Website: [www.jilchambless.com](http://www.jilchambless.com), [www.scootermuse.com](http://www.scootermuse.com)

For more than 25 years, Alabama natives Jil Chambless and Scooter Muse have been performing the music of Scotland, Ireland and early America with various ensembles in a wide variety of venues, from house concerts to festivals and concert halls. Jil and Scooter have been fortunate to work alongside many of the finest artists in Celtic music, resulting in many spontaneous collabo-

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rations.

As singer and flute and whistle player, Jil Chambless has performed across the US as well as in Canada, Scotland, and Israel with many artists and bands. In 2009, Jil released her first solo CD, *The Ladies Go Dancing*, produced by the legendary Brian McNeill. Jil brings to any audience a wonderful listening experience from haunting ballads to upbeat songs with a smooth delivery that never fails to bring both smiles and tears in each and every performance.

Scoter Muse has his roots in Bluegrass and is an award-winning 5-string banjo player, and in the late 1980s he moved into the world of Celtic guitar. Scooter's first solo recording of original guitar instrumentals, *Saddell Abbey*, was purchased by the Scottish Tourist Board in Kintyre.

In 2010, Jil and Scooter began performing as a duo, playing a variety of venues from small house concerts to major Celtic festivals. Since then they have released three CDs as a duo, *The Laverock Sang*, *Passing Tales & Glories* and *The Lang Awa' Ships*. They also released a CD with Scottish fiddler John Taylor, *Live @ NTIF*.

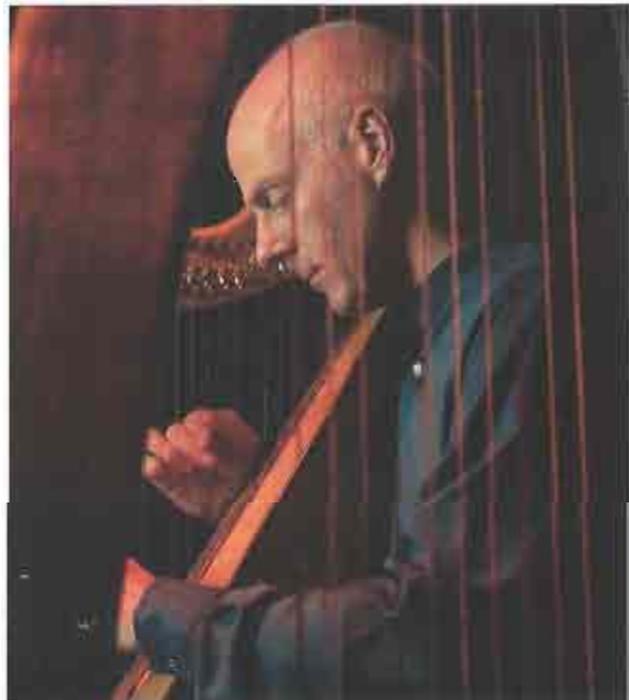


## William Jackson

William Jackson Website:  
[www.wjharp.com](http://www.wjharp.com)

William Jackson has been at the forefront of Scottish traditional music for nearly 30 years. In addition to his stature as one of the leading harpers and multi - instrumentalists in Scotland, William has gained an international reputation as a composer. His *Land of Light* won the international competition in 1999 as the new song for Scotland, announced on the eve of that Parliament convening for the first time in 300 years.

As a founding member of the band Ossian (1976 - 1989) he was part of the revival of traditional music in Scotland in the 70s and 80s, and became known as an innovative composer, using a mix of traditional and classical musicians in such acclaimed works as *The Wellpark Suite* (1985), *A Scottish Island* (1998)



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and *Duan Albanach* (2003). The band, whose music influenced a generation of musicians, extensively toured the U.S. and Europe. Besides harp, he also plays tinwhistle, bouzouki and piano.

## Andrew Finn Magill

Andrew Finn Magill Website:  
[www.andrewfinnmagill.com](http://www.andrewfinnmagill.com)

Andrew Finn Magill is a fiddler/violinist who straddles genres. He has toured the US, Europe, Africa, and Brazil and performed with many Irish and Scottish luminaries from John Doyle to the Paul McKenna Band. By age 16 he was a two - time finalist at the All - Ireland fiddle championships. In 2011 he co - produced an MTV - sponsored album with Afro - pop star Peter Mawanga *Mau a Malawi*. In 2016 he launched a two disc concept album, *Roots and Branches*, which charts Magill's progression through his musical roots: Irish music.



## Ed Miller

Ed Miller Website:  
[www.songsofscotland.com](http://www.songsofscotland.com)

Ed Miller has been hailed as "one of the finest singers to come out of the Scottish Folksong Revival" and as "one of Scotland's best singing exports." Originally from Edinburgh, he has for many years been based in Austin, Texas, where he gained graduate degrees in Folklore and Geography at the University of Texas. Ed's repertoire covers the whole spectrum of Scottish folk music, from old ballads and songs of Robert Burns to more recent songs that add to the huge store of Scots songs. When not on the road, Ed also hosts a long-running folk music show, "*Across the Pond*," on Sun Radio, and he has expanded his activities into taking folksong based tours to Scotland each year, and teaching at various folk music camps. He has recorded nine CDs of Scottish songs including the most recent collaborative CD masterwork *Come Awa' Wi' Me*.



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## Piper Jones Band

Piper Jones Band Website: [piperjonesband.com](http://piperjonesband.com)

The Piper Jones Band is a lyrical, high energy trio based on the moving and beautiful sounds of the Highland bagpipes, accompanied by unique percussive chords from the bouzouki and inspired drums. While maintaining a strong musical base in traditional tunes from Ireland, Scotland, and Appalachia, the group also performs original instrumental compositions and powerful vocal harmonies, as well as stepping off stage from time to time to lead the audience in traditional Celtic dances. The Piper Jones Band brings authentic, traditional music to your audience in a fresh, entertaining way.

EJ Jones first played at GMHG with Clandestine in 1998 and is a professionally ranked competitive piper in the EUSPBA. He has had a performing career spanning over two decades with the recent distinction of representing the USA at the 2014 MacCrimmon Trophy at Festival Interceltique Lorient.

