



THE BULL'S EYE BULL-E-TIN

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MEMBERSHIP CARDS

Your new membership card for 1983 will be enclosed with this Newsletter. We have had lots of request to produce a card, we hope you like it. Before his death, John was working on ideas for such a card so the US Branch withdrew their plans. Who is to say that we can't have two, if such be the case.

1983 U S GATHERING - COSTA MESA, CALIFORNIA

Hope all of you are singing "California, Here We Come". Let's make this our biggest Gathering yet. Have lots of information to impart on a separate sheet. Trust you saved the last Newsletter with all the data for making your reservations at the Sheraton Newport.

In an effort to give you another choice, we have been in touch with Diane Pritchert, National Sales Manager of The Westin South Coast Plaza, 666 Anton Blvd., Costa Mesa, CA. 92626. They have offered a rate of \$69.00 per night, single or double occupancy.

1983 INTERNATIONAL GATHERING OF THE CLANS - ANTIGONISH, NOVA SCOTIA

"Ciad Mile Failte" (One hundred thousand welcomes) to the International Gathering of the Clans, July 9-17, 1983, Antigonish, Nova Scotia, Canada. Further information may be obtained by writing: Antigonish Highland Society, 274 Main Street, Antigonish, Nova Scotia B2G 2C4.

GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN HIGHLAND GAMES, LINVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA

Charles Trumbull and his family will be hosting the tent for TCA on July 9 and 10 at the GMHG. Please note, TCA will have tents coast to coast this year, if you can't visit one, perhaps you can stop by and say hello at the other. Remember, your dues pay for the operation of these tents, come visit your money if nothing else.

NEWS FROM AROUND THE WORLD

AUSTRALIA - Jim sends word of their Gathering to be held April 30, 1983, at the Masonic Centre, Homestead Road, Orchard Hills (Penrith) NSW. If you have friends or relatives in the area please notify them. If you are planning a trip stop by and say "hi" to your cousins.

Jim relays news of Pat, NEW ZEALAND who has held an organizational Gathering this past January 30th. Sorry we were not aware of the date would have liked to have sent our best wishes for a successful meeting.

"Over the last few months (thanks to the clan) I have uncovered what I believe is another branch of my family here in Australia going back to what was a cousin of my g g grandfather who came to Aust in 1840, as yet I have been unable to confirm it but I am 90% certain of the connection."

"With our records I have in my spare time carded some 1800 names other than my own family, and have identified some 14 different branches of the clan so far here in Aust. I have also obtained a microfiche index of all births, deaths and marriages

for NSW between 1788 and 1900 which is a goldmine of information. All the best with your Gatherings and we hope we may get over to visit in the not too distant future."

CANADA - VIA NICOSIA, CYPRUS

Major Dave T. Turnbull, Force Provost Marshal, now stationed in Cyprus expects to return to Canada sometime in July. At that time he hopes to undertake the task of forming a Canadian Branch of TCA. We have assured Dave that he can count on us for any help he needs in setting up. We ask the cooperation of our members, please notify your Canadian relatives and if possible, send us a list of names and addresses for forwarding to Dave's new address.

"THE STEEL BONNETS" BY GEORGE MAC DONALD FRASER IS BACK IN PRINT

Word has been received from Unicorn Limited, Inc., P. O. Box 778, Morgantown, WV 26505 that "The Steel Bonnets" is back in print, 361pp. ppb. "(Especially for these families: Armstrong, Beattie, Bell, Burn, Charlton, Collingwood, Croser, Dacre, Dodd, Elliot, Fenwick, Forster, Graham, Hall, Hetherington, Hume, Irvine, Johnstone, Kerr, Laidlaw, Little, Lowther, Maxwell, Milburn, Musgrave, Nixon, Pringle, Ridley, Robson, Toutledge, Rutherford, Scott, Storey, Tait, Trotter, Turnbull.) For almost 18 months, this book has been out of print. Without doubt it is the most sought-after book on the Border families in our entire repertory. Fraser's book is entertaining, extremely well researched and written, and essential to all of you Border people. In typical British fashion, this book will be sold out within a few months, and then will not be reprinted for another 18 months." Order No. 19-1, \$6.50 plus postage. Postage: 1 book \$1.50, 2 - \$2.50, 3-5 \$3.00.

Unicorn is also offering "Family History on Cassette". "One hour of the history of your clan on cassette tape. These are well researched clan histories which take each clan from the earliest times to the present; there is clan music interspersed throughout the tape, but the emphasis is upon a thorough narrative of the legends and development of the clan. Tapes are in stock for the following: Buchanan, Cameron, Campbell, Donald, Ferguson, Fraser, Gordon, Graham, Grant, Kerr, Lindsay, MacGregor, MacIntosh, MacKay, MacKenzie, MacLean, MacLeod, MacNab, MacNeil, Murray, Robertson, Ross, Stewart, Sutherland. \$11.00 plus \$1.50 p & h each."

Many of our members are also of these other clans and know they will be happy to receive this news. Perhaps, one day, the Turnbells will be on that list.

Another book has been brought to our attention. "More than 800 establishments, from thatched cottages to Tudor manor houses in England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales, are described in detail in the first American edition of "The Best Bed & Breakfast In The World". Long popular with British and European travelers, the guide by Sigourney Welles also lists about 700 B&B establishments in major cities in Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Holland, Norway and Sweden. Prices are included. Available at bookstores for \$9.95 or directly from The East Woods Press, 429 E. Blvd., Charlotte, N.C. 28203"

UPCOMING HIGHLAND GAMES

May 14 & 15 - Tidewater Scottish Festival - Holiday Trav-L-Park, 1075 General Booth Blvd., Virginia Beach, VA 23451.

