



THE BULLSEYE

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Remembrances

September 11, 2001

Flowers in the Forest

Please take a few moment of time to remember those who have been lost in the horrific attack on our country.

Announcements:

The annual Clan meeting at Stone Mountain is still on, and for those who were unable to attend in Loon Mountain due to the grounded airlines, might think about attending Stone Mountain in Atlanta, Georgia.

My apology to Sandy Turnbull our new web master, first I referred to Sandy as a female, which he assures me is not true, then I misprinted the web site address... so I stand corrected with a smile, and give you the correct web address <http://members.optushome.com.au/aussiebulls>. Sorry Sandy!

During the past months everyone on any address/ mailing lists that was passed on at the change in officers, at the start of the fiscal year 2001, has been given benefit of doubt on paid up dues and membership. It was unclear who had paid and who had not, therefore, the new officials decided that everyone of you on the lists would receive the announcements and newsletters.

With the new fiscal year 2002 just around the corner, the decision to make this announcement now was felt to be to your benefit, as it will give you several months to decide if you are going to be a member of the TAC or not.

Starting in January of 2002, only those who have paid dues for 2002 will be receiving the Bullseye and the Clan Prints. This is only fair to those who have paid dues regularly, as the budget for the Bullseye has taken a pretty large chunk out of the overall finances of the Clan bank account. Bullseye and the other items covered in my department have already spent \$532.94, (out of my forecasted budget of \$800.00), this does not include the issue of Clan Prints recently mailed out nor does it cover the printing of October or December Bullseye.

What does this mean to you; well, if 50 (fifty) of you paid dues in year 2001, I have, in my department alone, spent half of the dues revenue for 2001. There are other departments, Archives, Genealogy, Game Tents, general funds for advertisement and official mailings, Treasury/Accounting/ Bank fees, who have budgets and expenses as well.

This is why the courtesy to those who are not paying dues must come to a halt. I do hope that everyone of you on my mailing lists will come into the Clan folds, but that of course is your decision. The official fiscal year starts January 1, 2002. Your renewal /new application is at the back of the this issue of Bullseye. Anyone who sends dues money now will automatically be paid until 12-31-2002.

I noted on the Scottish games web site that new games for 2002 are already being posted, I also found that there is a calendar which can be printed out. My thoughts on this is; that if your are interested in the Games, and want a calendar, you could send me a self addressed stamped business envelope and I will send you the calendar..

In this way, instead of the Game listings taken up ½ to ¾ of a Bullseye page, that space can be devoted to something of more interest to everyone. Let me know your thoughts on this. Yes, the Games that hold the Annual Clan Member meetings would go in the Bullseye.

Highland Games at Enumclaw, Washington By Bill Trimble

July has been a busy month for the Pacific Northwest Region. On July 14th, Pat and I traveled down to Athena, Oregon to see the Caledonia Games held in that town. We had a good time and had a nice visit with Dale Hilding who was hosting the Turnbull tent and gave him a Turnbull Sept Board that I had made. While there, we met Jim Trimble and his family and discussed the history of the Turnbull Clan and some of their exploits over the centuries.



Bill Trimble (left) & Dale Hilding At Athena, Oregon

The following weekend we went up to Prosser, Washington to visit the Prosser Scottish Festival. Not much going there but it was their first year.



Desert Thistle Pipe Band at Prosser, Washington

The weekend of July 28 & 29 we were in Enumclaw, Washington for the Seattle Scottish Highland Games. I had just gotten my kilt and accessories assembled (a three year effort). The plan was that brother Kim and I would be in kilts as we represented the Turnbull Clan at our tent. However, as it happened, Kim

managed to drop 18 sheets of drywall on his legs the weekend before. After hobbling around for 6 days he finally decided to see a doctor. His right fibula was broken. Although this curtailed our plans he was able to attend with the use of crutches and a borrowed wheel chair.



(Left to Right) Evangalynn Lenz, Kim Trimble (in chair), Kathy Chase,
Ginny Trimble, Bill Trimble

We had many visitors at our tent and gave out several clan brochures and membership applications. The family was able to watch the dance, Celtic Kennel dog, and pipe and drum (individual and band) competitions along with the traditional Scottish game competitions.



Some of the clan tents

We visited most of the 75-clan tents and watched several musical groups. The opening ceremonies are quite spectacular and include a massing of the bands (18 pipe and drum bands playing "Scotland the Brave" as one entity will bring a tear to your eyes) and a parade of the clans.

After returning home, we have become busy with the planning for the 1st annual Tri-City Scottish Highland Games to be held, May 3 & 4 2002

Survey report for 2001

Revised September 1, 2001

Survey returns 43 out of 189

Adult Males: over 80= 4 70-79 = 7 60-69 = 8 50-59 =11 under 49 =3

Adult Females: over 70 =4 60-69= 6 under 50 = 3 46 total responses, most male members left off spouses.

Comment: We have 19 members in the returns over the age of 60. We need to encourage younger members, somehow.. The adults children of members need to be asked if they are interested in joining.

Children: most are adults over 18, have 6 minor children with parent request for Children's Newsletter. 18 plus = Still at home = 3 in college, and 4 grandchildren living with the members.

Years as member: over 20yrs = 9 15-20 yrs. = 9 0- 14 yrs = 19 new members paid dues =5, 11 new requests for membership= 6 no return

Comments: Most children are adults, some are already members.

Information on membership obtained from: Dorothy Berk =8, family member =9, games =3, mail or magazine =11, Myra Turnbull=2, web site = 3, can't remember = 4, Jimmie Bowman= 1

Comments: varied sources, no one in particular, no recommendation for best resource for new members.