Frances Cunningham, on bouzouki, is a Texas native who has enjoyed a long career performing nation-



wide, with a variety of musicians. Her first love is traditional Irish music and she was the winner of the Midwest Feadh in 2013 in both accompaniment and on the tenor banjo. She currently lives in Nashville, TN and has recently released her debut CD, *Alcinoe*.

Wolf Loescher plays percussion in bands ranging from symphonic to progressive rock to Celtic folk. He specializes in drum kit and hand percussion, and has performed and recorded with a variety of projects all across the country. He founded the band Jiggernaut and has been a key member of many great Celtic bands.

## Seven Nations

Seven Nations Website: [sevendations.com](http://sevendations.com)

Through its touring schedule and dynamic live performances, Seven Nations has become one of the fastest growing live acts nationwide. They have logged in more than one million touring miles trying to make the music universal for old and new fans alike. To the five member band, that means being on tour 85 percent of the year, melding guitar and vocal elements of American pop and rock with Highland bagpipes and fiddle. The result is a high-energy performance that has fans jumping out of their seats, and has sparked interest nationwide.

Lead singer/songwriter and founding member Kirk MacLeod attended bagpipe summer schools in these mountains from the age of 12 and won the first ever John McFadden award for "most promising piper."



Many years later he has led a band through almost a quarter of a million albums sold and some of the most brilliantly powerful and creative Celtic rock ever played. "We are lucky," says MacLeod, "because we come from two unique cultures. We love American pop and rock and roll, but we also love our Celtic roots. We want to touch everybody with our music."

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## Alasdair White

Alasdair White Facebook

Alasdair White is an exceptional exponent of West Coast Scottish music and is widely regarded as one of the foremost Scottish fiddler players of his generation.

He was born and brought up on the Isle of Lewis in the Outer Hebrides, a chain of islands of singular importance to Gaelic Scotland's musical heritage and is perhaps best known as having been a member of Scotland's seminal Battlefield Band for over 16 years, touring extensively in that time throughout North America, Europe, and Asia.

Now resident in New York, Alasdair has performed and recorded as a guest with many of the most well known names in Scottish, Irish and Breton traditional music including Kathleen MacInnis, Julie Fowlis, Eddie Reader, Allan MacDonald, Manus Lunny, Nuala Kennedy, and Arnaud Ciapolino. Current ongoing projects include Daimh, the Alan Kelly Gang and of course Battlefield Band. Alasdair also recently premiered a major commission at the Hebridean Celtic festival in Stornoway, an hour long original piece entitled *an luchair*.



Alasdair White

## Brothers McLeod

Brothers McLeod Website:  
[mcleodpipers.com](http://mcleodpipers.com)

David and Michael McLeod are EUSPBA Grade I solo competition bagpipers from Upstate SC, and are members of the Atlanta Pipe Band. They are students of Jimmy McIntosh and have performed with John Doyle, Jamie Laval, EJ Jones, and John Maschino. They jointly won the 2014 Goblin Cup and are full of great music.

## Marybeth McQueen

Marybeth McQueen

Marybeth McQueen grew up in an environment filled with Scottish music, the closest source being her father Gregory McQueen, fiddle player for Clandestine. She began learning the Highland pipes at age 8, and has been attending the North American Academy of Piping and Drumming for many years. In 2014 she placed 2nd in the US Scottish Fiddle championship and in 2015 won "Best March" in the open level. Marybeth is currently a student at UNCW and is an expert at mixing traditional music with modern techniques in an upbeat and creative style.

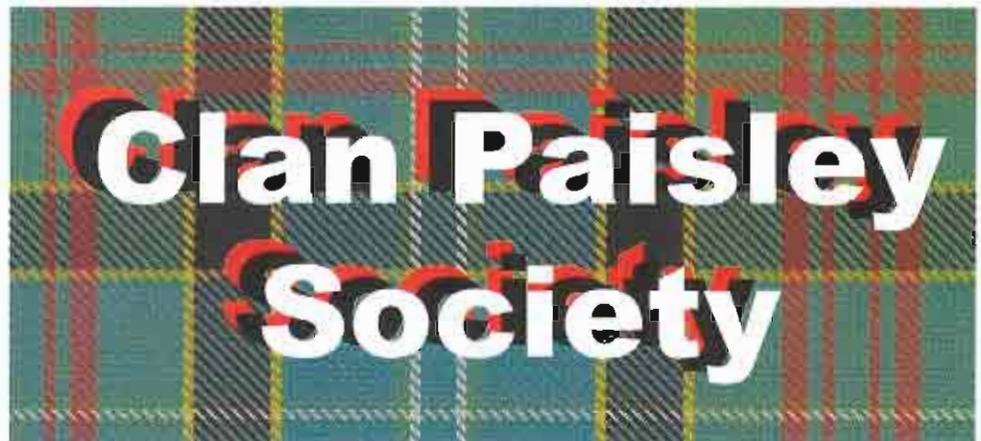


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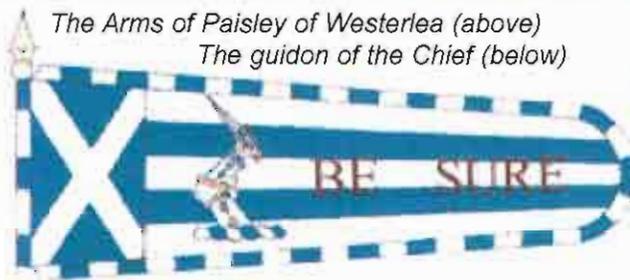


All Paisleys of the name or blood (and all spellings) are invited to join. Email: <mbrown2205@aol.com>

Paisley Family Society USA Branch, FaceBook account can be found at <https://www.facebook.com/Paisley-Family-Society-USA-branch-195070730565352/>



