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INMEMORIAM

JOHN F. TURNBULL, Organizer and Founder of the TURNBULL CLAN ASSOCIATION, Scotland, passed away February 22, 1982 at Hawick, Roxburghshire, Scotland.

IMMORTALITY

Do not stand at my grave and weep... I am not there. I do not sleep.

I am a thousand winds that blow,
I am the diamond glints on snow.
I am the sunlight on ripened grain...
I am the gentle autumn rain.
When you awake in the morning's hush,
I am the swift upflinging rush
Of quiet birds in circling flight.
I am the soft star-shine at night.

Do not stand at my grave and cry... I am not there. I did not die.

Author Unknown

We knew him but a short while but his memory will be loved and cherished forever. REST IN PEACE.

1982 U S GATHERING - GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN

John had desired this Gathering at Grandfather Mtn., and we have sent a letter to the Committee requesting that John's name be read in the "FLOWERS OF THE FOREST" memorial portion of the church service. We respectfully request that all members who can, attend this service, in John's memory.

We have received a list of 25 articles of IMPORTANT INFORMATION from the Grandfather Mtn. Committee. The following are the ones pertaining to your attendance.

- 2. GMHG INFORMATION CENTER Will be located at the Pixie Motel, Linville, where tickets and programs may be purchased Monday, July 5 thru Friday, July 9 12 noon until 5 pm.
- 3. TICKET ORDERS Will be filled during the first part of May. Due to postage increases and paid personnel, 75¢ must be included to cover cost; otherwise, ticket orders will be held at the GMHG Information Center at the Pixie Motel to be picked up prior to the Games.

Checks must be made out to GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN HIGHLAND GAMES and mailed to: Robert W. Groves, Jr.

Post Office Box 9667
Savannah, Georgia 31412

TICKETS - Adult \$7.00 per day - Child \$3.00 per day (6 - 12yrs.)

- 5. TARTAN BALL Saturday, July 10th. G. Simms Mc Dowell, Jr. P. O. Box 670 Charleston, S. C. 2940l is in charge. Prices and invitation to be mailed to me in May. Tartan Ball is by invitation only, to members of Sponsoring Clans. We are a Sponsoring Clan.
- 6. PICNIC Thursday, July 8th, on MacRae Meadow. Food concessions will be on the Meadow or you may bring your own picnic basket. We will have lights at the Field but you may find flashlights handy. Following the Picnic the new Fair Isle film will be shown by the National Trust for Scotland.
- 8. CEREMONY Thursday, July 8th, following the picnic, MacRae Meadow. "Lighting of the Torches to Raise the Clans of Scotland". Clans will be asked to furnish ONE male participant in proper attire.
- 9. SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCING GALA Will be held at Lees McRae College (Williams Gymnasium) Friday, July 9th.
 - a. As the College has a policy against serving alcoholic beverages on the premises, soft drinks will be available.
 - b. Tickets will be sold at the GMHG Information Center, Grand-father Golf & Country Club and at the door.
 - c. Tickets will be \$8.00 per participant and \$3.00 for spectators over 12 years of age.
 - d. THE THISTLE BAND WILL BE WITH US AGAIN FOR THIS OCCASION.
 - e. Chairman: Larry M. Long, 246 DeLee Dr. Kingsport, TN. 37663 Co-Chairman: Mrs. E. Barnes, 5034 Eskridge Terrace, NW, Washington, D. C. 20016
- 10. CEILIDH Friday, July 9th, 8:00 pm, and Saturday, July 10, 7:30 pm, Hayes Auditorium, Lees-McRae College, Banner Elk, N. C. Tickets at the door. Adult \$5.00 -- Child \$2.00 (under 12 yrs.)
- 14. CLAN COMPETITION It is requested that each clan have a representative to compete in the Clan Kilted Mile. This runner may be a sept of the clan. He is to report to the athletic tent Saturday morning or he can pre-register by writing to: Rev. Richard R. Gammon, 603 South Elm St., Greenville, N. C. 27834
- 18. ICE A local civic organization will sell bagged ice on the filed starting Thursday.
- 19. PUBLIC TELEPHONES will be located near the church service area.