Genealogy interest:

Researched their history: 32 Yes, 6 No, 5 no reply or blank

Want the Archives: 38 Yes, 1 No, 4 no reply or blank

Contribute to Archives: 22 Yes, 5 with ??, 4 No, 12 No reply or blank

Help with the Archives: 4 yes, 6 maybe's, 3 possible, 6 No, 2 unable to help, 20 No reply or blank

Any special skills to help: 3 in some fashion, 3 no skills, 7 No, 30 no reply or blank

Comments: Interested in their own family history, would like an Archives established, but not willing to work on it themselves, most likely due to work schedules. Genealogical committee will be greatly accepted once they know more about it.

Web site activity:

E-mail or web site: 10 have E-mail, 10 don't, and 21 no replies. 3 with web sites

forego a written Bullseye for web site news: 5 Yes, 4 No, 31 no reply

Comment: think that most would prefer to receive the Papers in the mail, more personal to them.

Newsletter/ Historical Review..Both: 6 Yes, 1 No, 23 No reply, Blank 11

Quarterly Newsletter: 12 Yes, 1 No, 17 no reply, 10 blank

Historical Review annually 13 Yes, 3 No, 14 no reply, 10 blank

Historical Review semiannual 1 yes 29 no reply, 11 blank

Help with the newsletter/ Historical Review: 13 yes, 4 No, 13 no reply, 11 blank

Would help: 1 Editor, 4 photography, 5 in research, 3 writers, [I have written notes to these persons asking them to please be more specific in what they would like to do to help.]* no replies to my notes.

Share expense on the Historical Review: 13 yes, 2 No, 15 no replies, 11 blank, but a few did put \$ figure amounts in the box, for a total of 22, That ranged from \$2.50- \$25.00 and most who replied said, by subscription, or "what ever it takes".

Comment: those interested in the Review are willing to pay a fair price and would want to be notified that it is coming out, when and the cost, for their options to purchase or not.

Recommendation: Smaller issues of the Review, done twice a year, expense covered by TCA.

On the Games: 17 have attended, 20 do assist or host already, or would like to see tents at the games, 10 would help, 13 no, most due to travel distance, health, or age, some no replies...

Comment: Most are not interested in social aspect, those who are are heavily involved.

Final thoughts: disappointing return, out of 189 sent out, 12 were returned not deliverable, 2 remailed, 41 survey's were returned...leaves 136 ignored... This report will go in the October Bullseye.

Final comments: The survey did not accomplish what was needed...Many were sent to old membership list names, that I do not think will return to Clan member status.

Recommendation: that the next survey be more specific, done by committee of the membership, and it needs to be done in 2003 before the election.

Biggest problem at present: the membership still is not fully comfortable with the new leadership, after all the turbulence, that confidence and trust has to be reestablished, an open communication exchange of ideas and complaints..All communications answered promptly and personally by the every Officials.

Submitted by Membership Secretary,
Janet Turnbull Schwierking

25. The photo at heading on page 1, is Bruce's Heart, Melrose Abbey, Scotland.

Grandfather Mountain Highland Games
Linville, NC July 12-15, 2001

By: Sarah Turnbull Snow

The four days at GMHG, now being called "America's Braemar," were some of the best in recent memory - sunny, light breeze, highs in the 70s, lows in the upper 40s. The Turnbull Clan was represented by Claude Snow at the Calling of the Clans torchlight ceremony on Thursday night. Friday morning's tent set-up was accomplished by Claude and Sarah Turnbull Snow; TCA Treasurer James Trumble and friends, Warren and Sherri Connelly; and TCA Southeast VP Scott Trimble and wife, Tenna. Much of the tent material has recently been re-worked or added. James Trumble had the banner replaced as well as re-made the Turnbull Families and Tartans display. Claude & Sarah Turnbull Snow donated two framed montages of Turnbull pictures from Scotland, including Turnbull relics at Abbotsford House, Jedburgh Abbey, Melrose Abbey, and Bedrule Church. Scott and Tenna Trimble donated wooden, laquered Turnbull and Scotland shields handmade by Scott's father, Nelson Trimble. Many tent visitors commented on how impressive was our display.

We were next to Clan Douglas this year, and spent the three days telling all visitors how we still supported each other after 700 years of mutual Scottish history. Saturday was the peak day of activities with over 50,000 attendees that day alone, visiting 115 clan and Scottish association tents, and participating in Scottish heavy athletics, dancing, piping, fiddling, kilned track and field, and other events. In addition to the Turnbolls mentioned earlier, other Turnbolls attending including father and son, Dennis and Sebastian Hagerman, and family; Sally Turnbull Dupuis and friend, George Dyer; and Andrew Turnbull. Notably missing this year were John and Netta Turnbull and their daughter, Nina Turnbull. John and Netta were in Scotland for a six week holiday visiting family and friends. Many folks from other clans stopped by to inquire about John and Netta and wish them well. The annual Saturday night Turnbull Clan dinner was well attended, hosted by James Trumble at his Sugar Mountain condo, and featuring plenty of Turnbull wine along with a wonderful Indian curry made by Warren Connelly.

On Sunday, Dorothy Turnbull Berk was remembered during the Flowers of the Forest. Clan Turnbull had seven kilned participants with flags and banners in the Parade of Tartans - a striking contrast from the many years when John Turnbull walked alone. Thanks to John Turnbull's many years of sacrifice and vigil, we now have a strong and admired presence at the Grandfather Mountain games. Of special note was a comment made by a GMHG official. In speaking to the smaller clans, GMHG now cites Clan Turnbull as representative of what a small clan can do over many years of continuous attendance to create a loyal following and high profile recognition among all clans.