*The Arms of Paisley of Westerlea (above)  
The guidon of the Chief (below)*

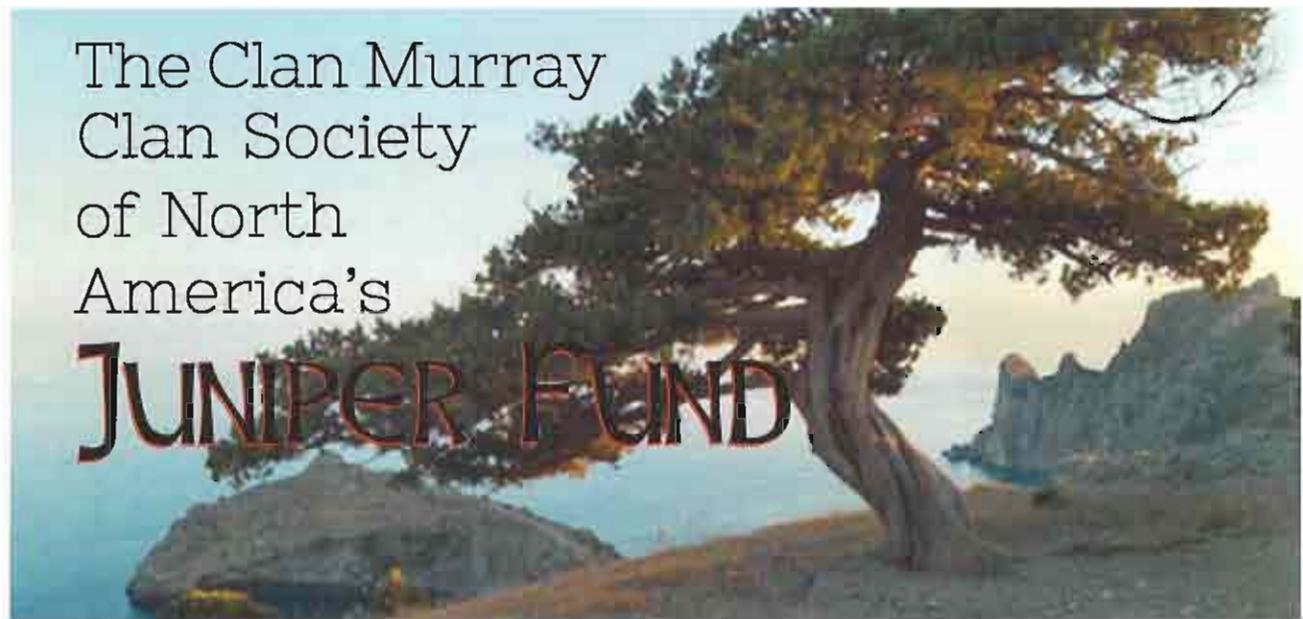



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For the Paisley DNA Project, visit <dlangsto@yahoo.com>

Check out the **Clan Paisley Society** webpage at <[www.paisleyfamilysociety.org.uk](http://www.paisleyfamilysociety.org.uk)> to see what's happening with us this year. Contact **Martha Brown** at <mbrown2205@aol.com>.



In 2010 the Murray Clan Society of North America established the Juniper Fund in an effort to educate, promote, and preserve the heritage and traditions of both Scotland and our clan.

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# JOIN US IN ABOYNE TO CELEBRATE 950 YEARS OF LESLIE HISTORY JULY 30-AUGUST 2, 2020!

We are looking forward to the 2020 Clan Leslie Society International Gathering in Aboyne, Scotland. If you would like more information, please contact Brian Lesslie at: <bless993@blueyonder.co.uk>.

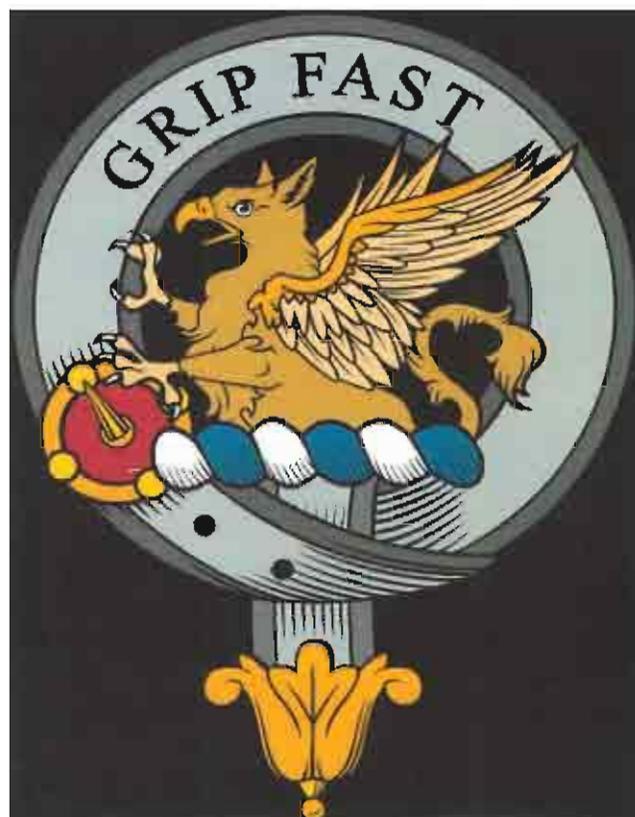
The dates for the gathering are July 30 -31 and August 1 - 2, 2020. The event will be held in Aberdeenshire, the home of the Leslie's...at Aboyne.

On Thursday, July 30, there will be registration and a Meet and Greet. Registration will be open from 14.00 hours. At 19.00hours there will be an Illustrated talk by David on the restoration of the Leslie Castle.

On Friday, 31 July, there will be - from 10.00 until 17.00, a trip around the area to visit the Leslie Castle and other Leslie associated Castles and Houses. A Midday pack lunch will be provided.

On Saturday, 1 August, the group will visit the Aboyne Highland Games and then have a Clan Leslie dinner at the hotel.

Sunday, 2 August will see the group visit the Chapel of Barioch for the Battle of Harlaw 609<sup>th</sup>



Remembrance Service. Tea and coffee and cake will be served.

The afternoon is free.

That evening there will be an Illustrated talk by David on the Battle of Harlaw. This will be followed by farewells.

The hotel dining room is normally closed on Thursday evenings, but a number of restaurants are available in the area of the hotel.

Please email [bless993@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:bless993@blueyonder.co.uk) for information and questions.



## Officers for Clan Anderson

Clan Anderson Society elected a new slate of officers and board members at its Annual General Meeting (AGM) on Saturday, Oct. 20 at the Stone Mountain Highland Games in Stone Mountain, GA. These individuals serve a two-year term so the next AGM will be held in 2020.