May 20-22 - Great Smoky Mountains Gatlinburg Highland Games, - Mills Park, Tennessee

May 21 - Southwestern Highland Games, St. Thomas' Episcopal Church and School,
4900 Jackwood, Houston, Texas

June 25 - Ohio Scottish Games, Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio

Oct. 22 - Ozark Highland Games, Arkansas College, Batesville, Arkansas 72501

GENERAL INFORMATION - COSTA MESA GAMES, ORANGE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

If driving, the Orange County Fairgrounds may be reached by taking the Fairview Off-ramp from San Diego Freeway. South on Fairview to Arlington, left to Vanguard and right on Vanguard to Entrance. FREE PARKING

Admission prices: Adults	- 2 day ticket \$9.00, 1 day ticket \$6.00
Senior Citizens	- 2 day ticket \$7.00, 1 day ticket \$4.00
Children 14 & under	- \$1.00 each day

THE AFTER-THE-GAMES DINNER DANCE will be held on Saturday, May 28, in Building #16 at the Fairgrounds. No Host Bar at 6:00PM, Hot Buffet Dinner at 7:00PM, with dancing following. There also will be Highland Dancers and a Bag Pipe Band to entertain. There will also be a Disco Dance for the young people in Building #11 at 8:30PM. Dress is optional. Tickets \$10.00 per adult, \$5.00 for children 14 and under.

Reservations must be made as tickets are limited. Make checks payable to United Scottish Society, Inc. send to: Fred Smith, 3309 Vail Avenue, Redondo Beach, CA. 90278 (213) 370-9887. Please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope. Make sure to specify that you want seated with the Turnbull Clan Gathering. Make reservations as soon as possible as tickets are limited to 350 persons.

There are facilities for campers and RVs with electric and water hookups. There is no sewage hookup but there is a dump. The price is \$7.00 per night, reservations necessary. Checks made out and sent as for dance. Parking area will be open from 2p.m., Friday, May 27th.

Gates open 9AM to 5PM each day.

In addition to Highland Dancing Competition, Pipe Bands, Individual Piping and Drumming Competitions, and Athletics they plan a Bentley-Rolls Royce Rally, a Sports Car Rally, Soccer and Rugby, Scottish Food and Exhibits and Information on Scottish Heritage. TWO DAYS of Scottish Festivities.

Highland Games admission tickets will be discounted \$1.00/day if purchased on or before May 6th. Adults and Seniors only. Purchase at same time you order Dance tickets.

THE BANNOCKBURN BALL

The Bannockburn Ball will be held at the Newporter Inn, Newport Beach, California Saturday, June 4, 1983. The Turnbull Gathering will reconvene at the Ball. All members planning to stay in the area are cordially invited to attend. Tickets are \$25.00 per person for dinner and dancing. There will be Highland dancing, open bar, as well as a very funny Scottish Master of Ceremonies.

The Newporter Inn will give a 50% discount on all rooms if the guest will mention the Bannockburn Ball.

As for dress, if the gentlemen own a kilt, that is the time to wear it, otherwise a business suit or tux. As for the ladies, long dress if possible. Yes it is a formal affair.

The seating will be on a first come, (depending upon when the checks arrive) first serve basis. The tables are round and will seat ten.

Send checks and self addressed, stamped envelope to: Bulah Wallace, 2609 Willow Lane, Costa Mesa, California 92627. Phone #714-548-8241.

For those members who can afford the time the reconvening offers yet another chance to be together and a great opportunity to meet and socialize with other members of the Scottish Lowland Clans and Families, sponsors of the Ball.

Please keep this Newsletter handy, it has all the dates, deadlines, instructions and addresses you will need for the Gathering and the Balls. Come swell the crowd and make this our largest Gathering yet.

WHAT TO SEE AND WHAT TO DO BEFORE AND AFTER THE GAMES

The hotels and motels in the area will have a good supply of literature, where to eat, what to see and where to shop. To obtain some of that information before you leave home there is a free new guide available, published by the Greater Los Angeles Visitors and Convention Bureau. Write to G.L.A.V.C.B., 505 S. Flower Street, Los Angeles, California 90071, ask for a copy of "L.A.'s the PLACE."

VIRGINIA SCOTTISH GAMES

The Tenth Annual Virginia Scottish Games will be held in Alexandria, Virginia, July 23 -24. Once a one day affair, the Virginia Scottish Games has expanded to include a military tattoo in Old Town Alexandria on Thursday, July 21, an open piobaireachd (bagpipe) competition Friday, July 22, and then a two-day Scottish country fair at Episcopal High School on Saturday and Sunday.

The Virginia Scottish Games is just one event in which the City of Alexandria keeps its Scottish heritage alive. Alexandria was founded by Scottish merchants in the early eighteenth century and evidence of that founding is seen today in historic homes and public buildings, street names, and special events such as the Games, the Scottish Christmas Walk (first Saturday in December) and Hogmanay.

Most of the Scottish Games events take place at Episcopal High School, 3900 West Braddock Road, in the west end of Alexandria. It is within minutes' drive from Old Town Alexandria, George Washington's home at Mount Vernon and Washington, D.C.

MEMORIAL FLAG AND BANNER

Turnbull Tartan material is being sent to the Parade Marshal, Grandfather Mountain Highland Games, Linville, North Carolina, to make a flag for the Parade of the Tartans and a wall hanging banner for display during the Tartan Ball. Banner and flag will remain in the care, custody and control of GMHG. The flag and banner are the Turnbull Clan Associations memorial tribute to our late founder and organizer, John Turnbull, Hawick, Scotland.

The GMHG are sponsored by Scottish Heritage. John had hoped one day to not only attend these most prestigious of games but to see our Tartan on display there. We can think of no better tribute.

May the Roads be Clear
And your Fortunes Wide:
May the Friends you Love
Be at your side.

Anon