



THE BULL'S EYE BULLETIN

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HIGHLAND GAMES AND REPORTS

Grandfather Mountain Highland Games, Linville, N. C. - Hosts: Netta and John Turnbull, Charlotte, N. C.

John reports that on the Thursday he did the honors for the Clan at the Raising of the Clans ceremony. Friday he and Netta attended the Reception. Saturday, the parking arrangements have been changed and this was a detrimental change resulting in having to transport all our equipment a much longer distance to get to our tent.

This year the Turnbull tent was on the back row. A lot of people stopped at the tent and a number of them signed up. Sally Turnbull Dupuis sent them a follow-up packet of membership information.

Don Turnbull, Sally Turnbull Dupuis joined Netta and John at the Turnbull table at the Tartan Ball.

BOOKS

Jo Anne Sikes of Florida has written to inform us that a new book has just been published: "MULLET ON THE BEACH - THE MINORCANS OF FLORIDA 1768 - 1738" by Patricia C. Griffin. This gives the first 6 chapters to the New Smyrna years - this should be of interest to the Turnbull Clan. The author, Pat Griffin, is very knowledgeable and has helped Mrs. Sikes with research from time to time.

The book is part of the Florida Sand Dollar Series - by the University Presses of Florida. The book can be obtained anywhere, it is out in the market place as a current book.

DO YOU KNOW THIS PERSON

"THE RETIRED OFFICER MAGAZINE", August, 1991 issue contains a list of people they have lost contact with and are trying to reach among those listed are: Mrs. W. A. Turnbull, last known to be in San Antonio, Texas. If you know her please tell her to contact TROA toll free number 1-800-245-8762 Ext. 2.

GENEALOGY

A query appeared in the October, 1991 issue of "THE SCOTTISH BANNER". "I am trying to find where the Trumbull family came from when they settled in the Ohio valley about 1844.

There were three sons and one daughter born to James Trumbull and Hanna Waterbury. The three boys were born in Lucas Co., Ohio: Rufus H. Trumbull - born May 3, 1845; James Nelson Trumbull, born Dec. 23, 1850; William O. Trumbull, birthdate unknown and one daughter, Mary Trumbull, birthdate also unknown."

The author of the article, Isabelle MacLean suggested several sources for research:

"TRIMBLE FAMILIES: A PARTIAL LISTING OF THE DESCENDANTS OF SOME COLONIAL FAMILIES" by Eugene E. Trimble.

"McCALL-TIDWELL AND ALLIED FAMILIES" by Ettie Tidwell McCall. The reference is to Trumbull Connecticut organized in 1797. Check to learn why the town was called Trumbull

"EVEREST GENEALOGY" by Winifred Lovering Holman contains a chapter dealing with a copy of Trumbull records.

"HISTORY OF THE TOWN OF STONINGTON" by Richard Anderson Wheeler contains data on "John Trumbull, born about 1606 came to this country from Newcastle-on-Tyne, North-umberland England. A list of his children and their families is also shown.

"OHIO SOURCE RECORDS FROM THE OHIO GENEALOGICAL QUARTERLY" and "EARLY OHIO TAX RECORDS" by Esther W. Fowell.

With all the various spellings of Turnbull, Trimble, Trumbull you are well advised to collect all data listed regardless of the spelling of the surname and sort it out as the pieces start to fit together. Even within one family one party will choose one spelling over the other.

"THE FAMILY TREE" published by the Ellen Fayne Odom Genealogy Library, Moultrie, GA. April, 1991 issue contained an article by Merle M. Baker, which in part called attention to the opening of the 1920 census to the public on March 2, 1992. The 1920 census will provide the name, address, relationship to family head, sex, age, marital status, if foreign born, year of immigration to the U. S. whether naturalized, year of naturalization, school attendance, literacy, birthplace of person and parents, mother tongue of foreign born, ability to speak English, occupation, industry, class of worker, home owned or rented: if owned whether free or mortgaged.

CONGRATULATIONS

Tony Turnbull, Binghamton, N.Y. proudly announces that he has become the President of The Scottish Society of the Twin Tiers. He has also expressed an interest in perhaps hosting a Clan tert at one of the games in his area.