Clan Anderson Society Officers 2018-2020: President – H. Wesley Weaver, NC; Vice-President – Nancy Anderson, NC; Treasurer – James “Jim” Anderson, GA; Secretary – Donna Graves, TX.

Board of Directors: Kenneth Anderson, Karen Anderson Harper, Ted Anderson, Ross Anderson, Scott Anderson, David Anderson (past President) and Ryan Freeman

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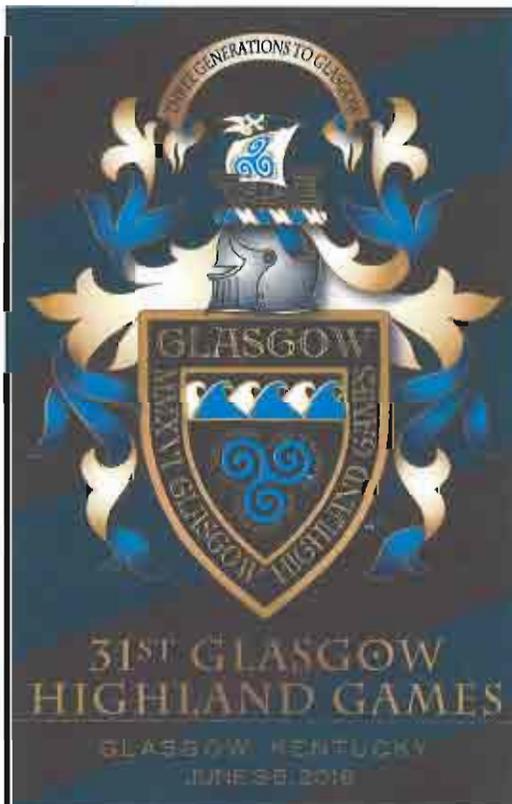
TOM FREEMAN IS A HERALDIC ARTIST & GRAPHIC DESIGNER LIVING IN NORTHEAST GEORGIA. HE HAS BEEN WORKING IN THE SCOTTISH COMMUNITY BOTH IN THE US & INTERNATIONALLY SINCE 1999.



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# Interesting Scottish Facts we bet you don't know



#1. Scotland has many untouched and pristine islands. Built even before the Stonehenge or the Pyramids, Skara Brae, in the Orkney islands is known as "Scottish Pompeii", for its extraordinary preservation of a medieval entire city.

#2. The other jewel from the medieval world is the Knap of Howar, which is oldest preserved stone house in northern Europe.

#3. The Bank of Scotland, set up in 1695, is one of the three oldest banks in Britain. The other two are the

Barclays and The Bank of England.

#4. Aberdeen Harbour Board, founded in 1136, is Britain's oldest running business. Nestled in Scotland's western shore, it has seen all major world events pass by, in its 900-year history.

#5. *The Encyclopedia Britannica*, which is the *Wikipedia* of the past, originated in Scotland. It was the idea of an Edinburgh bookseller, Colin Macfarquhar.

#6. Edinburgh was the most modern city in the world in its hey-days. It's credited with having the world's first fire-brigade, way back in 1824.

#7. Interestingly, 1824 was also the year of The Great Fire of Edinburgh, a fire accident which went on for five days and burned the city to ashes.

#8. Scotland was an independent country up till the 15<sup>th</sup> century. The country merged to form the Great Britain when the King of Scotland was given the throne of England in 1603.

## Clan Anderson officers, continued from page 23

Membership chair – Ryan Freeman; Games chair – Beth Anderson; Newsletter – Donna Graves.

Webmaster – Diana W. DeBrohun.

In other business, the treasurer reported that overall memberships for Clan Anderson Society had increased, including life memberships. (Learn more about the benefits of joining the Clan.) The outgoing secretary, Michelle Roberts, was recognized for her efforts to keep members current with their dues.



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*Celtic Seasons* tells us all about that "Orange and Sticky and Yummy Stuff called...

# Dundee Orange Marmalade!

Dundee, Scotland is celebrated in many books and journals as being the place "where marmalade was invented."

Janet Keiller, the wife of a retired merchant, is alleged to have created the popular breakfast preserve in her shop, inadvertently laying the foundations for a successful family dynasty.

However, conflicting accounts of the rise of the Keiller's surfaced in recent years, so, this is an alternative story of the Keiller family and possibly one that will modify the popular myth.

The Keiller operation grew from humble beginnings and the truth behind how the family actually started making their famous produce has been somewhat romanticized over the years. Popular folklore decrees that John Keiller, a retired merchant, was one day walking through the harbor area in Dundee and came across a Spanish ship which had arrived in the port to seek shelter from a storm. From this ship he is said to have bought a quantity of Seville oranges and to have taken them home to his wife who used the unfamiliar ingredients to make an orange preserve - but somewhere in the process something went amiss and she ended up with what we know today as "Dundee Marmalade."

It is generally accepted that the Keillers went from the discovery of marmalade to a factory operation in a remarkably short time; such was the desire and profitability of this new, exotic - but still familiar - product. Recent research has unearthed the more humble beginnings and arduous rise to profitability of the Keillers - and also discovered a story beset by jealousy and commercial

fratricide.

In his book, *The Keiller Dynasty 1800-1879*, academic WM Matthew dispels the romantics' theory and charts how the Keillers rose from a small sweet shop in the Seagate area of Dundee to exporting their product to places as far afield as Shanghai and Sydney.

Janet Keiller specialized in selling jam and pot "boilings," with fruit picked from local farms - namely the berry fields of Blairgowrie and the Carse of Gowrie, a 26-mile stretch of rich farmland that separates Dundee from the City of Perth.

The notion that Keiller invented marmalade from scratch is rather suspect, especially as recipes for similar "pots" have been traced back to the 1500s. What is more probable that she, an experienced maker of sweets and jam, used her existing knowledge and new

raw materials to put her own particular twist on an existing recipe and came up with the "orange chip" marmalade we know (and love) today.

Janet Keiller eventually handed over the shop to her son, James Keiller. He still relied heavily on his mother's expertise. James married a local girl named Barbara Robertson who died in 1817. He remarried within a year, this time to a Margaret Spence, who would have a major impact on the family business.