- 20 PETS We are concerned about the number of pets that get on to the field. Therefore, GMHG has a rule that "NO PETS ARE ALLOWED".
- 21 CAMPING is limited. Contact: Guy V. Soule, 2134 E. Fifth St., Charlotte, N. C. 28204 Phone: (704) 588-0884
- 22 CHILD'S INDENTIFICATION STICKERS will be available at the GMHG Information Tent at the field. These are for the parents to put on the backs of small children that may get lost and thus can be identified.
- 23 "FLOWERS OF THE FOREST" is part of our church service and is also included in the program. This is a memorial service. Anyone wishing to have a clansman remembered please send their name to: Robert W. Groves, Jr., P. O. Box 9667, Savannah, Georgia 31412
- 24 SHUTTLE BUSES Please advise your members that bus transportation is available. Buses will operate from the parking area opposite the riding stables on NC 105 near the junction of US 221, and possibly in an area on US 181 towards Newland.
 - Crossnore Volunteer Fire Dept. operates these buses and will charge a fee. Bus transportation will enable a person to possibly leave the field quicker than by car parked in the public area at the Games site.
- 25 IT IS A NORTH CAROLINA LAW that cars parked on the side of a highway cannot touch the pavement. Please notify your members of this as last year the Highway Patrol had a number of cars TOWED AWAY.

Now you have it, "ALL YOU WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN HIGHLAND GAMES, AND WERE AFRAID TO ASK". Trust you have saved the MAP and ACCOMMODATIONS LIST contained in our last Newsletter, Vol II No. 4.

The hotels and motels and condos listed are now accepting reservations.

Received a nice letter from Allan Turnbull, Alexandria, Va. He and members of his family attended GMHG last year. They travelled in his motorhome and "camped" at Buffalo Camp. "It is a beautiful place. At the time of the Games the countryside was ablaze with rhododendrum and mountain laurel." He hopes to meet all of us at the 1982 Games.

SUGGESTION - Write: North Carolina Travel Package - North Carolina Travel Dept. 161, Raleigh, N. C. 27699. Ask for the North Carolina Travel Package. You will receive facts on where to go, where to stay, what to do, even a full-color map keyed to points of interest.

The 1982 World's Fair will be going on at the same time in Knoxville, Tennessee, for more information write: Gatlinburg Tennessee Chamber of Commerce, 520 Parkway - P. O. Box 527, Gatlinburg, TN 37738. Toll free out of state: 1 - 800 - 251 - 9868.

LORD PROVOST - GLASGOW

Our members have received another gracious invitation from Michael Kelly Lord Provost - Glasgow to visit him at the City Chambers when visiting Scotland.

GENEALOGY

"The Association of Scottish Genealogists and Record Agents was recently formed in Edinburgh. In response to an ever increasing demand for research assistance in genealogy and to maintain the professional standards of those offering their services.

Those wishing to have research carried out on Scottish lines select a member of the Association. Then send a preliminary letter stating the case and giving any information which may assist the researcher. The fee is then set. An International Reply Coupon should be enclosed with preliminary inquiry.

The address is, Association of Scottish Genealogists and Record Agents, 2 Bangholm Terrace, Inverleith, Edinburgh EH3 5QN, Scotland." This article appeared in the Jan/Feb 1982 issue of the Highlander magazine.

FROM THE LAND DOWN UNDER

Jim, our Organizer in Australia has sent us their recent Newsletter containing the news that they now have 170 members. They are also undertaking the task of recruiting and organizing the Turnbulls of New Zealand. We wish them a host of luck.

Jim also enclosed a family tree of Lord Blantyre. Those interested will find the details given in the "Scots Peerage, Vol IV, pages 145 thru 151, Vol II pages 77 thru 93". It contains information of the Stewarts and Lord's Blantyre from around 1300 to 1900 when the Barony became extinct. Jim can trace his Turnbull tree back on the collateral line of Blantyre.

1982 DUES RENEWAL NOTICE

Checks are trickling in sloly for 1982 membership dues. All those who have not yet paid will receive a notice with this mailing.

We keep accurate records of checks received, so if in doubt as to whether you have paid or not we will return duplicate checks or can give you the data on the last check you sent us: Check No., Date of issue, Amount.

Yes we have been known to return checks to members who have paid twice or overpaid for an item or feared their checks have gone astray. This proceedure has proven itself many times, postal problems and human nature being what they are.

1982 HIGHLAND GAME SITES

April 17 - Jacksonville Florida on the campus of the Ed White High School

May 8 - 9 - Tidewater Scottish Festival and Clan Gathering will be held at the Holiday Trav-L-Park, 1075 General Booth Blvd., Virginia Beach, VA.

May 21 - 23 - Great Smoky Mtn. Gatlinburg Highland Games, Gatlinburg, TN.

June 26 - Ohio Scottish Games, College of Wooster, Wooster, Ohio