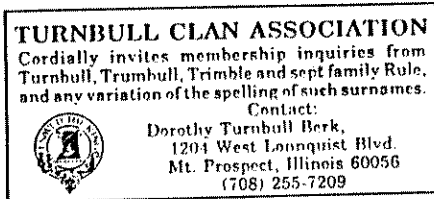
BEST WISHES for a fulfilling and smooth term of office.

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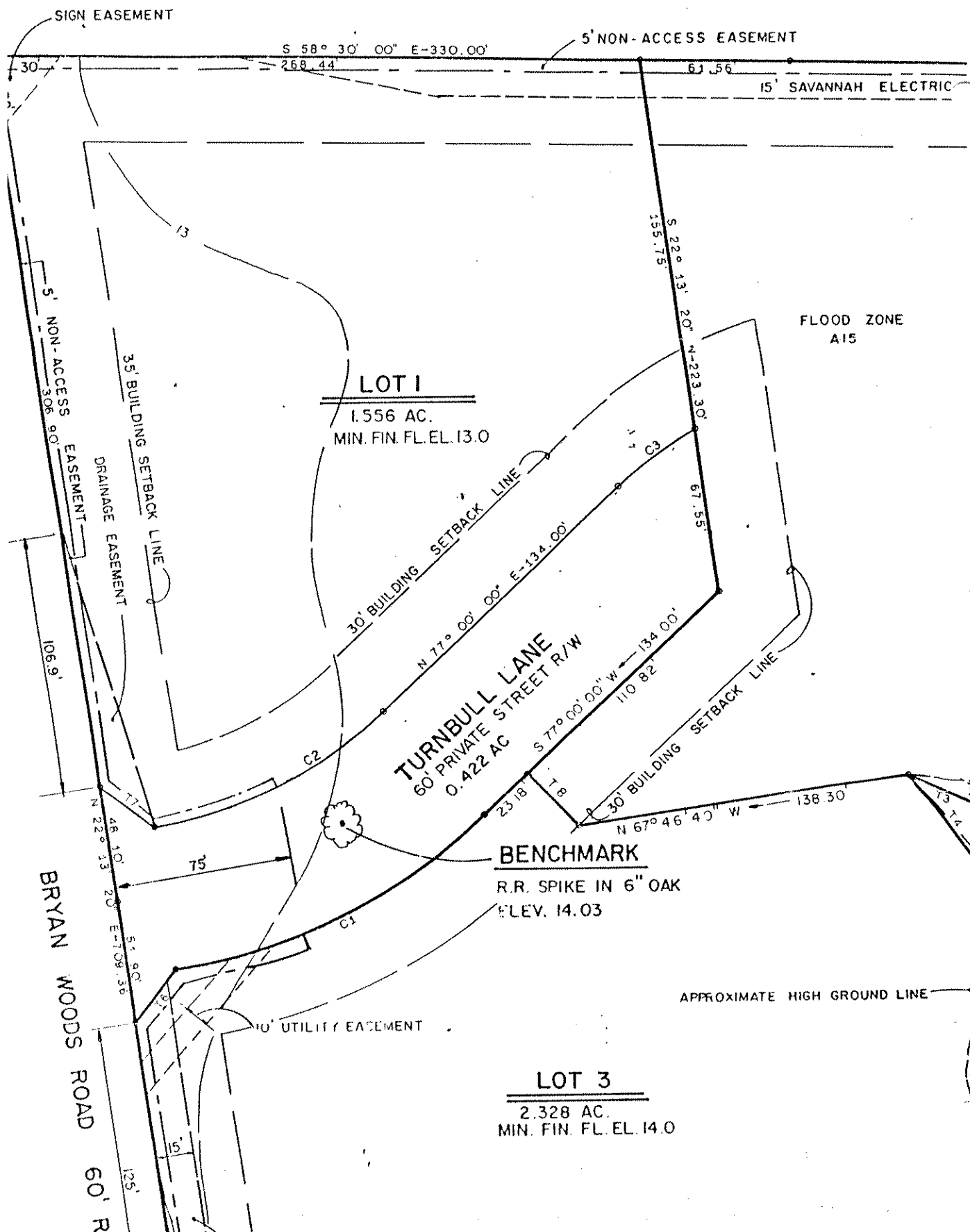
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DEAR Ms. BERK,