Margaret Keiller would take control, along with her eldest son, Alex, upon her husband's death in 1839 until her own demise in 1850. By that



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time, the Keiller brand had started growing. In 1845, under the leadership of Alex Keiller, the firm moved from the Seagate, their premises for over 40 years, to Castle Street, where they occupied two buildings - a shop and a factory. This is the first major sign that the enterprise was growing at a decent rate.

Alex was an extremely hard-nosed businessman and in an attempt to maximize profits and take advantage of the favorable tax conditions, he authorized the purchase of a small property in Guernsey, Channel Islands, which capitalized on the lack of sugar duties. While this location was managed by his brother, William, it accounted for one third of the Keiller's net output, although the Guernsey stock always carried the Dundee logo.

Alex Keiller fitted the stereotype of a business tycoon, although to call him a tycoon possibly overstates his importance in the City of Dundee. In a city built around the jute and flax spinning industry, a sector that employed thousands, the Keiller's small business with 300 employees was, by comparison, fairly insignificant.

The Keillers did much for putting the City of Dundee on the national and international map, but within the city itself they were not recognized as the global brand that they were.

Alex's paranoia about rival businesses and his brother's performance in the Channel Islands would undermine their own relationship and provide a sad end to what should be a success story.

William, the appointed proprietor of the Channel Islands operation, was Alex's younger sibling and lacked the business acumen of his older brother.

Alex, often dismayed with the lack of profitability recorded in Guernsey, constantly reprimanded his brother for, on occasions, the poor quality of produce, slipups in packing which re-

sulted in destroyed goods and, his biggest source of fear, the comparative lack of profitability when placed alongside his own Dundee-based operation. The Guernsey operation, with all its foibles, lasted until 1979 before being transferred to North Woolwich and brought back under the control of the Dundee plant.

The Keiller name continued to grow and attracted outside investment well into the 20th century. They built on their humble beginnings and traded off the notion - which still exists to this day - that Janet Keiller invented marmalade.

She may not have invented it, but her version of it is one of the best tasting around!



With many thanks to *Celtic Seasons - from the Streams of Celtic Consciousness* - Rich and Rita Shadeer's wonderful publication that is available to everyone for a donation of any size. Write (checks to Rich Shader) 173 Greystone Drive, Hendersonville, NC 28792.

### **...and here's yet another story concerning the beginnings of delicious marmalade...**

There is a myth that Mary Queen of Scots introduced marmalade to Scotland, but I think this is down to the infamous pun derived from marrying her name to marmelada. Mary was seasick on the journey from France to Scotland, and is supposed to have asked for "marmelade pour Marie est malade" (quince marmalade was thought to be good for settling stomachs). It is possible that Mary helped popularise French food tastes within Scotland, and that a consignment of marmelada travelled with her from France, but, it was already known in Scotland before her arrival.



# Scottish-American Military Society

*Gen. Elijah Clarke Post #60*

## Meetings for 2019



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~~9 Jan 2019 Harp Irish Pub,  
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~~10 Apr 2019 Harp Irish Pub,  
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10 Jul 2019 Harp Irish Pub,  
Roswell, Ga - 6:00 pm

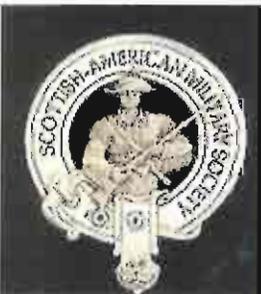
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## Scottish-American Military Society

If you would like information on joining the Scottish American Military Society, please contact:

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## McQueen Distillery, *continued from page 1*

proves that it is possible with the right idea, product and people to go from a small start-up business to exporting around the world in a relatively short period of time – and that being rural-based provides no barrier to international success.

“I am pleased that Scottish Enterprise has been able to help the company’s ambition by providing support and expertise in their growth. We want to be ambitious for Scotland and encourage private sector investment in a range of key markets, including food and drink.

“The formal opening of the new distillery is an opportunity to recognise the vision of the co-owners and the hard-work and dedication of the staff, and I look forward to seeing greater success as McQueen expands into markets around the world.”

We’ve had a wonderful recent few years and invested a lot of time, effort, blood, sweat and tears into developing the new facility, which will see our overall manufacture, bottling, packing and shipping capacity increase by greater than 1,000% (great news for all you gin lovers out there!) Speaking prior to the launch event, our very own co-founder Dale McQueen acknowledged the part played by the working relationship between ourselves and Aldi in the acceleration of the new facility’s build. Speaking about the launch, Dale said:

“The McQueen Gin growth strategy has been strongly supported by the Scottish Government through Scottish Enterprise (SE) and we are thrilled and honoured to be officially opened today by the First Minister of Scotland.

“Our strong working relationship with Aldi,

both here in Scotland and UK-wide has been instrumental to our growth in the past 12 months. The ongoing regular business secured through that relationship has allowed us to bring forward expansion plans to this year, which equips us with the facilities needed to meet rapidly growing demand domestically and internationally.”

It was wonderful to have some of our friends from Aldi along to the event too, and speaking about the launch and our relationship with Aldi, Group Buying Director for Aldi Scotland Graham Nicolson said:

“We’re very proud of the strong partnership we’ve built with McQueen Gin and the innovative products that have been delivered to market as a result. Aldi has been working with McQueen since November 2017 when they featured in our first ever gin festival, and since then the relationship has gone from strength to strength. Last summer we commisioned



*You can see Ben Ledi from this picture. It looks kind of like Mount Fuji but smaller. This is the site of the future Distillery Visitor Centre. The dogs are the Buchanan family dogs, Daisy and Poppy.*

McQueen’s Forest Fruits Colour-changing Gin, which flew off our shelves. It was such a hit with consumers in Scotland that later in the year we extended the contract and now the colour-changing gin is available in Aldi stores across the UK.

“At Aldi, we’re proud to champion local suppliers and it is fantastic to see McQueen’s distillery expand thanks to the strong partnership we have built. I wish McQueen Gin all the best for the future, and I’m looking forward to working together on the next big innovation in the gin market.”

We also had representatives from Visit Scot-

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# We're staying in Scotland!

