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One of the things I enjoy most about traveling around the country is the people I meet. I grew up as a Military brat before the time of the internet and email. Friends were temporary and short lived, soon to be replaced by new friends in new places. With the advent of the internet, I have been able to stay in touch with many of the people I have met along this journey of life and relish the time I get to spend talking and sharing with them. Marcia and I continue to be amazed at how many people we meet in our travels and we cannot tell when the last game we did where we did not know somebody there; no matter how far away from home it was.

I recently stopped in Ohio and met up with our newsletter editor, Todd Wallace, his lovely wife Connie, their son CJ, and their precocious grandson Sirion. We spent about four hours talking about all kinds of things including the many exiting stories he has in the works that he will be sharing in future editions of this newsletter. As you can see from this, and previous editions, you never know what he will come up with next. He has three in this edition alone. Look for more soon. We may have to start a new section of the website to house them all.

I met Todd (and family) in discussions about the "Splash of Tartan at the Tattoo" last year in Edinburgh. His daughter Kaitlin, was the group photographer for the Clan Wallace contingent. Unfortunately, her camera was stolen when she returned to the states and her pictures lost. Fortunately, she was standing right next to the official photographer, and he has agreed to share his pictures with us. Look for a special edition of the newsletter covering that event soon.

Another person I stopped to meet with was Dorothy Night, our Canadian Advisor to the Board of Directors. We had a lovely visit at her home before the Fergus games in Ontario. It is with great sadness that I report that she has reached the point in her life where she cannot be as involved in Clan Wallace as she has been in the past, and has officially resigned her position. I want to personally thank her from the bottom of my heart for her friendship, and her service to the board all of these years.

Our recent request for nominations for board members included only two nominations for three open positions. This means there will be no election again this year. If you are interested in serving on the Board or as our Canadian advisor, please let me know so we can have a complete board next year.

Our annual director's meeting will be in Moab Utah Friday November the 2nd, before the games there on the 3rd and 4th. Because some board members will not be able to attend, we have some rooms reserved at a discount, so if you want to attend the games in this very beautiful part of the country. See page 15 for more information.

Lastly, I want to give a big shout-out to our conveners. These are the folks that present the face of Clan Wallace to those folks attending games all across the U.S. and Canada. Without your presence, there would be no Society. In the last several months, I have received requests from folks that want to convene games and there is nothing more rewarding than helping them get started. If you want assistance with convening a game, reach out to one of our two directors of Convener affairs listed on the left panel on page 2. I know that over the last couple of years I have stepped on the toes of a few folks when I requested to convene a game that I did not know we had a presence at already, for that I am truly sorry. For those out there convening games, please keep us updated so we can let folks know where there will be a Clan Wallace presence. Your presence at games keeps us strong.

Russ

"WALLACE" MASCOT OF THE CANADIAN SCOTTISH REGIMENT

Wallace K57000

1939-1950

Named after Alexander Wallace, Pipe Major of the 1st Battalion The Canadian Scottish Regiment from 1930 – 1939, the St. Bernard was one year old when he joined the 1st Battalion at Macaulay Point in 1939. He moved to Debert, Nova Scotia with the Battalion.

When the call came to go overseas, instead of leaving him in Canada, Wallace was chloroformed and smuggled aboard the troop ship *Stratheden*. A search was conducted as the result of a leak of information about his presence on board. Although eleven other dogs were discovered, Wallace eluded detection.

Wallace was discovered on going ashore and was quarantined for six months on arrival in Scotland. After quarantine he stayed with the Battalion until 1944. From 'D' Day (June 6, 1944) he was looked after by The Royal Scots at their Regimental Depot in Glencorse, with a watchful eye on his welfare from the Colonel-in-Chief, until 1945 when he rejoined the Battalion. Wallace returned home in January of 1946, leading the parade from the Canadian Pacific Railway dock to the Bay Street Armoury.

He was housed at Government House for a time but kept running away, until finally staying with Piper "Wee Andy" McGeorge, who had been his minder in England.

After his death, Wallace was cremated in November of 1950 and his ashes were placed in keeping of the Officers' Mess, as was an oil painting of him presented to the Battalion by Her Royal Highness, Princess Mary.



