



# THE BULLSEYE

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John F. Turnbull, Founder 1977

Dorothy Turnbull Berk, Founder N.A. 1978

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## Letter from the President

### The TAC Genealogy Committee

Most members of TAC became members due to their interest in their own family genealogy, which they hoped TAC could be of assistance. Due to the nature of the research involved, and due to certain legal restrictions because of our 501c3 tax status, TAC has not embarked upon any such activity in that area. However, I was contacted by some of our members who gave me tips about genealogical research, I thought why not have some these members who are experienced in this area form a committee to answer general questions about the subject.

Theodore (Tao) Blake of Greenbelt, Maryland has agreed to form up this committee. Those members who have experience in this area are urged to contact Tao and advise him how they could be of help. Once Tao has formed this group, then members will be invited to submit their inquiries to Tao.

**It is important that all enquires are submitted in writing or by E-mail.**

This newest and favorable development in TAC is something that I did not consider as a possibility and therefore, I am very happy to be able to make this announcement, and to wish Tao all of the best in his endeavors.

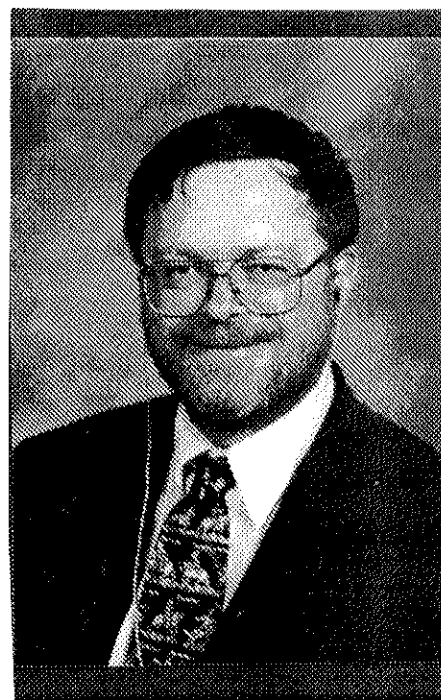
Aye yours,  
John G. Turnbull, President

### Introducing Tao on:

**Theodore Evernghim Blake II** of Greenbelt, Maryland and Charlottesville, Virginia, single. Freelance photographer and philosopher, and a diverse deaf guy, who was always interested in researching Genealogy, Historical mapping and Heraldry as my favorite pastime, applying the methods on collecting data while on my travels, finding ideas on my New England father's and my mother's Southern ancestry and overseas. My paternal grandmother is from New York as the descendent of the Southern Tyrone, and Fermaugh Scoto-Irish Trimble stock of the 1840's. I was born two months prematurely in Bremen, Germany while my parents were employed at the U.S. Embassy. I like to read, can lip read pretty good and know signs in ASL and BSL, and can speak fairly well. I have dabbled in my favorite pastime since 1972. I hope to enrich and improve TCA's Genealogical and Historical information base.

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## Games around the country.

<http://www.asgfs.org/9html>

September 29....Alabama Highland Games, Montgomery, Alabama

August 4-5.....Monterey Scottish Highland Games and Celtic Festival, Toro Park, Monterey, California

Aug. 24-Sept 1...Scottish Fiddlers of California, Nevada City, California

September 1-2...San Francisco Gathering and Games, Alameda County Fairgrounds, Pleasanton, California

Tent Host Bill Turnbull, Clan Quartermaster

August 11-12....Colorado Scottish Festival and Rocky Mountain Highland Games, Highlands Ranch, Colorado

September 6-7...Long's Peak Scottish/ Irish Festival and Highland Games, Estes Park, Colorado

Tent Hostess's Fiona and Helen Turnbull

Sept. 22-23.....McPherson Scottish Festival, McPherson, Kansas

September 8.....Western Kentucky Highland Festival, Paducah, Kansas

August 18.....Maine Highland Games, Augusta, Maine

August 4.....St Andrew's Society of Detroit Highland Games, Livonia, Michigan

August 25.....Kalamazoo Scottish Games, Oshtemo, Michigan

Sept. 14-16.....New Hampshire Highland Games, Loon Mountain, New Hampshire

Tent Host Mark A. Turnbull, Clan Archivist

**\*\*\*\* Annual Clan Meeting during this time, all Members invited to attend\*\*\*\***

August 11.....Central New York Scottish Games and Celtic Festival, Syracuse, New York

August 18.....Amherst Museum Scottish Games and and Highland Festival, Amherst, New York

August 25.....Long Island Scottish Games, Huntington, New York

Sept 1-2.....Capital District Scottish Games, Altamont Fairgrounds, Altamont, New York