The good news is: our visas have been renewed, so we have another 3 years of living in Scotland!!!!!!

The kids all came over for the Christmas holidays. So we felt that we had to give them a unique Scottish experience. Like visiting (and hand feeding) a herd of reindeer on a Cairngorm mountaintop on the afternoon of Christmas Eve.



Here are Amanda and Rich, and finally Vicky.



Here is Vicky with her new friend, then Aeron with one sneaking up behind her, Amanda using a handful of food to make friends, and Wendy enjoying it all. By the way, full-grown reindeer are much smaller than we all imagined. They barely come up to your waist. Amazing that the wee beasties can pull that big heavy sleigh all over the world on Christmas Eve.



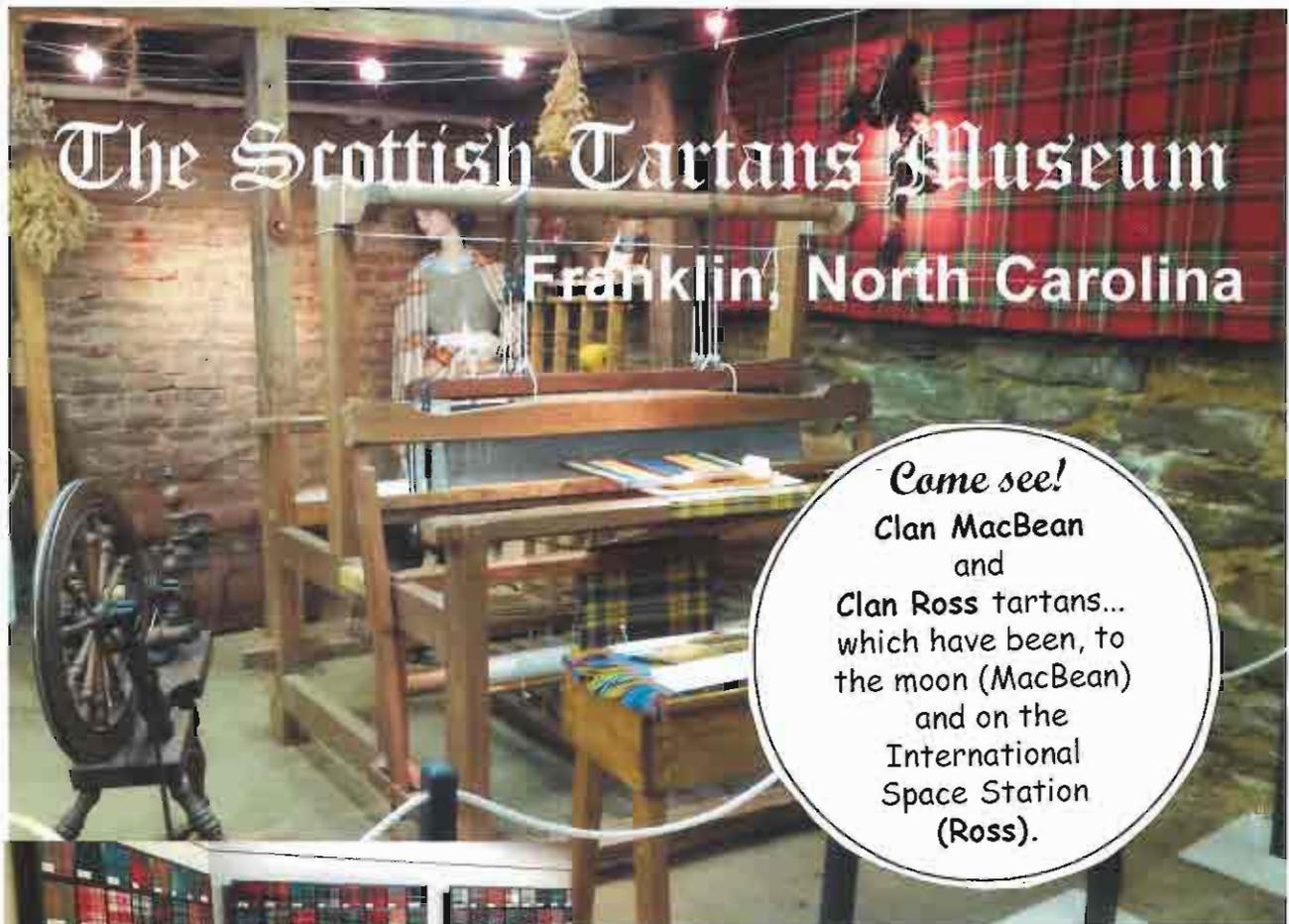
The large bird is a Harris Hawk named Mr. Bojangles and the smaller one is a Boobook Owl named Bandit. We also visited Elgin Cathedral, which despite being a ruin, has some remarkably intricate surviving stone carving.



But wait, there's more. After Christmas we went for a day of falconry and all the kids had a go at flying a bird of prey. Here are Aeron and Tim.



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The Scottish Tartans Museum & Heritage Center 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 customers with a bit of history and what tartan their family should wear.

We offer our gift shop online and brick and mortar. Here you can order custom made kilts, ladies kilted skirts, sashes, scarves, neckties, fabric by the swatch or by the yard, kilt hose and all quality accessories to accent your highland wear.

Admission is \$2.00 per adult and \$1.00 for Children 6-12.

We are open Monday through Saturday 10-5 pm (Winter hours are 11 AM until 4 PM) ) It is always a good idea to call first if you are planning a trip to our quaint wee mountain town because we might have snow and ice.

Visit our website and learn some history as well

[www.scottishtartans.org](http://www.scottishtartans.org)





That is Scotland's patron saint, St. Andrew, in the center carving below.



We also visited Amanda's personal castle.



And we stopped at a truly brilliant Thomas Telford bridge at Craigellachie. It is the oldest surviving of Telford's pre-fabricated lattice cast iron bridges. Telford's bridges, churches and canals are all over Scotland and are remarkable works of engineering and artistry for their time.



We also saw Caithness' own Christmas seals. They come ashore on our beaches to give birth every November, so at Christmas, we have quite a collection of them each year.



We did not get the extreme cold and snow that Indiana got, but we still had our share. But ours falls more as sleet, rather than snow. And it can build up on even the clothes line wires as seen in this next photo. Our Snowdrops bloomed this year – one of the joys of Scotland in winter.