Wallace I



Wee Andy McGeorge and Wallace



The Stratheden



Parade From Canadian Pacific Railway Dock



Painting Presented By Princess Mary

Wallace II

23 May 1969 – 1 October 1971

Wallace II was officially presented to the Regiment by Warrant Officer E. Cunningham, Royal Canadian Army Service Corps, on the 17th of May in 1969. He made his first appearance with the Pipes and Drums in the Victoria Day Parade on the 23rd of May of that year. He was placed in the care of Regimental Sergeant Major P. Barber, who became noted for transporting him around in "The Wallace Wagon," a 1959 Austin with the back seat removed.

Wallace II attended evening and Saturday morning training regularly and appeared with the Pipes and Drums from Victoria to Seattle with handlers Sergeant W. Musgrave and Sergeant J. Peeters. He was presented the No.1 Dog Tag of the City of Victoria by Mayor H. Stephen. Wallace II suffered from acute hip dysplasia and was put down on the 1st of October 1971, and, with the permission of Honorary Colonel J. Nicholson, Lieutenant Governor of B.C., buried on the grounds of Government House, where a cairn was erected in his memory.



Baby Wallace II

Wallace III

13 January 1972 – 23 February 1982

Two months later on a wintery Sunday evening in December, Lieutenant Colonel M. Heppell, Commanding Officer of the Regiment, received a telephone call from a woman living at Departure Bay, Nanaimo. She stated she and her family were moving away the next day and were looking for a home for their large dog which they were unable to take with them. She said the large dog was only 18 months old, very friendly, had never been in the house and looked very much like a St. Bernard.

His curiosity sparked and anxious to find a replacement mascot, the Commanding Officer drove to Nanaimo in winter conditions. He found the house he was looking for with the assistance of a passer-by. His introduction to "Pal" occurred when the back door opened and up bounded a very large and determined dog covered in fresh snow. Sizing up the situation quickly, Lieutenant Colonel Heppell recognized the dog as being strong, fit and friendly – qualities befitting a Canadian Scottish soldier – and offered to take him away with him to become the Regiment's mascot. This satisfied the family and although the young lad of the house was sad to see his friend "Pal" leaving, all were content that he would be well cared for.

Wallace III, as he was renamed, stayed with the Heppell family until the following parade night when the Commanding Officer



Wallace III



brought him to the Armoury for an introduction to the unit. Wallace howled dolefully at the sound of the pipes when he visited the band room, much to the delight of the drummers present. On parade, Wallace stood beside Lieutenant Colonel Heppell. He was introduced to the Headquarters and 'A' Company elements of the Regiment and when the parade was asked by the Commanding Officer if they would accept the dog as their mascot the response was a resounding "YES SIR!"

The Commanding Officer made two stipulations: first, that a handler was required from the ranks; and second, Wallace would have free access to all messes in his capacity as Regimental Mascot. After the parade Warrant Officer J. "Hans" Peeters volunteered to serve as handler with Wallace III living with his family. This was approved without hesitation and there began a wonderful relationship between Warrant Officer Peeters and Wallace that was to last until 1982 when Wallace III passed on.

Like his predecessor, Wallace III was given the No.1 Dog Tag by Mayor P. Pollen in March of 1972. During his 10 years of service he was seen by thousands of spectators when on parade with the Pipes and Drums. Wallace III attended training at Camp Wainwright, Alberta, and Fort Lewis, Washington, and various Branches of the Royal Canadian Legion and hospitals where Regimental veterans were being cared for.

His last parade was on the 11th of November in 1981 and he passed away on the 23rd of February in 1982. His ashes are held in the Warrant Officers' and Sergeants' Mess.

Wallace IV

24 September 1989 – 22 May 1991

After the death of Wallace III, the Colonel-in-Chief, Her Royal Highness Princess Alexandra, had indicated a desire to present her Regiment with the next mascot. No more a rumor, Brigadier General and Mrs. D. Coell were tasked with the commission to find a suitable St. Bernard. They selected a puppy from the Val David Kennels in Quebec.

Born on the 2nd of August 1989, Wallace IV was shipped to Victoria by air just prior to the 75th Anniversary Celebrations. He was presented amidst a roar of approval from the Battalion,

Veterans and the Regimental Family, by Princess Alexandra to Lieutenant Colonel J. Cameron on the 24th of September of 1989. The next day he was given to his handlers, Sergeant and Mrs. T. Higgins.

Not only had he established his chain of command with the Commanding Officer by 'passing his compliments' on Lieutenant Colonel Cameron's tunic at the presentation, he also managed to put Master Warrant Officer R. Cullen in his place a few days later by biting him on the ear and drawing blood – resulting in a grumble from the wounded man that he would have to draw up a Charge Sheet on the insubordinate canine.