MY 82 YEAR OLD MOTHER WAS BORN IN
SCOTLAND SO I'M INTERESTED IN SCOTS MATTERS.
I SAW YOUR CLAN NOTICE IN THE HIGHLANDER.
I CLAIM THE FRASER CLAN, I'M A REAL
ESTATE DEVELOPER AND RECENTLY DEVELOPED A
SMALL TRACT ON WHITEMARSH ISLAND NEAR
SAVANNAH. NAMING STREETS IS DIFFICULT AS
THERE CAN BE NO DUPLICATION, NEW NAMES
ONLY. I WENT TO THE GEORGIA HISTORICAL
SOCIETY LIBRARY AND RESEARCHED SOME OLD
NEWSPAPERS TO TIE THE TRACT INTO THE PAST,
ATTACHED ARE MY NOTES, WHERE THE GAZETTE
REPORTED NICHOL TURNBULL (THERE ARE NO TURNBULLS
IN THE LOCAL PHONE DIRECTORY) HAD WRITTEN HE
HAD PLANTED COTTON ON WHITEMARSH ISLAND
IN THE SPRING OF 1789. SAVANNAH WAS
FOUNDED BY GEN. JAMES OGLETHORPE IN 1733.
IN HONOR OF NICHOL TURNBULL WE NAMED
ONE OF OUR STREETS AS SHOWN ON THE
ATTACHED SUBDIVISION PLAT. (WE STILL NEED TO
ERECT A STREET SIGN.

GOOD LUCK TO YOU IN YOUR SCOTS
PURSUITS. Sincerely Elliott Simmons



TRAVEL

If any of our members are planning a trip to Florida and particularly to the New Smyrna area, please be aware of the fact that Jo Anne Sikes is no longer working at the library. Mrs. Sikes has suggested that you go to the Chamber of Commerce on Canal Street -- and please identify yourselves as Turnbull kin. Signs along the roadway (US #1 and Hwy. 44) say VISITOR INFORMATION CENTER (Chamber of Commerce).

Mrs. Sikes also suggested that if you plan in advance she will try to arrange to contact the New Smyrna Chamber of Commerce and supply them with a list of people to call to help in anyway to give you a New Smyrna welcome.

Remember contact the Chamber of Commerce, 115 Canal St., New Smyrna Beach, Florida, 32170-0968.

FATLIPS CASTLE

John Turnbull, Charlotte, N.C. writes: "When I was in Scotland in Jure, I climbed the easier end of Minto Crags to get to Fatlips Castle. I climbed the spiral staircase to get the view of the Teviot river that "Fatlips" Turnbull had got in years gone by.

Quoting from "The Scott Country", by John Geddie. "Laughs and dells, green hills and wide sweeps of river spread around the fragments of Fatlips Castle, whose owner, a Turnbull, dwelt,

"Mid cliffs from whence his eagle eye
Full many a league his prey could spy".

