

turnbull clan association

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- NEWS-LETTER -

Dear Member,

It is some time since you heard from HQ on the state of The Clan now that we are a year older. The past twelve months have seen some most heartening developments in the furtherance of our Association and it gives me great pleasure to report as follows:

1. MEMBERSHIP

Our membership to date stands at 188 members throughout the world, a considerable achievement, I think, you will agree. The Committee in Hawick ran a membership drive in the winter months which concentrated solely on the area around Newcastle-upon-Tyne. This was done by circular and although we received many replies, we have found that letters to Scottish type magazines do just as well and at considerably less cost!

At the same time during the Winter, our American cousins, namely Dottie Berk of Chicago and Byron G. Turnbull of Lafayette, California, were doing a similar exercise which has resulted in an American membership of seventy-six—an achievement of which they can be justly proud.

Our next experiment will be to circularise a city in Australia through their telephone directory addresses and I am assured that a heavy response is practically guaranteed. This project will be under the command of Mr W. Spratt of Geelong, Victoria, who has kindly offered his services in the search for members.

Whilst on the subject of membership I am sure you will be interested to know that the Turnbulis are strong in religious matters, having six ministers of religion so far.

One of the nicest aspects of the Clan is the pleasure we are accorded when one of the Association is visiting Hawick, an aspect from which I am sure we will all benefit once full lists have been circularised to all members. As this is a fairly large task the Committee have been pondering upon the best way of producing the List of Members, once we have grown a little larger.

2. FINANCE

I am glad to say that the revenue from subscriptions, brooches, etc., has been sufficient to sustain all projects, i.e. mailings and Tartan development, leaving a cushion in the bank of approximately £100.00. We are sure that the launching of the Tartan will bring in further funds which will allow the subscription to remain at £2.00 and \$5.00 respectively.