Wallace IV took up his duties quickly and endeared himself throughout the Regiment, but to the sorrow of all, he too was diagnosed with congenital hip dysplasia. His last appearance was at the 1991 Victoria Day parade, and he was put down on the 22nd May.

Wallace V

4 September 1991 – 6 June 1998

Within months of Wallace IV's passing, Carol David of Val David Kennels sent out a successor, Wallace V. Sergeant and Mrs. Higgins undertook Wallace's welfare and training. Wallace V carried out his role both on parade and off for almost seven years. As with his predecessors, he was welcomed in all Regimental messes and managed to create a name for himself. One night, at the Nanaimo Military Camp, he was seen chasing a deer through the fields with one of the soldiers on night Fire Picket at the end of the leash trying to keep up and keep from falling down. On another occasion he managed to pay his compliments on a sports jacket, which later turned out to belong to Pipe Major Kelly.

On official duties he went wherever the Pipes and Drums went including Regimental Parades, their rounds of the Legions, the Veterans' Hospital, and some visits to the U.S.A. Suffering from bone cancer, he had to be put down on the 6th of June in 1998 – a fitting date for a fine soldier.



Wallace V



Wallace I With One of His Fans.

Wallace VI — 2002 - 2011

In 2002 the unit's Warrant Officer Chuck Middleton and his family volunteered to raise a new St. Bernard puppy in Victoria, who became Wallace VI. When Wallace was a mere puppy he used to run full speed in the hallways of the old buildings at the Nanaimo Military Camp. Not having learnt how to stop yet, he would just slide across the floor bumping into soldiers' feet. When fully grown, he weighed 200lbs and he had his "Wallace Wagon" like his predecessors. He had his own drivers and the Commanding Officer (at that time L.Col. Boucher) used to joke that "he" never had his own driver but Wallace always did! Wallace's favorite hobby was eating couches when bored.

WO Middleton over the years became the Regimental Sergeant Major. Very fitting to have Wallace at his side. Wallace accompanied the Regiment on parades, field exercises and traditional ceremonial events. He was quite the local celebrity being featured in several newspapers and TV news casts. Wallace VI even had an audience with the Mayor of Victoria and was a frequent guest at the Lieutenant Governor's house—as it seemed the two of them were good friends. He stole the hearts of many and is now dearly missed by the entire Regimental Family.

A special thank you to Jack Drysdale, Curator the Canadian Scottish Regimental Museum Victoria, British Columbia for providing the information and photos for this story.

NEWS FROM THE WALLACE 700 ASSOCIATION

Auld Freens,

Sadly I advise that three of our longstanding members, Ken Irons, Norman MacLeod and John Ogg have passed away. All were generous supporters of our Annual Ceremony. Ken joined our Council in early days and as a former tax inspector. He was a great help in drawing up our applications for Charitable status. John, I don't think missed an annual ceremony these past 20 years. Latterly ill health restricted Norman's attendances but his letters to the press, particularly those in response to any perceived slight to the history of the Gaels or his beloved Isle of Lewis, were always worth a read. Norman's efforts in co-authoring a book on the effects of family & community life and about the Harris & Lewis Lolaire Disaster will come to fruition with its publication this autumn.

The Wallace Statue

And The Proposed UTG Works

Part of the City Council plan for the revitalization of our city centre, as I am sure you are all well aware, involves the spending of around 21 million pounds in making the Union Terrace Gardens more appealing and accessible. The initial thinking was that this would partly be achieved by surrounding the Wallace Statue with a pond. Thankfully, subsequent revisions to this vision has led to the "Reflective Pool" being reduced to a water feature.

It has been reported that Cllr Marie Bolton, who is taking the lead role in progressing the City Centre Plan, is currently interviewing prospective contractors with a view to commence site works in 2019.

Wi aa gweed wishes

John Mackay



Wallace700

SCOTTISH EMBROIDERERS BUILD WALLACE MONUMENT

Embroiderers' Guild 'builds' The National Wallace Monument

15 June 2018 – Stirling – Embroiderers from across Scotland have created a wall hanging depicting The National Wallace Monument which is now on display at the Stirling visitor attraction.

Originally unveiled as part of the Scottish Embroiderers' Regional Day at Stirling's Albert Halls, the 1.8m finished article was designed and produced by members of the Embroiderers' Guild from across Scotland.



