



## THE BULL'S EYE BULL-E-TIN

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### NEWS FROM BONNIE SCOTLAND

We regret to report that our Organizer, John Turnbull of Hawick, was stricken with a heart attack while on a skiing trip in Switzerland, just six weeks prior to the Gathering. John made a tremendous recovery and was well enough to direct and participate in all of events he and his Committee had planned. John has another check-up in July and we hope he passes it with flying colors.

Myra and John are celebrating a happy event this year, their Silver Wedding Anniversary. We wish them Health, Happiness and all of lifes Goodness. It has certainly been an eventful year already.

THE GATHERING IN HAWICK was a BLAST from start to finish. It was a three day party. The program was super and the fellowship warmed the heart. The Church Service in the lovely old Kirk in Bedrule was very personal and touching, an emotional experience hard to put into words.

THE NEXT INTERNATIONAL GATHERING will be held in 1985. It is not too early to start planning and saving now. It is a wonderful experience.

Lou and George T. of Madison, Wisconsin were the only other U S participants. George has promised to write a report citing his feelings and what the Gathering meant to him. Hope to have that report for our next issue. Details of the program are contained in the article from the Hawick News, copy attached.

### GOLDEN GAMES

Velle T. of Denver has again VOLUNTEERED to host a Clan Tent at the Games to be held in Golden, Colorado on August 8, 1981 at Brooks Field, Colorado School of Mines Campus. The events start at 8:30AM. Further information can be obtained by writing: Rocky Mountain Highland Games, St. Andrew Society, 9 Range View Dr. Denver, Colorado 80215. The founding members of the Clan Association have a soft spot for the Golden Games as that was the site of the first US Gathering and the signing of the founding papers. That was two years ago. GOOD LUCK, VELLE.

The Games in Altamont, N. Y. will be held on September 5, 1981. We have not heard from Rev. Bill as to whether he will be free to host a tent. Know from past remarks that, if possible, he always tries to make it out there for some part of the day. Look for him at the tent sponsored by the Council of Scottish Clan Associations.

### OTHER GAMES AND DATES

The current issue of the Highlander has quite a list of Games and other events, too numerous for us to mention here. Will mention those of note

as well as some of those chosen for location to give our members around the country an opportunity to enjoy a day in a Scottish atmosphere.

July 25-26 - Spokane Scottish Festival, Riverfront Park, Spokane, WA.

August 1 - Traer-Feill Highland Games, Traer, Iowa

August 20-23 - Scottish World Festival, Exhibition Place, Toronto, Ont.

August 22 - Scottish Festival, Quechee, Vermont.

Sept. 5-6 - Caledonian Highland Games, Santa Rosa Fairgrounds, Santa Rosa, CA.

Sept. 18 - Charleston Scottish Games, Middleton Place, Charleston, SC.

Sept. 20 - Highland Fling Scottish Festival, Highland Park, Roanoke, VA.

October 17-18 - Stone Mountain Scottish Festival, Stone Mtn. Park, Stone Mountain, GA.

November 14-15 - Salado Games & Gathering, Village Green, Salado, TX.

#### WOOSTER GAMES REPORT

Myrtle Hawken attended the Wooster Games and said it was a beautiful day. Myrtle also attended a meeting called to ascertain whether the Scots in the State of Ohio should form an association to act as a clearing house for information regarding Scottish activities, generally, but more particularly within the State. No action was taken and another meeting will be held at a later date. Thanks Myrtle.

U S GATHERING - 1982 - It has been suggested that we try to hold our next Gathering during the Grandfather Mtn. Games, Linville, NC., usually held the second week of July. Other ideas have been Ft. Ticonderoga, NY. second week of July, Long Beach, CA., third week of June, Santa Rosa, CA., 1st week of September. Would welcome your thoughts and ideas.

#### GENEALOGY

Jerry and Gary T. of Wheaton, Il. have donated the enclosed Pedigree Chart and Family Group Record Sheets. Our return address has been stamped on the back in hopes that you will fill in as much data as you have at hand. Please do not hold back because all you have is a few names, dates, etc. Our files need anything and everything you have to offer. What may seem insignificant to you might be of tremendous value to some of our other members. Jerry, Gary, Mike and I would love to have you overwhelm us with your replies.

#### NEWS ABOUT OUR MEMBERS

Word has been received from Dr. Bob & Yvonne T. that he is no longer with the Waikiki Beach Chaplaincy. Both Yvonne & Bob are now associated with "The 700 Club" on TV - The Christian Broadcasting Network, Inc. We ask God's Blessings on their move and their mission. Look for them on your TV screen.

The Bannockburn Gala, sponsored by the Scottish Lowland Clans et al, held on board the Queen Mary was a great success from all reports. The figures sent to me indicate that the TURNBULL CLAN accounted for 10% of the crowd. TREMENDOUS.

**T**HE TURNBULL Clan gathering, held in Hawick over the weekend, proved a resounding success, with 70 delegates from all over Britain and abroad taking part in the celebrations.

The festivities began on Friday night, with a ceilidh held in the Crown Hotel.

Throughout the evening, the visitors were treated to a feast of traditional entertainment and the company was favoured by many well-known local entertainers and singers, including Rob Hobkirk and his band, Wat Robson and friends, Reene Currie, Edna Tait, Cathy Williams, Charlie Turnbull and his country dancers, and Will Scott.

Latecomers who arrived during the course of the evening were made welcome, and the success of the first event of the programme set the scene for the rest of the weekend.

On Saturday morning, Dr Michael Robson, Curator of Hawick Museum, gave a lecture on the history of the Turnbull Clan in which he

revealed that there is evidence of Turnbells existing in the eighth century.

The lecture was recorded by the guests and should make interesting reading when transcribed.

In the afternoon, following lunch at the Horse and Hounds Inn in Bonchester, the guests were taken on a tour of the places of interest in the area.

First the two busloads went to Bedrule, and then round Jedburgh Abbey, Barnhills, and Fatlip's Castle before going to Mossbail so that the visitors could have a taste of the Common Riding.

They enjoyed the outing immensely and returned to

Hawick at about six o'clock.

On Saturday night, the international dinner was held in the Crown Hotel, and the company was graced by many excellent speeches. The main toast "To the Turnbull," was given by Dr Bill Cameron, who was in sparkling form and gave a humorous and spirited speech.

During the evening they were entertained by Bert Armstrong, the renowned local singer, accompanied by Adie Ingles on piano. The visitors found the Border songs enchanting, and the dinner, which finished late, was voted a great success by the 90 guests who attended.

On Sunday morning a good congregation turned out

at Bedrule Church to hear the Rev. Harry Dodds preach a memorial sermon which was much appreciated by all who attended.

Following the service the company had a light lunch in the Fox and Hounds Inn at Denholm before making their departures. The general feeling was that it had been a great weekend and that the guests were already looking forward to the next gathering.

Mr John Turnbull, who organised the event, commented: "There will definitely be another one in four years. However, depending on membership there could be another Clan Gathering sooner."

# Clan Gathering great success



*THE TURNBULL CLAN . . . Turnbells from all round the British Isles and overseas visited Hawick this weekend for the Turnbull Clan Gathering.*

HAWICK EXPRESS Wednesday, May 27, 1981 - Arrows 1 to r, Dottie, Bill, Lou, George & John.