

Turnbull Virtual Museum Launched

TCA members now have a place to view items of interest to the Turnbull clan. A Turnbull Virtual Museum has been established for the purpose of recording and sharing objects of interest to Turnbolls from all parts of the world. While TCA cannot, at least for the present, have an actual museum, it can do the next best thing and share these articles through a virtual museum.

Items of interest include anything related to Turnbull past and present. The museum consists of photographs of these articles with a description containing as much information as can be gathered about each item.

Articles that have an historical interest but that do not relate to Turnbull history will not be included at this time. Anything interesting from Turnbull, Rule, Trumbull, Trimble, or any of the other septs of Turnbull will be included. Items already in the museum include crystal and glass objects, patents for inventions by Turnbolls, paintings, and whisky labels and other labels.



John Trumbull's painting depicting the signing of the United States Declaration of Independence.

The famous artist, John Trumbull, who was often called the Artist of the Revolution, once wrote to Thomas Jefferson, "The greatest motive I had or have for engaging in or for continuing my pursuit of painting has been the wish of commemorating the great events of our country's Revolution." His painting of the signing of the Declaration of Independence now resides in the Capitol Building in Washington, DC.

THE NEW SCOTTISH REGIMENT

by John G. Turnbull

When I was in Scotland last year, I heard some discussion about the Scottish Regiments being merged. Indeed the day I revisited Edinburgh Castle, the Colonels of all of the Scottish Regiments were meeting to discuss their forced merger by the Government. In Scotland there are war memorials all over the place, and the name Turnbull came up many times, especially in Glasgow and the Lowlands, listing the name of the Turnbull who had died and the regiment or the Service in which he served and died.

Getting the latest news from Scotland has not been easy, however a recent letter from Scotland posted in the DUBH GHLASE the publication of the Clan Douglas Society has given an update on the recent developments. Part of this re-organization is part of the Labor (Labour) Government's continued re-structuring of the Armed Services of Great Britain, and reflects the more technological aspects of modern warfare, where there is less reliance on the BPI (Poor Bloody Infantry).

The government has decided that the 6 Scottish Regiments are to be formed into **THE ROYAL REGIMENT OF SCOTLAND**, hereafter indicated as **RRS**.

Editor's note: We are featuring the history of Second Battalion RRS. For the complete article containing the history of all six of the regiments go to http://www.turnbullclan.com/features/new_scottish_regiment.htm

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Above right, the green Saltburn bottle is a rare specimen of an old half pint beer bottle. It bears the name J. Turnbull on the front and has the initials JT on the bottom of the bottle. Above left, is a Stone Ginger Beer bottle that bears the stamp "Ducham, Portobello, Edinburgh."

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From the President

by Wally Turnbull

This past year was certainly traumatic for the world. Yet, despite tsunamis, hurricanes, earthquakes, tornadoes, floods, and countless personal problems the Turnbull Clan is strong and looking forward to a better 2006.



Notwithstanding our difficulties and in some cases because of them we have grown closer this past year. We have seen an increase in TCA membership numbers as well as participation. The Bullpen has taken root and is growing steadily with many members indicating a willingness to share with others. TCA's genealogy records have increased dramatically and are now much easier to research. The Turnbull Who's Who has been established and is growing. Our archives are now available to the public and to future generations through the Odom Library. We established an on-line resource library and source of materials for existing and prospective tent hosts. Now, we have begun to realize a long time dream of a virtual Turnbull museum. All in all, it has been a good year for the Turnbull Clan Association, regardless of the many problems around us.

Note that each of these programs represents a step in the growth of our association not a final achievement. We must continue to develop these resources and others with our participation and recruitment to better serve the heritage of our ancestors, each other, and our descendants.

Sharing and Caring

Your thoughts and prayers would be greatly appreciated for Myra Turnbull, wife of TCA founder John Turnbull, Hawick, Scotland, as she recovers from surgery.