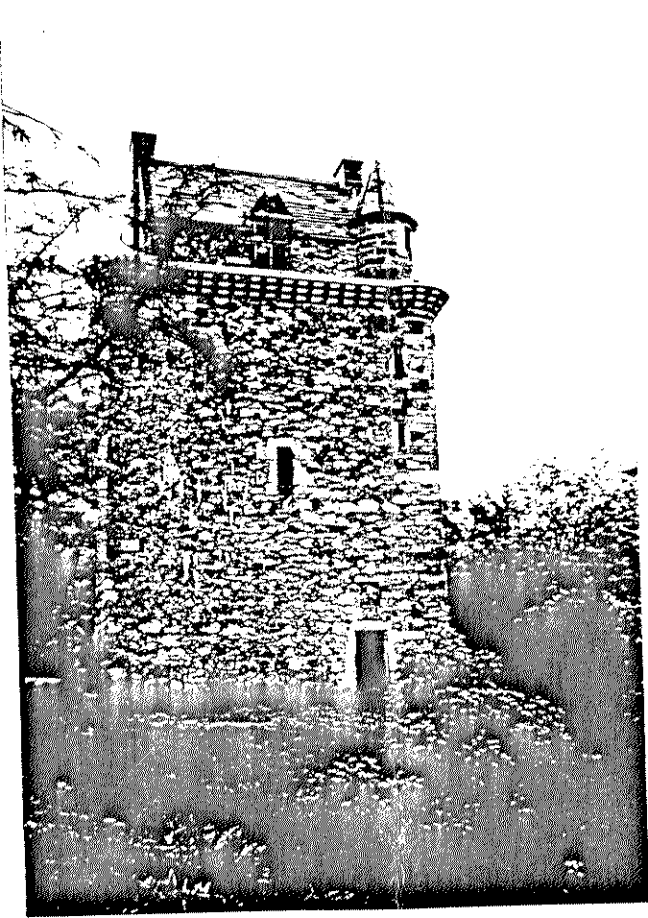
The slate roof is in a poor state and will probably collapse in the next year. The enclosed photos give some idea of the condition of the roof. Fatlips is owned by the Earl of Minto, and though close to the villages of Denholm and Minto is really quite isolated, with no road to the castle and footpath is a tough climb. (Any Turnbull Clan member interested in a first hand account of Fatlips is welcome to call me at (704) 364-1251; especially anyone with thoughts of parting with some money to get the roof fixed.

The dream of course is that one day the Turnbull Clan Association, would own a bit of Scotland, with a Turnbull history, near Bedrule.

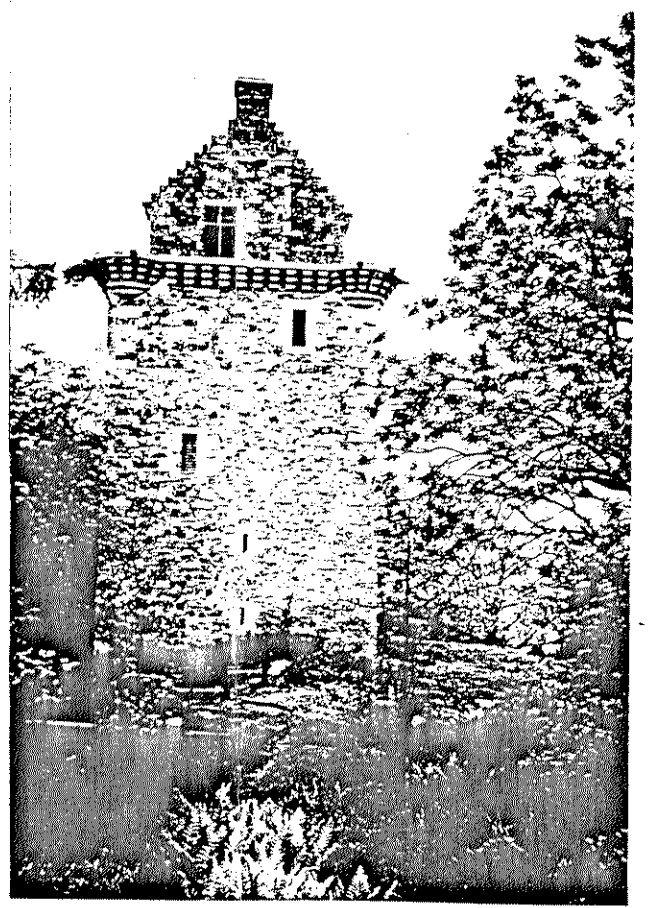
John's photos were in color and we have done our best to have them reproduced in order that the membership can also enjoy a visual view of Fatlips Castle.

THE WHOLE NINE YARDS

"NEWSBEAT" from the MacFie Clan Society of N.A. offers explanation as to how the expression "the whole nine yards" came to be: It takes nine yards of fabric to make a monks robe -- the exact amount of a bolt of cloth; Kilts are made from nine yards of material; Coal was delivered by large trucks divided into three cubic yard sections -- the whole nine yards was an entire truck-ful; Or a concrete mixer truck can be loaded with nine cubic yards of concrete, but because of weight limits, most trucks are loaded with only eight yards. Anyone who receives a nine-yard load gets more than a full measurement of concrete. Me, I vote for the "whole nine yard kilt" theory! MacFie's



Front



and side elevations of Fatlips