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#### Steve Turnbull and the Catamount Pipe Band



Steve Turnbull bass drum contest Loon Mt

The Catamount Pipe Band was formed four years ago in Oct, 2000. In 2002 playing as a Grade V band they were ranked third out of 70 or so in the EUSPBA (Eastern US Pipe Band Assoc.) and so were then moved up to a Grade IV.

At NHHG this year they came in FIRST in Grade IV. They have a chance of moving up to a Grade III but do not know if they will ask for it. If told to be in Grade III, they will have no choice. If they request to move up to a Grade III, their history in the six competitions they did this year will be checked out.

Steve Turnbull is the bass drummer for Grade IV. He competed as a soloist against two other bass drummers this year in competition at NHHG and came in FIRST. He is age 56, though he says he thinks he is 19 (well, in his mind anyway.)

The band's ensemble score in the Grade IV competition was judged FIRST. The ensemble score is the bass drum, tenor drums, and how everything sounds with the snares and pipes. This is where the Midsection (bass and tenors) reveives some recognition and helps or hinders in the scoring of the pipe band. Their goal as a band is to go to Scotland in August of 2006 and compete in the Worlds.

The rankings for the Catamount Pipe Band are listed at <a href="https://www.euspba.org">www.euspba.org</a>. Click on Results, insert year

2004, and scroll down for Grade IV, Grade V and keep scrolling down to Bass Drum Amateur. In the Grade IV, you will see that they have 17 points which does not include the Games in Altamont, NY on Labor Day Saturday where they came in Fourth out of Eight, or the NHHG where they came in First out of Four.

They are the highest ranked in the Northeast, fifth overall in the whole east and south as you can see. The higher you go from IV, III, II, I the fewer the bands. There are only three Grade I bands in the USA.

They have a band website which is <a href="https://www.catamountpipeband.org">www.catamountpipeband.org</a>. If you click on <a href="https://www.catamountpipeband.org">Photos</a> you will see some photos of the band including the one of Steve doing bass drum solos at Loon Mtn. two years ago, shown proceeding this article.

Steve is also learning the bagpipes from the Pipe Major of the band and he is learning (or relearning) the fiddle and playing Scottish tunes and Cape Breton tunes on a violin his grandfather actually made in 1932. He passed away before Steve was born. So it is of extra sentimental value to him. He is a member of the St. Andrews Society of Vermont along with his wife, Melinda, and is the Archivist, and a Board Member. Steve, of course, is a member of the Turnbull Clan Association and proud of it.

# Who are we? John Grason Turnbull (1909- 1984)

This is the obituary for Judge Turnbull that



Judge Furnbull that appeared in The Baltimore Sun, 2 April 1984:

John Turnbull, former judge, dies Services for retired Judge John Grason Turnbull, who served on the Baltimore County Circuit Court for 16 years, will be held at

11 am. Wednesday at Immanuel Episcopal Church in Glencoe. Mr. Turnbull, who was 75, died Saturday after a heart attack at his home, Black Acre, on Belfast road in Sparks. He just had returned from a two month trip to Florida.

He was named to the bench in 1960 by Governor J. Millard Tawes after serving as Baltimore county state's attorney and as a member of both the House of Delegates and the state Senate.

During his career, the judge was involved in a number of controversial cases and once made news by refusing to hear cases presented by a bearded, long-haired assistant state's attorney.

Mr. Turnbull steadfastly refused to comment on newspaper articles, once telling a reporter that "one of the Immutable laws of the universe was that "Turnbull does not comment on newspapers."

When he retired in 1976 Mr. Turnbull was described by Judge John E. Raine, Jr., then chief judge of the county Circuit Court, as "hardworking, certainly controversial on occasion, but a great man."

Another admirer spoke of his forthrightness, saying, "No one ever had to question where Judge Turnbull stood."

Before becoming a jurist, Mr. Turnbull served as Democratic floor leader and chairman of the Finance Committee in the Senate. He and his counterpart In the House of Delegates, A. Gordon Boone, who also was a law partner of Mr. Turnbull's, achieved a reputation for restricting the spending of the Republican administration of Governor Theodore H. McKeldin.

Mr. Turnbull was born In Towson and lived in the county for all of his life except for a short period as a young man.

A 1925 graduate of McDonogh School, he attended the Johns Hopkins University before graduating from the University of Maryland law school in 1932.

From 1928 to 1932 be served as bailiff to Samuel K. Dennis, chief judge of the city's Supreme Bench.