Please send any requests or messages for Sharing and Caring to editor@turnbullclan.com

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Meet the Member

Katherine Turnbull Sampson is the daughter of John Grason Turnbull, II and is married to Adam Sampson. They live in Parkton, which is located in northern Baltimore County, Maryland. They have been married for 5 years and are both practicing lawyers.

Katherine grew up on her father's farm, which was his father's farm before that. Her grandfather, John Grason Turnbull, named the farm Blackacre - he was, among many other things, a judge in Baltimore County. Then he gifted the majority of the farm to her father (who has been a judge since 1986 in Baltimore County) and her mother upon their marriage and they called it Blackmeadows Farm. So she grew up on Blackmeadows Farm in Baltimore County, and graduated from Garrison Forest School in Owings Mills, Maryland.



Adam with son Rutherford, "Ruddy"

Adam and Katherine met while both in law school in 1997. They both attended the University of Baltimore School of Law, and they also both served as law clerks for judges on the Baltimore County Circuit Court before practicing law. In what little free time he has, Adam likes to hunt - game or waterfowl depending upon the time of year.

Katherine says that she doesn't have a lot of time for any hobbies as all her time is spent with their seven month old son, Rutherford Turnbull Sampson (named after her great grandfather, Henry Rutherford Turnbull).

Ruddy, as he is nicknamed, is pictured here at about 6 months old. As you can see, the name certainly suits his complexion and hair!

He is now seven and a half months old, and doing very well!



Katherine's parents (Anne and John Turnbull) live very close by and are very very close with grandson Ruddy.

Regarding her ancestry, in the Grason/Turnbull line, Katherine is the 6th straight generation of her family to practice law in Baltimore County. (So she says there is absolutely no pressure on Ruddy!!) And just an interesting note - Ruddy and she both fall under the sign Taurus (the Bull) - how appropriate!

SCOTTISH REGIMENT

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The Second Battalion will be known as The Royal Highland Fusiliers, 2nd Battalion RRS. This Regiment was a result of the merger of the Highland Light Infantry (City of Glasgow Regiment) and the Royal Scots Fusiliers, in 1959 to form The Royal Highland Fusiliers.



The Royal Scots Fusiliers (21st of Foot) were originally raised as the Earl of Mar's Regiment in 1678 and their purpose was to counter the resistance of the Covenanters to the imposition of the Episcopal Church in Scotland, and their history spans the wars in Europe and rebellions in Scotland including Culloden.

The Highland Light Infantry (71st and 74th of Foot) was formed in 1881 by a merger of the 71st Highland Light Infantry and the 74th Highlanders.

The 71st formed in 1777, by John Mackenzie as the 73rd of foot and later were re-numbered the 71st. A second battalion was raised in 1787 by George Mackenzie.

The 74th Highland Regiment was formed in 1787 by Major General Archibald Campbell in 1787. Of course this Regiment came from the Campbell lands in Argyle.

The 71st and 74th of Foot were merged in 1881 to form the Highland Light Infantry, and because they did a lot of recruiting in Glasgow they were also known as the City of Glasgow Regiment (made official in 1923). It was in this Regiment that James Y. Turnbull won his Victoria Cross posthumously in 1916 during WWI.

"Although his party was wiped out and replaced several times, Sergeant Turnbull never wavered in his determination to hold the post, the loss of which would have been very serious. Almost single-handed he maintained his position, and displayed the highest degree of valour and skill. Later in the day this very gallant soldier was killed while bombing a counter-attack from the parados of our trench." From the Victoria Cross notations



The Royal Scots Fusiliers and the Highland Light Infantry merged in 1959 to form the Royal Highland Fusiliers. What I find interesting is that here is an example of a Highland and a Lowland merging, but my recollection is that it was more of an absorption of the Royal Scots Fusiliers by the Highland Light Infantry.

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Ginger Beer, popular in the 18th and 19th centuries, was sold in stoneware bottles hand thrown by potters to each bottler's specifications with his name, city and sometimes a date stenciled into the glaze.