Dr. Pete Hylton, Ed.D.  
Senior Fellow of the Higher Education Academy  
Fellow of the Institution of Engineering and Technology  
Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland  
Fulbright Scholar

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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., to reflect our society's expanded purpose and membership.





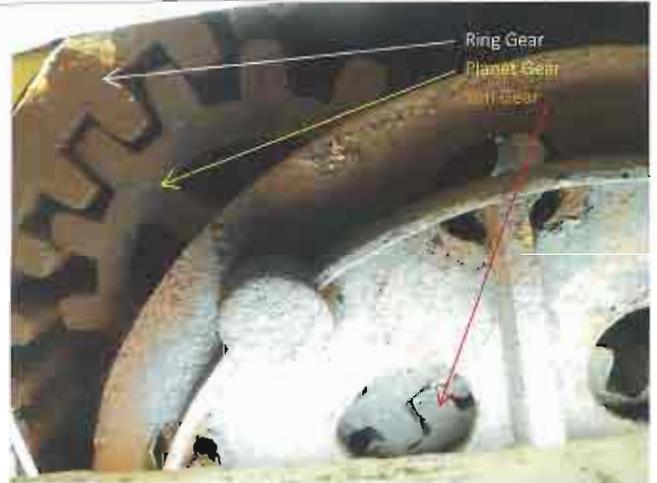
The ship was one of the first built using steel brackets and braces to strengthen the wooden timbers of the hull, as the black metal members show here.



As an engineer, I was impressed by how the huge anchors were raised. The method of that era was to have a capstan on each deck, like the ones shown here on the main deck and gun deck. Sailors would stick short beams into those holes and push against them to turn the capstan and in turn draw in the anchor chain. Unicorn was one of the first ships to use a gear system to gain mechanical advantage, so as to require less men to push on the capstan.



Here the internal workings of the epicyclic (planetary) gearbox can be seen. Being geeky engineers, Wendy and I got overly excited trying to get into the gearbox for a closer look



As if Unicorn did not have enough other interesting claims to fame, in World War 2 it was anchored along the wharf in Dundee and used as a naval office headquarters. In the final year of the war, a German submarine, U2326, sailed into Dundee harbor under a white flag and the crew surrendered to the officers aboard the Unicorn. Thus, a sailing frigate from 1824 accepted the surrender of a WW2 submarine in 1939, 115 years after it launched.

Meanwhile, closer to home, there has been an extensive project for the past year to upgrade the John O'Groats trail along our coast. This spring the trail ranger led several day hikes along the trail, and I went on most of them. Here are some of the highlights.

A two century old hilltop signal tower in which a huge bonfire would have been built to warn ships away from the rocks. And some waterfalls.



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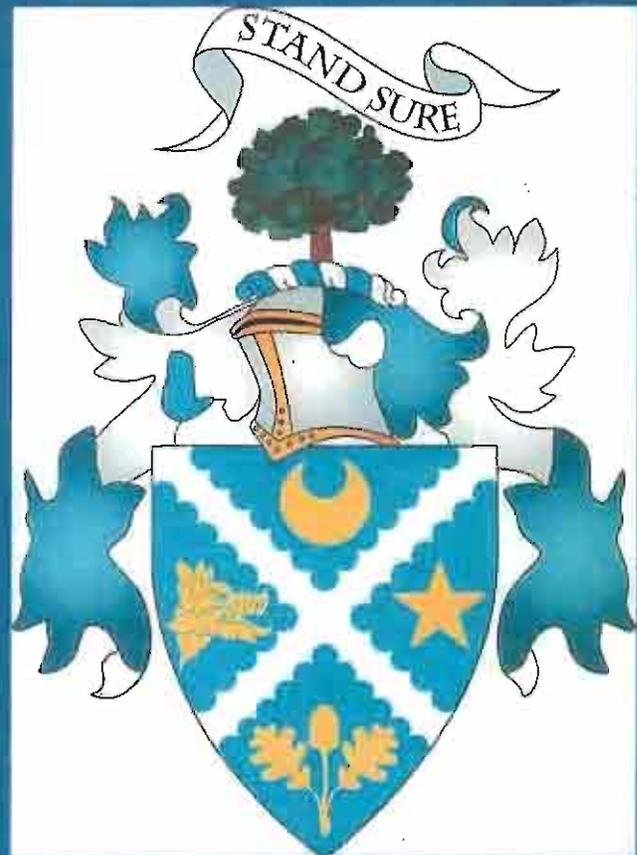
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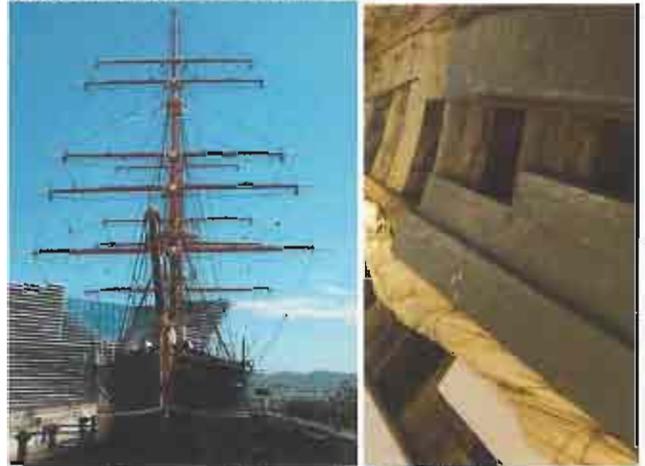
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We went to Dundee for the first time, visiting three historic attractions there. First was the Verdant Jute Mill. Dundee once had over 120 jute mills, processing jute from India and spinning it into thread used to make everything from burlap for bags to rope for sailing ships. The mill was originally powered by a huge Boulton-Watt steam engine, shown in the photo here, followed by photos of the James Watt designed centrifugal speed governor and then one of the many jute mill machines, all of which were powered off of a system of pulleys and belts driven from a long shaft which ran through the rafters from the steam engine for the entire length of the building. This process was similar to the bobbin mill that I visited in Cumbria a couple of years ago, also driven from a steam engine driving a similar long shaft with associated pulleys, belts and machines. I acquired a bobbin that I watched made on that day, and this trip I acquired a handful of processed jute fiber. I plan to spin it using one of Wendy's yarn tools, and then wind it on my bobbin, just like the mills would have done.