Joan Allan (Hamilton and District Embroiderers' Guild Branch Chair) and Jane Currie (Vice Chair of the Scottish Region of the Embroiderers' Guild)

Made up of 105 individual sections, each is unique and showcases an array of techniques including hand-stitching, machine work, applique, stumpwork (3D) and patchwork.

Speaking about the inspiration behind the artwork, Jane Currie, Vice Chair of the Scottish Region of the Embroiderers' Guild, explained: "As this year's theme is 'Art and Architecture', we chose to depict The National Wallace Monument because of its architectural creativeness and its significance in Stirling. Twenty-three regions around Scotland took part in creating the piece and the variety of techniques used has made for a fantastic looking final piece."

The Embroiderers' Guild is a national charity aimed at textile education and protection of its collection of historic stitched art.

Abby Richards, marketing co-ordinator at The National Wallace Monument added: "The influence of The National Wallace Monument and William Wallace's story is huge. We are so honoured that the Embroiderers' Guild chose to recreate the landmark and think the final piece is stunning."

Visitors to the National Wallace Monument can find the wall hanging displayed in the Keeper's Lodge, on the ground floor of the 67 metre tall monument.

WALLACE SCONES BAKED WITH LOVE!



Wallace Scones at Detroit Highland Games

Wallace Scones

By Connie Wallace

We attended the Detroit Scottish Highland Games in August 2018 and came across a tasty treat at the Wallace Scones booth. They have 14 flavors of scones including pumpkin pecan, lemon lavender and savory flavors of Italian herb blend and cheddar chive. Luckily they provided samples so we didn't have to guess which would be our favorites. Mine personally was the raspberry chocolate chip. It was soft, warm and flavorful.

Wallace Scones is a family owned business started by retired nurses Mary Wallace and Julie Tenbusch. Mary and Julie initially made grandma's secret recipe with fresh ingredients to share with friends and family. Everyone told them the scones were great and many encouragers convinced them to sell their baked goods to the public. They each invested and Wallace Scones was born. The scones are sold frozen in several lower Michigan stores and online, and can be baked at home. They also sell special baskets with 6 scones of one flavor, jar of jam and choice of either special blend Wallace coffee—complete with the Wallace Modern Tartan—or Harley and Sons English Breakfast Tea for \$20 and shipping. A great fall or Christmas gift in case anyone is taking note.

"Something freshly baked in your own home draws people together," says Mary. "The aroma of something coming from the oven makes you want to stay home and invite others in to join you. Julie and I both had Mothers that were exceptional cooks and bakers. For special occasions or when coming home from school, the aroma of something in the oven spoke 'love'. We wanted people to experience that. With schedules the way

they are now, few people take the time to bake or cook at home so this was the closest thing we could do to help them feel the 'love' of something homemade."

Mary and Julie also spread love to other's less fortunate with the proceeds of their sales. They donate 10 percent of their sales to the Mercy Education Project in Detroit (www.mercyed.net). In Detroit over half of the population is considered functionally illiterate. This program helps women and girls that have limited resources to gain educational opportunities and job training programs. One success story includes a woman who went from a 3rd grade education to gaining her GED in just 18 months. The Mercy Education program recently added a leadership program for Middle School Girls that exposes girls to college attendance and cultural activities they might not otherwise ever know about.



Mary and Julie, being great Scots that they are, hate to waste good food. They take baked scones not sold at the festivals and donate them to the Capuchin Soup Kitchen meal program (www.cskdetroit.org). The soup kitchen feeds men, women and children. They grow their own food in an Urban Farm and help men released from prison learn the trade of baking at an onsite bakery. The program operates on the each one teach one principal and former graduates train new parolees to focus them on gainful employment.

Hats off to the women of Wallace Scones and the way they have turned their love of baking into a gift of food and benevolence!

www.wallacescones.com



HIGH HONORS FOR NATIONAL WALLACE MONUMENT

Success for The National Wallace Monument with award from VisitScotland

25 July 18 – Stirling – Legends Coffee House, at The National Wallace Monument, has been awarded a 'Taste Our Best' accreditation from VisitScotland for its outstanding commitment to local Scottish produce.

This quality assurance status is awarded to food and drink establishments that can demonstrate their use of fresh, seasonal Scottish produce from local sources and that have friendly and knowledgeable staff.

Legends Coffee House works with local Scottish businesses, such as Graham's Family Dairy, the Trossachs Pie & Pastry Company and Hamilton's Cheesecakes to make sure their menu showcases the best local produce. The award-winning café ensures that the offering caters for a range of customers visiting the historic landmark, no matter what their personal taste or dietary requirements.