Pictured below is a celery vase produced by Matthew Turnbull in 1893 at the Cornhill Flint Glassworks at Southwick, Sunderland, England. The registration number indicates that it was made October 4, 1893. It has a beautiful thumbprint design.



The Virtual Museum may be viewed at www.turnbullclan.com. The museum needs your help to succeed. The Virtual Museum can only grow with your help. Many of the items in the museum at this time have very little description as not much is known about them. Look at the items and if you have any additional information about any of them, please send this information to webmaster@turnbullclan.com.

The second way you can help is to send us information about any interesting Turnbull objects that you might have. Send photographs or high resolution scans of the item, along with a description of the object, its approximate date if known, and any other interesting information you might have about it, including how it came into your possession. Please do not send the actual item, as we cannot be responsible for its safety. Photographs will be returned upon request.

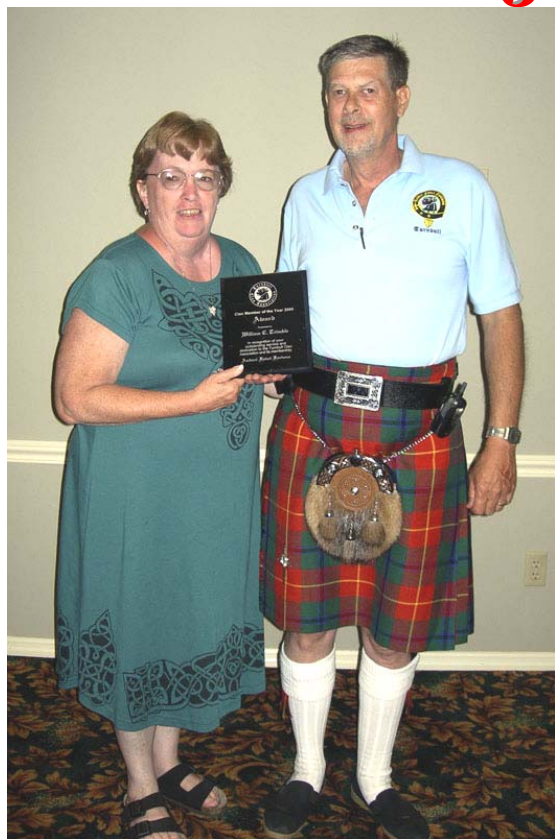
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2005 In Review



Seen above with wife, Pat, Bill Trimble receives 2005 Clan Member of the year award at the AGM in Enumclaw, WA



TCA member Dale Hilding with daughter, Katie, add an authentic flare to the AGM with their 15th century armor and chain mail. Dale's chain mail and hauberk weighed 110 lbs!



TCA history preserved in Odom Library, Moultrie, GA



Turnbull

Hundreds of items bearing Turnbull crest become available to TCA members through www.logodogz.com



TCA loses two founding members. Adele Jeffres, above left, passed away at age 87. Adele was known for her generous spirit and always ready to go attitude. Anna Louise Turnbull, above right, passed away in November after battling Lymphoma. "Lou" was involved in education for over 30 years. Both will be greatly missed.

The Editor would like to extend special thanks to all the TCA members who contributed to the Bullseye by sharing their Turnbull history, events and families with all of us in 2005. Submissions are always welcome to editor@turnbullclan.com



Turnbull kids participate on winning teams of the F.I.R.S.T. Robotics International competition, Atlanta, GA



Turnbull Clan Association

Representing Turnbolls Worldwide

Our members are from the above countries, join us and get your flag flying

In the 21st century our family has spread from its humble beginnings in Bedrule, Scotland to almost every country across the world. We have made our mark countless times in the history books - some good - some bad, but always carrying the pride in our name and where it came from.

TCA Website expands its genealogy collection to over 50,000 records, makes *Rulewater and Its People* available, provides international lists of Highland Game activities, and initiates online membership enrollment. www.turnbullclan.com

UPCOMING GAMES & EVENTS

USA Games – Attend one in your area!

Jan 13-15 Winter Storm Pipes and Drum Concert, Kansas City, MO

Jan 21 Central Florida Scottish Games, Winter Springs, FL

Australia and New Zealand Games– Attend one in your area!