We also visited two historic sailing ships, both built in Dundee. The first was HMS Discovery, the ship

that Robert Scott used in his famous Antarctic Scientific Expedition. The ship was locked in the Antarctic ice floes for two years. It is amazing to study how the crew lived and worked aboard this ship for all that time, gathering incredible amounts of scientific information. It is equally amazing to consider that the hull of the ship was able to take the pressures of being trapped in the ice that long. The huge timbers used to construct the double-hull are huge, as shown here.



The second ship was the HMS Unicorn, a sailing frigate commissioned for use in the Napoleonic Wars, and launched in 1824. It is the 5<sup>th</sup> oldest ship still afloat in the entire world. By the time Unicorn launched, Napoleon had been defeated, and therefore the ship was never used in battle. In fact, the masts were never installed and a roof was built over the main deck, making it one of the oddest looking ships ever.



Although armed with 28 eighteen pound long guns on the gun deck and 14 thirty-two pound cannonades on the upperdeck, she never went into battle. In fact she never sailed. But she did float, and was used as an ordinance ship, holding stores like a floating warehouse.

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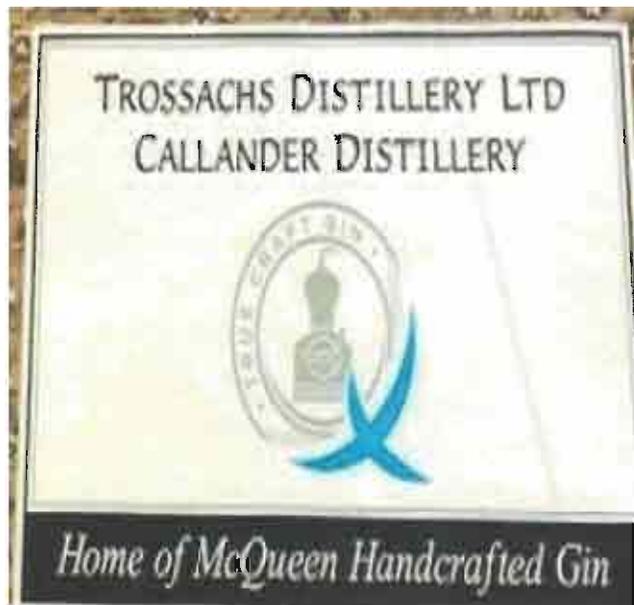
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land along at Monday's event where Neil Christison, Regional Director for Visit Scotland commented:

"It is incredibly exciting to welcome the McQueen Gin Distillery to the visitor experience in Callander.

"The opening of this new attraction in such a stunning location will certainly boost the wider region's tourism offering. It is important that we continue to encourage new investment in tourism businesses such as distilleries which benefit from visitors' love of Scottish gin, as well as the surrounding towns and villages, with the creation of new jobs and increasing visitor spending.

"This ripple effect means that tourism is more than a holiday experience, it is the heartbeat of the Scottish economy and touches every community."



Whilst we allow ourselves to get excited about this great day and have a drink or two to celebrate, we're also continuing to work on more new and exciting opportunities for our brand! The launch of the new facility and its increased capacity means that we can be ambitious in our growth plans as we look to bring our adventurous spirits to a wider audience. Distillery visits are now also open to the public and all tour details can be found online at: [www.mcqueengin.co.uk](http://www.mcqueengin.co.uk).



The Lady Buchanan wrote in an email about the Trossachs Distillery, Ltd., and how it began on the Cambusmore Estate.

She wrote: It all started when Dale (McQueen) came to Mike (The Buchanan) in 2015 and asked Mike whether he had any buildings for a gin distillery? I remember this as Mike came back that evening and mentioned this to me. I recall us both thinking it was a marvellous idea and despite many other small new gin distilleries recently starting up due to a recent change in the law allowing new companies to start smaller scale gin distilleries, we were very keen to go forwards and support Dale and Vicky with their exciting new proposed business.

Dale and Vicky eventually decided on an old farm steading building at Drumbane farm, which despite being relatively small, had the most amazing views of the countryside and the mountains particularly Ben Ledi, a beautiful mountain in the Loch Lomond and Trossachs National park.

After this was agreed, Mike arranged for it to be renovated. Dale then installed a small still, called "wee Maggie" and he and his wife, Vicky, (a retired chef) went on to wave their magic and start creating amazing new flavoured gins with flavours which were as imaginative as they were unique, such as spiced chocolate orange gin and smoky chilli gin. They rapidly created other innovative recipes and flavours and soon the national awards started to roll in.

You may read more about The Buchanan and The Lady Buchanan in the July 2019 *Buchanan Banner*. Just visit <https://electricScotland.com/familytree/newsletters/buchanan>

# Clan Bell to hold a Family Convention in Gretna, Scotland June 14 - 16, 2019

The Bell family has had no chief or leader since at least the early 17<sup>th</sup> century and it is not known if anyone can now prove that they are the most senior member of a known Bell family from that time.

In the absence of such a person, it would benefit Bells if they had a commander who would lead the clan for the next ten or twenty years whilst a suitable person to be chief is identified or a descendant of the principal family of the name is able to gather proof of their descent and be in a position to seek to petition the Lord Lyon King of Arms for recognition.

The manner in which such a person is identified is by family convention that must show support from a wide geographical area and from those who are members of Bell societies and those who are not. Members of the Bell family will gather at Gretna, Scotland this June 14 - 16. It is hoped, a suitable person will be identified who will take on the role of commander.

Under the guidance of Mrs Elizabeth Roads, Snawdoun Herald of Arms, who has been appointed by the Lord Lyon King of Arms to oversee the family convention, we now seek applications from those who might wish to lead the clan for the next decade.

If you would like more information on the family convention or on how your name might be considered for the position of commander contact:

Robert Bell at 3228 Oak Leaf Place, Highlands Ranch, Colorado, 80129, USA or [clanbellcolorado@aol.com](mailto:clanbellcolorado@aol.com)



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