As well as receiving a Taste Our Best accreditation, The National Wallace Monument has also maintained its 4 star attraction rating.

Speaking about the award, Linda Robertson, Duty Manager at the attraction said "At The National Wallace Monument, our focus is always on providing an outstanding experience and excellent customer service. In Legends Coffee House we aim to serve fresh and tasty food, prepared and served with a smile. We hope that our customers, from near and far, think about Legends as a great place to meet friends, or relax after taking on the Monument's 246 steps!"

Lord Thurso, VisitScotland Chairman said: "It is wonderful to see the Legends Coffee House at The National Wallace Monument achieve this award. The landmark is a key attraction to Stirling and the surrounding area and this award is a testament to all of the hard work and dedication of the staff.

"There is a growing expectation and desire among visitors to see local produce included in their dining experiences and Taste Our Best provides businesses with an assessment of the overall quality of the visitor experience and the use of Scottish produce on their menu.

"We need to create world class experiences, events and attractions to keep up with ever-changing visitor demands. Tourism is more than a holiday experience – it is the heartbeat of the Scottish economy and touches every community, generating income, jobs and social change."

Legends Coffee House is currently open daily from 9:30am – 6:00pm and offers a range of breakfasts, lunches and snacks.



Staff members Duty Manager Linda Robertson, Liz Hall, Sharon Carson and Debbie Muirhead with VisitScotland chairman Lord Thurso

Legends Coffee House

Whether guests have just climbed up 246 steps to take in the views from the Crown at the top of the Monument, or they're just looking for a spot to catch up with friends for coffee, Legends Coffee House at The National Wallace Monument is the ideal spot for a relaxing break.

Legends Coffee House has recently earned the 'Taste Our Best' accreditation from VisitScotland to reflect the high quality of its products. It stocks a selection of breakfasts, lunches, snacks and drinks from local suppliers.

The National Wallace Monument

The National Wallace Monument is managed and operated by Stirling District Tourism Limited. The Monument was opened in 1869 to commemorate the life of the Scottish patriot and martyr Sir William Wallace. As a registered charity, Stirling District Tourism receives no Government funding and is reliant for income from donations and admission fees.

The National Wallace Monument is open each day from 09:30am, until 6:00pm in July and August.

2019 will mark the 150th Anniversary of the opening of the distinctive Stirling attraction. The celebrations will include an extended programme of special events.

NEWS FROM CONVENERS



Aaron, Russ and Marcia Harper

The 37th Annual Smoky Mountain Highland Games

By Marcia Harper

The 37th Annual Smoky Mountain Highland Games (TN) was held on May 19-20, 2018. The games are held at the campus of Maryville College in Maryville, Tennessee. Sunny skies and 95 degree weather for Saturday with light rain all day on Sunday. Forty-nine clan tents participated. Russ and Marcia Harper along with Aaron Harper and Susanne Dykes hosted the Clan Wallace tent.

The entertainment included the Colin Grant Adams, Albannach, Tannahill Weavers, Four Leaf Peat, The Selkie Girls, Trip Rogers, Marci the Entertainer, and the Good Thymes Ceilidh Band. The Games included heavy athletics; which our very own Jeremy Wallace came in 2nd place in the amateurs "A" division. There was also a kilted run, Children's Highland Games Competition, Highland Dancing, Pipe Band Competition and Border Collie Demonstration. The vendors at the games included, Near and Far, The Gaelic Shop, The Celtic Knot, The Heelan Hound, Highland Kilt Company, The Scots Corner, Scottish Gourmet, the Celtic Croft and St. Croix Weaving. Three Best tent awards were handed out, Clan Wallace won first place.

Thanks to all that came out and enjoyed the weekend with us.



18th Mid-Maryland Celtic Festival

By Wayne Jones

On June 16, 2018, the 18th Mid-Maryland Celtic Festival was held at the Mr. Airy, MD Carnival Grounds. It was a very nice sunny day. With my 27-year experience with this festival under different names, it seemed to be a record crowd. You could tell this by the amount of people gathered around the athletic field that seemed to be 5-deep on the hill, and the crowd at the music stages.

The festival included Parade of Clans and Societies, Annual Shortbread Competition, Scottish Ceilidh Dancing, and Hero Dogs and Veterans, British Car Show, and Dance Stage. The heavy athletics included Pros, Amateur Men, Adaptive Athletes, Women and Masters.