Jan 1 Waipu Highland Games, Waipu, NZ

Fred Logan New Year's Day Scottish Gathering, Nambour, Queensland

Jan 26 Australia Day Celtic Festival, Sydney, Australia

Jan 28 Turakina Highland Games, Turakina, NZ

Successful St. Louis Games

By Keith and Thérèse Turnbull

It was a perfect fall evening for the Calling of the Clans. Keith was on his own this year (as Thérèse and Iain were at home doing the 6 month old baby thing). The turnout was great this year and Keith gave a rousing (albeit abbreviated version) of the Turnbull Clan history. The MacGregors, Gunns, and Gordons were in full support!

Saturday started out clear, but chilly, a perfect air to start the games. As the "baby thing" put Thérèse and Iain on a different schedule than years past, Keith recruited his (very Italian) friend, Jeff, to assist with the set up, running and break down of the Turnbull Tent. The Gordons were hospitable, as usual, with Crispy Cremes and Coffee (spiked if you wished). As Keith and Jeff made their rounds to neighboring Clan tents, Thérèse and Iain were gearing up for a post nap visit. Iain woke up, just in time for Mom to get him to the games in time for the Parade of Clans at noon. Keith coached us into the perfect parking spot via cell phone and had a security golf cart pick us up, stroller and all. We made the Parade of Clans with 2 minutes to spare; Thank Goodness we are Turnbolls, alphabetically at the end of the parade!



Keith and Thérèse proudly walked with the Turnbull Tartan Flag, and Iain with his tartan sash and stuffed "heilin coo" (a gift from the Davisson Clan). He and his cheeks were the hit of the parade. Iain is truly of Scottish blood, as the pipe band, playing just next to him, did not make him flinch in the least.

Iain's day ended with the introduction to and picture with Heather, the highland coo that has become a Turnbull tradition. Keith and Jeff finished off the day with a trip to the Scottish Arms Pub, the newest Scots spot in St. Louis, to revel with the clans and supporters.

Burns Night Celebrated Around the World

Robert Burns, Scotland's most loved poet, was born January 25, 1759 in Alloway, Ayrshire in the south west of Scotland. A few years after his death in 1796, friends began to celebrate his life and pay tribute to him by hosting a Burns Night supper.



This event has become a ritual and

is celebrated by Scots around the world. The ceremony begins when a designated chairman invites the guests to receive the haggis. Haggis is a traditional Scottish dish made with sheep's pluck (heart, liver, windpipe and lungs), minced with onion, oatmeal, suet, spices, and salt, mixed with stock and traditionally boiled in the animal's stomach for several hours.

After this invitation comes the prayer, *Selkirk Grace*, written by Burns:

*Some hae meat and canna eat,
And some wad eat that want it;
But we hae meat and we can eat,
And sae the Lord be thankit.*

The guests are then asked to stand as the haggis is brought into the room preceded by a piper, playing in full traditional Scottish attire. The chairman recites Burns famous prayer *Address To A Haggis*. When he comes to the line "an' cut you up wi' ready slight", he slices open the haggis with a sharp knife. The guests applaud and together with the chairman, toast the haggis with a glass of whisky.

The rest of the supper menu consists of cock-a-leekie soup, tatties and neeps (potatoes and rutabagas), sherry trifle called Topsy Laird, ending with oatcakes and cheese, all being washed down with liberal amounts of good Scotch whisky.

An invited guest is asked to give a short speech about Burns, called the Immortal Memory speech. It may be light hearted or serious, but the aim is to outline the greatness of the poet today.

This is followed by other speeches. The men toast the lassies, originally intended to thank them for preparing the meal. The women return with a speech, usually to humorously point out the weaknesses of men.

Singing and the reading of Burns poetry follows. The evening ends with everyone joining hands and singing Auld Lang Syne, one of Burn's most famous works.

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ICA wishes all of you a very Happy and Blessed New Year
Happy 2006!