When he retired, he credited Judge Dennis with filling him with the spirit of public service. "He taught me that a public servant must be courageous and do as he thinks right despite criticisms and 'the slings and arrows' directed at him," Mr. Turnbull said.

In 1932 he began practicing law in Towson, and he served as deputy state's attorney from 1939 until 1943.

In 1943 he became a member of the House of Delegates, only to resign to serve in the Army during World War II. He entered the service as a private but achieved the rank of captain in the Judge Advocate General's Corps by the time he left in 1946.

After returning to Towson, Mr. Turnbull was elected state's attorney and kept the post for two years until he was appointed to fill a vacancy in the state Senate. He served in the Senate until 1958, when he declined to run for another term.

After the war he also became a partner in the Towson law firm of Turnbull, Brewster, Boone, Maguire and Brennan. In addition to Mr. Turnbull and Mr. Boone, all of the partners were active in Democratic politics.

In 1956 Mr. Turnbull managed Adlai E. Stevenson's presidential campaign in Maryland.

Judge Turnbull also served on the vestry of Immanuel Episcopal Church.

In 1942 he married the former Esther E. DeArman, who died in 1974.

Mr. Turnbull is survived by his wife, the former Mary Katherine Hance, whom he married in 1977; a son, John Grason Turnbull II, of Sparks; a sister, Ellen T Lynch of Sparks, and two grandchildren.

Editor's note: John Grason Turnbull II is currently the Circuit Administrative Judge for the Circuit Court of Baltimore County. Following the family tradition, his son, John Grason Turnbull III and his daughter, Katherine Turnbull Sampson are both practicing law in Towson.

It is also noted that John Grason Turnbull's mother, Elizabeth Risteau Grason, is a direct descendant of William Grason, who was the first popularly elected governor of Maryland in 1838.

# William Trimble Saxophone Soloist / Clinician

William Trimble has been pioneering the cause of saxophone in concert and new music for over forty years He is currently Professor Saxophone at San Jose State University and has held similar positions the at University of California. Santa



Cruz and California State University, Hayward.

He continues to be in demand as saxophonist on call with the San Francisco Symphony, the San Francisco Ballet Orchestra, the San Francisco Opera Orchestra, the Symphony Silicon Halley, the Santa Cruz Symphony, and most of the major orchestras in northern California. He has also appeared with the Kirov Ballet Orchestra, the Suisse Romande Orchestra and the London Ballet Symphony Orchestra. Mr. Trimble is a member of the New Music Works Ensemble of Santa Cruz. He has also been a member of the Cabrillo Festival and Bear Valley Festival Orchestras.

He has appeared as soloist with the Oakland Symphony Orchestra, the San Jose Symphony, the San Jose Chamber Orchestra, the Bear Valley Festival Orchestra, the Rhonert Park Chamber Orchestra, the Fremont Symphony Orchestra, the Prometheus Symphony Orchestra, the Nova Vista Symphony Orchestra, the Santa Cruz Symphony and many others. Several works are dedicated to him by composers including Lou Harrison, R. Strange, Henry Mollicone, Daniel Wyman, Manly Romero, Michael Touchi, Daniel Lentz, Manly Romero and Carl Anton Wirth.

He is an active recitalist, clinician, touring and recording artist both here and abroad. During his long and distinguished career, Mr. Trimble has established himself as one of the leading classical and avant garde saxophonists in the world. He has a continuing interest in free improvisation and music dealing with cutting edge technology. He has been featured on CNN FUTURE WATCH, and the Science Fiction Network's THE NEW EDGE.

Primarily self taught, Mr. Trimble was influenced by such diverse saxophonists as Sigurd Rascher, Paul Desmond,

Vincent Abato, Charlie Parker, Marcel Mule, Cannonball Adderly, Ornette Coleman, John Coltrane and Johnny Hodges.

His two latest CD's, EXPLORATIONS and DUO FOR SAHOPHONE AND COMPOSER (with composer, Daniel Wyman) are available on <a href="https://www.gnorble.com">www.gnorble.com</a>. He can also be heard on several other recordings including VELOCITY STUDIES IV: FLUTTER by Allan Strange (on the Society of Composers, Inc. CD, on Capstone Records), A CORNISH LANCERAN by Lou Harrison (on the Musical Heritage Society label) and TANGO BAROCCO by Michael Touchi on the recently released CD, MIKEY with the San Jose Chamber Orchestra.

#### **Sample Reviews:**

"The Pavorotti of the saxophone," S.F. Examiner.

"The Dean of Bay Area saxophonists," San Jose Mercury.