August 18.....Triad Highland Games, Archdale, North Carolina

Sept 15-16.....Oklahoma Scottish Games and Gathering, Chandler Park, Tulsa, Oklahoma

September 8.....Ligonier Highland Games, Idlewild Park, Ligonier, Pennsylvania

Sept. 28-29.....Celtic Classic Highland Games and Festival, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania

September 1-2...The Black Hills Highland Festival and Scottish Games, City Park, Sturgis, South Dakota

Sept. 28-29.....Days of the Scots, Fischer, Texas

September 22...Williamsburg Highland Festival, Williamsburg Winery, Williamsburg, Virginia

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## Wendy's Bike Trek for Aids Research

Wendy Gallant is 34, one of our younger members...agile and refreshing with an overwhelming drive to help this time. "I usually don't get involved with a lot of charities, but this one is quite different. I think a vaccine is the only way AIDS can be eradicated. Aids in Africa, right now threatens to destroy a culture. There are 16 million children in Africa with one or both parents dead of Aids, many of them infected themselves."

Wendy has pledge to ride 400 miles, from Montreal to Portland, on September 5-9, in the company of 3000 other bikers, all of whom will raise thousands of dollars to help fund AIDS vaccine research. Along with the mileage, she has also pledged to raise \$5000.00 for the cause, and is seeking donations from friends and associates... All donations are tax deductible, in case your interested in helping. "After the ride I'll come back and share my experiences with everyone".

Anyone who is interested in giving a little bit or patting Wendy on the back can reach her at:

e-mail [Wendy@echoman.com](mailto:Wendy@echoman.com) or by phone at 603-447-1898.

Her address is: Wendy Gallant, P.O. Box 716, Conway, NH 03813

Wendy's interview with the Berlin Daily Sun was published during the week of June 3<sup>rd</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>, 2001.

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## Announcement:

Last date for accepting the survey's is September 1, 2001. A finally report will be given to our President for presentation at the Loon Mountain games. I will have a report in the October issue of the Bullseye for all of you.

The survey is important, please mail them in.

Thank you, Janet



**HUNTER**  
at large



# The Turnbulls are trying

TURNBULL has got a kilt.

Although it is a bold red-and-green job, it does (he said) have a streak of yellow through. For its first outing he adorned a thrash some gentlemen artists held on St Andrew's Day. One Bohemian buffoon touched the new skirt with a cigarette. "I brushed him and the ash aside," he said. From all appearances he seems to have decided to be one of the fighting Turnbulls.

Since he stands 6ft. 2in., and spent his formative years at the backend of rugby scrums, hardly anybody is arguing.

Assembling the new clansman has taken since the autumn. Since when few intelligible sounds have been heard from him but war cries. As well as wearing his tribal roots he has been digging them up. "I think the Turnbulls have tended more to be gangsters than great fighters — less heroes than survivors," he has concluded.

For his next public appearance he plans to leap into Ne'erday, complete with knife and all the bits. He is so pleased with being a kiltie. "I seem to fall into it quite well," he felt moved to admit.

I tell you all this for two reasons, or three if you count an early warning to all the clan enemies of the Turnbulls, who are many.

First, though, the devious intention is to try to con him into doing a drawing of himself. Since for long enough he has been rustling from other people their most prominent features in order to caricature them in the paper, it is time to find out what kind of fist he makes of his own face.

A second reason is that, suddenly, all the world has been made aware of the Turnbull name. An attempt has even been made to work it into dictionaries. Space is being squeezed for the new word of Turnbullophile.

Specifically, it refers to Malcolm Turnbull who has put the tribal name into the world's headlines for his nifty way with flat sword as well as knife in the spy trial in Australia.

This Turnbull has insisted that his forensic enthusiasm is not fuelled by feelings of nationalism. He is, he says, neither an Anglophile nor Anglophobe. Wags are saying that any emotion he feels along these lines is in the direction of Turnbullophilia.

That's a fighting word. It may, however, explain some of the feuding that has gone on in Sydney. For the foe whom this Turnbull has cut up worst has been Sir Robert Armstrong — and the Armstrong gang are the historical Border neighbours of the Turnbull team.

What the high drama and low comedy of the Sydney trial have been

forms — blackmail, arson, robbery, kidnapping, murder, extortion. M15 tricks are not in the same alphabet.

Of the three dozen Border families (Elliot, the murderous Johnstones, Laidlaws, Lowthers, and the like), the Armstrongs come first. Only alphabetically, I hasten to add. And the last are the Turnbulls. All of the high-jinks Down Under can be explained in terms of a clash of tartan extremes.