There were two music stages. The Guinness Pub Stage included Rathkeltair, The Kilmaine Saints, and Celtic Mishap. The Acoustic Stage included Capital Celtic, the Martin Family Band, and Craggy Island. There were also six pipe bands: Chesapeake Caledonian Pipes and drums; MacMillan Pipe Band; Maryland Youth Pipe Band; Joh, F. Nicoll Pipe Band; Kiltie Band of York, and; Washington Scottish Pipe Band. They welcomed the Clan March and opening ceremonies, and played during the day throughout the grounds for the participants.

Thanks go to Bill Wallace and Jim "Bowie" Wallace for their help welcoming visitors at the Wallace tent throughout the fantastic day.





Greg Wallace

Scottish Fest 2018

By Greg Wallace

The largest clan gathering in Southern California, Scottish Fest 2018 was held on May 26 and 27, 2018 at the Orange County Fair & Event Center. It played host to 72 clans and just under 20,000 visitors. This event is held every year on the Memorial Day weekend which adds to the meaning of family, dedication, and country. A tribute to those who serve and remembrance of those who are no longer with us were held on both days. Performances from the Third Marine Aircraft Wing Band, Los Angeles Police Emerald Society Pipes and Drums, and Los Angeles Fifes and Drum were the highpoints of the services.

Clan Wallace was the first clan in the Clan March on both Saturday and Sunday and only the second time in my memory. (The last time was when we had 40 people in the march and the organizers might have been worried that we would start another revolt!)

The booth is going through a transformation this year with a new layout, new displays, and activities. It was a rough go with winds in the 10-15 mile per hour range. But, thanks to the support of Robert/Lois Wallace and Pat/Nikki Schuller everything went well and we will be making some changes for the next event. Lois and Robert brought their years of experience and antidotes. Nikki and Pat brought their awesome energy and some 100 copies of the Scotland Magazine that were enthusiastically received by interested visitors. Thirty three visitors signed the registry with the majority interested in becoming involved with the Clan Wallace Society. The booth was located across from the athletic competition which provided entertainment throughout the weekend. Some of the highlights of the festival were:

Just under 20,000 visitors with 72 clan booths.
 Eighteen Pipe Bands competed in 8 categories.
 Scottish American Athletic Association, SAAA, athletic competition.
 Vintage British Car show.
 Just under 100 vendors in 4 different vendor areas.

San Diego Highland Games 2018

By Greg Wallace

Held June 23 and 24 at Brengle Terrace Park located in the hills of Vista (CA). The 45th Annual San Diego Scottish Highland Games featured a variety of activities and entertainment for guests of all ages. Over 40 clan and 30 vendor booths filled the quaint park for the 2 day festival. As one of the smaller events in Southern California, it provides a warm and friendly environment for the residence of San Diego to enjoy and learn about their Scottish heritage.

Most visitors spent 15-30 minutes to hear about the "real" William Wallace; all had seen the movie Braveheart and were quite intrigued to learn that the Hollywood rendition was less than factual. Others were interested in the weapons on display and Castles of Scotland display. Some just sat and shared their experiences in Scotland and family genealogy. This year's festival saw some changes to the venue which put the Clan Wallace booth in perfect viewing of the athletic competition and closing ceremonies.

Festival Highlight included over 8,000 visitors and over 40 clan booths. The athletic competition was managed by the Scottish American Athletic Association, SAAA. The Wicked Tinkers, Highland Way, The Ploughboys, and Golden Bough provided entertainment on two festival stages. USBCHA sanctioned Sheepdog trial and there were over 30 vendors in attendance.

Special thanks to Sarah Tipton and Kevin Michaels for their help.



The 63rd Annual Grandfather Mountain Highland Games

By Marcia Harper

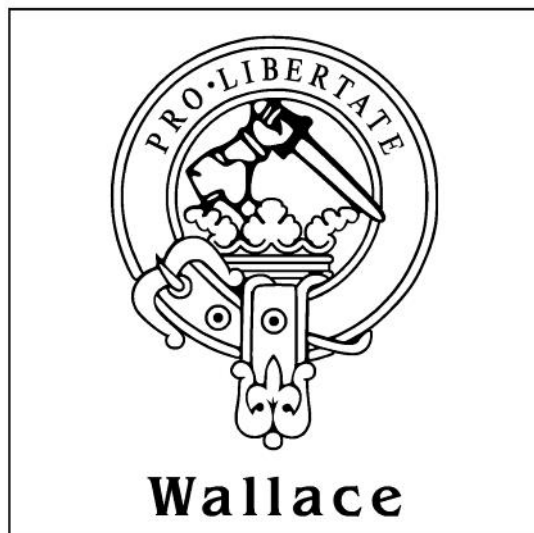
The Grandfather Mountain Highland Games (NC) were held on July 12-15, 2018. A rainy Friday started off the weekend, but the sun came out to greet the 118 clan tents participated. Russ and Marcia Harper along with Larry and Judy Slight hosted the Clan Wallace tent.