"Trimble played up a storm, transforming the very personality of the orchestra with his flamboyance," Monterey Tribune.

"William Trimble, whose starring role was lascivious enough to warrent an "X" rating," San Jose Mercury.

#### **Birth Announcement**

Bill and Pat Trimble are pleased to announce that on the afternoon of October 21, 2004, their youngest daughter, Robyn, gave birth to their new grandsons; Kasey Hunter Drettwan was born at 4:46 pm pst and weighed 4 lbs. 6 oz. and was 17 in. long. Dylan Alexander was born a minute later and weighed 4 lbs. 7.5 oz. and was 16.5 in. long. They were approximately 2 months premature but are doing well.





In the article "What Happened to the Clans", October issue of Bullseye, the word tanistry was used, and several of our membership have asked for a definition.

**Word definition:** Tanistry... Anciently, a Celtic system of chieftainship, and life-tenure, especially in Ireland, by which the headship of the sept or clan, while modified by the claims of birth, was decided by election in the lifetime of the chief: tanist is the noun.

# Happy Birthday

Joan Sjostrom, Robert Starke, Max Bozman, Brigitte Hagerman, Mark J. Turnbull, Carol Williams, Rev. Bob Turnbull, Barbara Turnbull, Anthony R. Turnbull, Nancy Turnbull, Donna Brown, Thomas T. Brown.

#### Please Welcome Our New Members:

Helen Divoll, Alice Foy, Claudia Trimble, Andrew Turnbull, John Turnbull, Shauna Turnbull, Heather Turnbull, Alice Morgan, James Rule, John Rule, Donald M. Turnbull, Gail Turnbull, Margaret T. Jones, Donald W. Turnbull, Sandie Turnbull, Barbara Williams, Nancy Mykel, Tim Jennings, Kenneth W. Turnbull, and Anzi Collins. Welcome to TCA.....

## Clan Prints in History

Ann Rule, writer and author of real life mysteries.

**J. Maurice Turnbull,** Socialist candidate for the New York State Assembly 1919.

**Charles W. Trombly,** Essex County Mass. Alternate delegate to Democratic National Convention 1966,

**C.E. Trimble,** candidate for US representative from Kentucky, 1932.

**Benjamin F. Turnbull,** Texas 11<sup>th</sup> Calvary, Company A (1861-1865)

**Williford Turnbow,** Alabama Militia 4<sup>th</sup> volunteers, Company C. (1861-1865)

Colin Turnbull, naturalist, writer and author

#### **Outback Scottish Surf Carnival**

Kynuna is a small town in the middle of nowhere in the Queensland, Australian outback. Soft enchanting tones of bagpipes are heard drifting over the sand dunes. How can that be?

The event is the Surf Carnival, but the nearest beach is 600 KM away. This is the most unusual carnival on earth. It was started in 1960; it is where there are no beaches, only drought stricken lands where there is never a drop of rain. Why you ask yourself would they do this?

Held each year in April, the visitor flock to the area in their cars, caravans, trucks, motor homes and buses.

There is only one roadhouse and a few homes in Kynuna that is 166 km from Winton, (which Dawn Day has been telling us about).

The Blue Heeler roadhouse is the only watering

hole around and although there is not much water, the next best thing is the local beer. The bizarre surf carnival has 2 pipers who lead the



parade and play during the events such as a hay bale relay, sandbag relay, surfboard relay and a boat rescue, all taking place on a gravel road or the nearby sand dunes of the outback.

When asked why they do this it was said that this wonderfully strange get together is to raise money for the "Flying Doctors" service, which is the only medical service to the outback and its people.

[Excerpts from Scottish Banner newspaper, June 2004]

## Bylaws Referendum Almost Unanimous

We are pleased to announce that the referendum on the changes to the TCA bylaws have passed by an almost unanimous 99.1% margin. The bylaws are important because they are not only a governing guide for TCA but they help focus our association's priorities. The changes to the bylaws define some previously ambiguous areas and make it easier for TCA to be an international association.

Congratulations to all who participated in this project to help make our association better.

All members on the rolls at the time of the referendum received a printed copy of the new bylaws. Additionally, the full text of the bylaws is available in the members-only section of the TCA website at:

http://www.turnbullclan.com/members/TCA%20 Bylaws%20Oct%202004.pdf



Two robbers broke into a Glasgow lodging house. Once they were inside, a tremendous fight ensued. Bruised and bleeding, they finally emerged by the back window." We didnae do so bad," said one. "We came oot wi' twenty pounds." "Aye," said the other. "But we went in wi' fifty."