It hasn't helped that the Armstrongs world-wide are mob-handed, whereas the Turnbulls are one of the smaller and newer lots. They are, therefore, eager to make a name for themselves.

One reason it has taken Turnbull (our one) so long to put on a kilt is that until recently the clan didn't have one. There wasn't even a clan until 1977 when the late John Turnbull, a licensed grocer in Hawick, gathered one.

Previously, all that the tribe had to its name was a whisky which Mr Turnbull's family has blended since 1855.

Whisky proved a good base for family-building. There are now several hundred organised Turnbulls. They have had a couple of international meetings in Hawick. There are already two tartans.

Membership includes Wendy Turnbull, the Australian tennis player but not yet Malcolm, the world's most natty lawyer, or not yet. "I'll be writing to him," said Councillor Myra Turnbull, who took over from her husband as association secretary.

About how the Turnbulls got their beefy name all I can tell you is what Myra Turnbull told me.

Once upon a time (so the Turnbulls say) the family name was Roull. When a son of the tribe was hunting in woods around Stirling with Robert the Bruce, a wild boar rushed on the King, who was unarmed.

"Howbeit (a chronicler inscribed) one came running unto him who overthrew the bull by plain force and held him down until the hunters came who killed him outright."

So Roull became Turnbull, or to begin with, Turn-e-bull.

There was a later Turnbull (or it may have been the same one) who stood in front of an English and dared any Saxon to take him on. (One Sassenach did, and killed him). A more recent clan hero was known as John Out-with-the-sword Turnbull.

Not every family moment has been glorious. It is said, possibly by Armstrongs among others, that James IV lined up 200 Turnbulls in their nightshirts and with ropes around their

## Flowers in the Forest

Born 1988 died June 2001

Encosy Johnson, was 12 years old, a black child from South Africa. He was not a Turnbull, but a member of the human race. Born with Aids, he lost his mother when he was two years old. He was lucky enough to find a foster mother who adopted him. He was an Ambassador to the world. His dreams of growing old did not exist; his dreams were of homes for mothers and their babies who have Aids and a vaccine to cure the scourge of his country.

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## Our Latest Members in Ministries

### Rev. Bob and Yvonne Turnbull

During Bob's young years, he was an actor in both movies and on television. He found God.

He met his future wife Yvonne, a graduate of Washington State University, while he was giving a service on the beach at Waikiki. They were friends for 3 years before they married. He had started a Sunday morning service for the tourist because they did not attend the regular Church services. Spreading the word on the local rock stations, that he would hold a service on the beach, 400 people showed up for his 1<sup>st</sup> service. Now 31 years later the services are still going the courtesy of the Hilton Hawaiian Village.

Bob and Yvonne are on a speaking tour around the nation this summer, and will hold a family summer camp. They have written many books and magazine article, on the power of personal relationships. They have a son Bob, married, he and his wife Misti, live in Atlanta, Georgia. Misti recently was mentioned twice in regards to her reporting for an Atlanta television station that was awarded 2 regional Emmy's.

Information from Dennis Dowdell, Exec. Director

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### Trivia Corner: By Mark Turnbull

Answers found on the last page

1. Where did William DeRoull take the bull by the horns?
2. What lands did the "Black Douglas" entrust to the Turnbolls?
3. Where is Fat Lips Tower?
4. Tis said, the Turnbolls could put 500 men in the saddle for a \_\_\_\_\_?

5. There were 3 English provinces called the March's, which one was home to Clan Turnbull?
6. In the United States there is a Mount Turnbull, and a Mount Trumbull, in which state do they reside?

## Game Report

By Fiona & Helen Turnbull

This was our first visit to the Kansas City Games. The sun was hot and Celtic music (with a hint of jazz) marked the debut appearance of the TCA at the Annual Scottish Festival in Kansas City. The festival began with a traditional ceilidh on Friday night, then continued Saturday with a clan parade, games, clan row, sheepdog demonstrations, pipe band and dance competitions, and a family-friendly kids' area. It was very impressive and we had a lot of fun. The special kids area had wee versions of the tossing the caber, etc. They also gave each child a "passport" to the Clans with a space for each Clan to place a message, stamp, or signature to indicate that the child had visited their respective tent. Since they had alerted us prior to the games that this would happen, I made up a sheet of stickers of the buckle, (Avery makes a sheet of round labels that can be run through a printer). I have a master stored as a Word Document so if anyone would like a copy, let me know and I can send via E-mail. I also picked up a blank passport to see if I can get the folks that run the games here in (Colorado) to do something similar and I would be glad to make copies for anyone. [Fiona]

We three sisters along with the Kansas Turnbull, Ron, Iris and daughter Melanie hosted the Turnbull tent, with plenty of TCA information, history and books, with tartan sample filling the tables. Much of the tent display was arranged based on the tips and treasures given by the late Dorothy Turnbull Berk.