We had a special guest at the Games this year, Actor David Berry currently of "Outlander" fame, as Lord John Grey. Other special guests to the games were Margaret Frances Boswell Elliott, 29th Chief of Clan Elliott and Andrew MacThomas of Finegand the 19th Chief of Clan MacThomas. Other groups that attended were the Scottish Tartan Museum, Council of Scottish Clans and Associations, Scottish Culture and St. Andrews Society of Upper South Carolina.

These games are held at MacRae Meadow on Grandfather Mountain, North Carolina. Thursday night Russ participated in the calling of the Clan, Wallaces cheered as he yelled FREEDOM !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Many Wallaces attended this weekends activities, Russ Wallace and family, Mark Clifford, John and Sally Wallace and family, Judy Wallace Moore and family, Larry and Judy Slight, Megan Fischer, Terry and Kelly Wallace and many more.

New this year to the Grandfather Mountain Highland games was the Clan Wallace stone that has been added to the memorial at the entrance of the games.



Artists Rendering for the Stone.



Russ Harper with the Clan Wallace stone.

The 2018 Bear Run, part of the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games, started in Linville Thursday night and concluded at the top of Grandfather Mountain. Over 800 runners started the race and ranged in age from 8 to 80.

For the 4th year at Grandfather Mountain, we had women athletes competing in the games. Amy Jenkins proudly wears the Wallace green when she competes. Go Amy!!

We would like to recognize the following new members, Karen Firehock, Russ Wallace, Bruce Wallace Bowen, Justin Crowe, and Chris Simeral for joining the Society. Also returning annual member Mark Clifford. Our thanks to the many that came out and enjoyed the weekend with us.

Without YOU there is no Clan Wallace. We can't wait to see you all next year!



Waiting for the parade to get started at Noon on Saturday, five of us with the Wallace red kilt showing: Nikki Schuller, Phoenix; Bob and Lois Wallace, Phoenix; Kirby Trews, Prescott Valley; Thom von Hapsburg, Phoenix. Almost but not quite we escaped the heat in Phoenix. Flagstaff bumped up to about 80 on Saturday, 87 on Sunday, both days with humidity tossed in at no extra charge.

NACHS Festival

By Bob Wallace

Arizona Highland Celtic Festival held its 21st annual event at Foxglenn Park in Flagstaff, Arizona over the weekend of July 21 and 22. In addition to about two dozen clan tents in the park, attendees were treated to the usual entertainment to be found at such an event: dancers, athletes, piper and drum competitions, Celtic-related workshops and vendors.

Gates opened promptly at 9:00 each morning, the event running until 6:00 on Saturday, 4:00 on Sunday. Parade of Clans and Massed Bands took place at Noon on both days. Chief James McBain of McBain, Lady McBain and Richard McBain, Tanist, were in attendance both days.

Weather may have been a factor in a somewhat reduced attendance rate at this year's festival, given one day in the week leading up to the event bringing five inches of rain to parts of Flagstaff in a relatively short period of time. Weather interruption on Saturday came with about a 40-minute thunderstorm that brought a moderate amount of rain, lightning and thunder sufficient to get some clans to put up their tent sidewalls, at least briefly, then take them down when the storm finally moved on out of the area. Sunday was somewhat warmer, some of that "warm" coming from the humidity that stuck around throughout the weekend.

Entertainment for the weekend included Wicked Tinkers, Knockabouts, The Ploughboys, and Robert Watt, master bagpiper performing a varied selection of pipe tunes.

41st Ohio Scottish Games

By Todd Wallace

The 41st Ohio Scottish Games were held on June 22-23, 2018 at the Lorraine County Fairgrounds in Wellington, Ohio. Twenty-six clan tents were set up inside the barn at clan village, so weather was not a factor. The Clan Wallace tent was hosted by Todd, Connie, CJ and Erin Wallace and everybody enjoyed the company of the 2 wee Wallaces, Sirion and Xander.