The littlest Turnbull present was Jordan Magrecki, dubbed the princess of the games by many of the surrounding clans. Princess Jordan collected stamps from all the clan booths in her passport booklet, and as children visited the Turnbull tent, Jordan helped affix Turnbull crest stickers to their passports.

Despite the summer heat, the Turnbolls in attendance celebrated the Turnbull tent debut in a festive nature and deemed the gathering a successful venture in broadcasting TCA presence in the Midwest.

Turnbull clan tent at Kansas City photo album can be found online at:

<http://homepage.mac.com/hturnbull/PhotoAlbum.html>

Cheers, Fiona, Helen and Rowena Turnbull  
Estes Park, Colorado

### Recycling Memories

By Joyce M. Tice

The Bible of Isaac Trumble (Trumbull) c.1808-1849 of Tioga County Pennsylvania, was obtained in 1994 from Marty Wade of Monroe, Michigan.

Her father, a lover of old books employed by a paper company in the Detroit area, rescued the ancient volume from a consignment about to be pulped and recycled into corrugated carton. There is no known connection between Isaac and any Michigan Trumble families nor is it known how the Bible might have gotten to Michigan. The Bible contains valuable genealogical information about a little known branch of the family. The inscriptions on the flyleaf might be interpreted to mean that Isaac Trumble's Bible was passed to his daughter Sarah and then in turn to Sarah's niece, Anna Young, who may have lived in Midland, Michigan.

There was a small piece of needlepoint inserted in the well worn leather bound Bible, in ink on the flyleaf is written "Isaac Trumble's Book May the 5<sup>th</sup> 1830, in faint pencil by child hand, Mis Anna Young Midland.

### A June Wedding

By Gail Turnbull Bell

#### Clint David Bell and Kalo Lynn Wurtz

It didn't rain on our sons wedding that took place at 3 PM Saturday June 9<sup>th</sup> 2001, in Paola, Kansas. My parents David E. and Betty Turnbull were in attendances from Ft. Worth, Texas, along with my sister Lisa Turnbull-Oliva from Leawood, Kansas.

The piper for the service was Rick Smith from Kansas City and he was great. The wedding was held in the beautiful 100 year old Presbyterian Church here in Paola. We had Rick pipe in at the end of the ceremony and join the new couple and minister down front and then minister announced to everyone that Mr. & Mrs. Bell would like to have everyone join them downstairs for a reception and to follow the piper. Naturally, he played a lively march and we all felt as if we were in a Jane Austin PBS movie as we followed the bride and groom out of the church and around to the side door. Anytime we needed to go somewhere such as back to the front lawn to take pictures, Rick piped us there, stayed and played. Neighbors were coming out on their porches to hear the music. After the reception there was an outdoor Barbecue and of course the bridal couple were toasted with Turnbull wine. Pictures top next column.



### Caricature and Message

This was sent to me by a member, I have no idea what newspaper it originally appeared in, or from where. I assume it is from Australia from the reference to Sydney. The type is missing at the bottom and blurred in places but I think you get the gist of what was done here. Smile and enjoy....

### Last minute announcements

First: President John has instructed me to tell you that Gaelic House located at 84 Union Ave, Laconia, NH is no longer a recommended Vendor. There have been some problems with obtain the products that were ordered and paid for.

Secondly: Corey Turnbull is handing his personal web site over into the care of Sandy Turnbull in Australia, so that he can devote all his time to building the Clan Official site.

We want to wish both a very big **Thank You** for all the time and effort that goes into maintaining the web sites. To Corey wishes for a great Clan website. Coming soon to the nearest computer in your house. The Turnbull Clan website!!!!

Third: Frank Timoney, Piper, will be at the Loom Mountain Highland Games. He will pipe the Turnbull Clan Flag and members onto the field at the gathering of the Clans. Our President John G. says he is taking his pipes along as well. Hope some of you will try to attend.

Fourth: Starting in September a new paper for your interest. Clanprints will be about individual persons and places from all times and locations. If you have an interesting story about a person in your family, or have visited a Turnbull site, send it in...Clanprints will be published regularly in 2002 on the months of January, March, July and September. Leaving the months of May and November for smaller issues of the Historical Review, which will start as of 2002.

### Trivia answers

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| 1. Sterling Park near the Castle | 2. Bedrule    | 3. Minto   |
| 4. hot trot                      | 5. East march | 6. Arizona |