One of the Wallace highlights was when the clans marched into the arena at the calling of the clans. When they called Clan Wallace, CJ yelled FREEEDOM! while pumping his fist in the air. The entire crowd rose to their feet cheering. Clan Wallace received the biggest and loudest cheer of the day! We also had several Wallace visitors to our tent, many of the other clans were excited to see Clan Wallace represented at the games.

The Ohio Scottish Games featured Pipe and Drum, Harp, Fiddle, Adult Highland game and Wee One game competitions, a British car and motorcycle show, Scottish animals, vendor village and entertainment. Live music was provided by American Rogues, Jeni's Chickens, Little Fire, The McIans and Mad Maudlin.



Connie Wallace

Olde Quotes: The Wallace Family was plain old fashioned Scotch, of the purist stock. They are never run out of anywhere! Sir William Wallace was not of the cringing type, nor would he bend "the pregnant knee, so that thrift might follow fawning" as said by the immortal English Bard of Avon! -Taken from Tennessee Cousins, by Worth S. Ray, 1950.

The 169th Annual Detroit Highland Games

By Marcia Harper

The Detroit Highland Games (MI) were held on August 4, 2018. Ugly hot temperatures on Saturday did not dampen the spirits of the 26 clan tents participating. Clan Wallace among them. The Council of Scottish Clans and Associations and Scottish Culture, Grant's Company and St. Andrews Society of Detroit were also present. The Clan Wallace tent was hosted by Russ and Marcia Harper.

These games are held at Greenmead Historical Park Livonia, Michigan. Greenmead is a historical farm site that was purchased by the city of Livonia to preserve the legacy of Michigan's agricultural heritage.

At 11:00am we had the blessing of the tartan. Followed by the parade of tartan. We were joined by Terry Wallace and Jim Wagner as we marched around the parade field. Todd and Connie Wallace, and Mary Ann Wallace joined us at the tent to enjoy the games.

The games hosted a Tug o' War, Highland Dancing Competition, Heavy Athletics, Wee Bairns Area, Whisky Tasting, Highland Tea, and Shortbread Contest.

Our thanks to all that came out to enjoy the weekend with us. Without You there is no Clan Wallace. Can't wait to see you all next year!



Terry Wallace and Russ Harper



Roy Wallace with granddaughter Isabelle.

2018 Green Hill Highland Games

By Roy Wallace

The foothills of the beautiful Appalachian Mountains was the perfect setting for the 10th anniversary of the Green Hill Highland games in Roanoke, VA. A local area group, known as Warrior 360, began the games as a Renaissance Faire and Scottish Highland Games as a fundraiser for wounded vets. The games have continued to grow and for the past three years, they have been working to attract more Clans and Vendors.

Opening ceremonies began with the Virginia Highland Pipes and Drums followed by the parade of Clans. This year's event had a total of 13 clans and this was the first year for Clan Wallace.

Hearing the soaring of the bag-pipes, the sounds of the Highland Games and smelling the delicious food made for an incredible day. On hand were plenty of vendors for all your Scottish/Irish needs. There was even a gentleman available to measure you for a custom kilt. Ralph of St. Kilda made my wife very happy. She is expecting her custom kilt any day now! In the beer hut you could get ice cold beer or sample some of the finest scotch Southwest Virginia has to offer, all while listening to live music from local bands.

It was a very competitive day at the Highland Games. From the caber toss to the Scottish hammer throw the competition was fierce! At the end of the day's games the men challenged the women in a sheaf toss. One of our fine ladies Hit 19 feet!! Both went for 20 feet but neither one made it.

During the course of the day, for the Star Wars fans we had a Scottish Storm Trooper make an appearance. Later in the day my 4 year old granddaughter came out to show her support for Clan Wallace as well as her mother's clan.

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Clan Wallace Society is represented at many Scottish Games and Celtic Festivals each year by Conveners who put up tents throughout the United States and Canada. Conveners representing Clan Wallace Society are volunteers who work individually with assistance from our , each of whom acts to further the goals of Clan Wallace Society's Charter. In many areas across the United States and Canada, members get together as groups to support other local Scottish, Irish and Celtic historical events. To contact a convenor in your region, take a moment to view our Convenor List.

We welcome anyone wishing to participate in Clan Wallace Society activities. If you wish to join the Society,

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