

Bull City Hosts 2006 TCA Officers Meeting

The annual TCA officers' meeting was held in Durham, NC, also known as the Bull City. Attending were President Wally Turnbull, Vice-President Brian Turnbull, Treasurer John Turnbull and Secretary Janet Schwierking. The officers reviewed last year's activities and made plans for 2006.

Janet reported that she continues to make progress with adding genealogy data entries to the website, but there are many records yet to be put into the database. If you have family records you would like to add to the database, please ask Janet for the forms for submitting the data. The forms make entry go much faster. Also, if you are interested in volunteering in helping with some of the data entry, please let Janet know.

John gave a financial report and a new budget was discussed and passed (financial report of 2005 and the 2006 budget, page 6).

Some of Existing projects such as the Virtual Museum, Who's Who and Bullpen were discussed. Entries are always welcome for the Virtual Museum. Applications to submit someone for Who's Who are available online at the website. New ideas and possible projects were discussed for the future. It was noted that 2007 will mark the 30th anniversary of TCA! The officers agreed in principle to an international clan gathering and AGM to take place on the Borders in Scotland to celebrate! Watch for more exciting news about this trip!



Wally and Janet look at a map of Scotland and the Borders as they plan for the 2007 trip.

RIDING THE BORDER AT JEDBURGH

By Kim Trimble

In 13th century Scotland, in the area forming the border with England, many neighbors weren't always terribly polite. If someone had something you wanted, you took it. If you had something that someone else wanted, they took it. Be it sheep, song, woman, or castle, it was taken. Of course, you or your neighbor was then compelled to take it back. Or try to. This practice, known as reiving, (the ancient word for robbing), took place between towns, villages and even within clans. When they weren't fighting the English it seems that the Scots were fighting themselves. Reiving could be, and very often was, a very bloody and brutal business. But it was business, a way of life, a necessity in some ways. The people had to survive amidst uncertainty, violence and chaos.

The Turnbulls held an active place among the border reivers. As a matter of fact, the Turnbulls were far from being law abiding citizens. Only two are mentioned to have been connected with the administration of the law; John Turnbull, who was Sheriff of Selkirkshire in 1360, and another Turnbull in 1364 who held the post of Deputy Sheriff. In 1510 King James IV had two hundred Turnbull Clansmen arrested. These men were eventually hanged and many others were imprisoned. King James actions forced many of the Clan to flee, choosing exile over



2005 Callant Allan Lees (photo by John Peters)

prison or death. We must remember today that these clans lived between two constantly warring countries. Things have calmed down since then and today there are a number of law abiding Turnbulls on the Borders.

During this period in Scottish history, with war raging and reiving causing havoc, no one was really in charge of anything, although many folks thought that they were. So if you possessed an item, legally or not, and expected to keep it for any amount of time then you had to protect it. Hence the clan leaders started patrolling their territorial borders to safeguard their properties and families. This is what became known as Border Riding. Today even though they have long since ceased to be essential, border ridings continue in commemoration of local legend, history and tradition. In addition to that, it's fun. (continued on page 6)

From the President

by Wally Turnbull

Last month I mentioned that I don't care for most television commercials. Well, the same goes for musicals. I enjoy good theatre and good dialogue but the lyrics often seem a bit contrived. Among those I do enjoy are the following from South Pacific:



*You got to have a dream, if you don't have a dream
How you gonna have a dream come true?*

Talk about the moon floating in the sky

Looking at a lily on the lake

Talk about a bird learning how to fly

Talk about things you like to do

You got to have a dream, if you don't have a dream

How you gonna have a dream come true?

Not only is this true for us individually but also for TCA. I enjoyed sharing some of my dreams for TCA with the other officers last week. I was pleased that no one was discouraging or thought that I was having nightmares.

The first dream we all shared is to have a clan gathering on the Borders in Scotland in 2007 to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the Turnbull Clan Association. We have already begun working to make that a reality and will keep you posted.

Sharing and Caring

Your thoughts and prayers would be appreciated for Pat Turnbull, New Zealand who will be having a knee replacement and surgery on her foot.

Happy Birthday to

Gail E. Turnbull, Brian P. Turnbull, Jack Turnbull, Beverly F. Turnbull, Guadalupe Rule, David E. Turnbull, T. Stephen Turnbull, J. Michael Turnbull, Wallace Turnbull III, Walter S. Turnbull, Kenneth D. Turnbull, Julie Isabelle Lloyd, Harold F. Turnbull, Harold Turnbull, Kara Knepp, Clarence Kunz and Kate Turnbull



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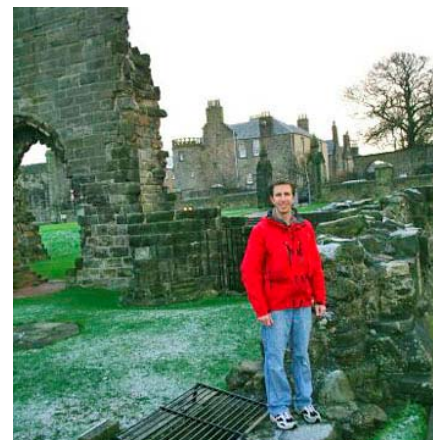
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Meet the Family

Betty Lange's (Solana Beach, CA) grandson shares his Scotland journey with her TCA family.

Greetings to the Turnbull Clan from St. Andrews, Scotland!

After both receiving our Masters of Divinity from Princeton Seminary, my wife, Sarah and I moved in September 2005 with our two year old son, Caleb to St. Andrews, Scotland so that I could begin my graduate studies.



(Our newest family addition, Joshua Cameron, was born at home here in Scotland in late December.)

I have begun a three year PhD in Divinity at St. Mary's College at the University of St. Andrews. I am studying the New Testament, with a special focus on the apostle Paul. Even more specifically, I'll be looking at the Roman imperial context of Paul's letters and how that context helps us understand what he wrote. I decided to come to St. Andrews for several reasons.

Ever since I began to think about doing a PhD in New Testament, respected professors I knew recommended the faculty at St. Mary's. My supervisor is a highly regarded Pauline scholar, so when the opportunity arose to study with him, I was eager to come here. Also, Sarah and I have always thought that it would be fun to live abroad for a few years, and Scotland provides that opportunity without the difficulties of requiring us both to be fluent in another language.

We love St. Andrews! It is a great combination for us – it has a small town feel but its opportunities are not limited because of the University and golf pilgrims from around the world. We love being near the ocean again (though in this case I guess technically it is a sea), but do miss the longer days of living in a more southerly climate. We've had to get used to living without a car – a scandal not to be attempted in many American towns! We've found it to be possible in St. Andrews, however. Caleb, already an able golfer, likes to walk on the Old Course (open to the public on Sundays) and has already teed off from the first hole (with his plastic clubs and balls). Watch out Tiger! We hope to take advantage of living so close to Europe at some point in the next few years, but as of yet have no definite plans to visit.

If you have any specific questions, I would be happy to answer them via e-mail at jg325@st-andrews.ac.uk

Jeremy Gabrielson

Editor's note: Please contact editor@turnbullclan.com, if you would like to feature a family member in "Meet the Family."

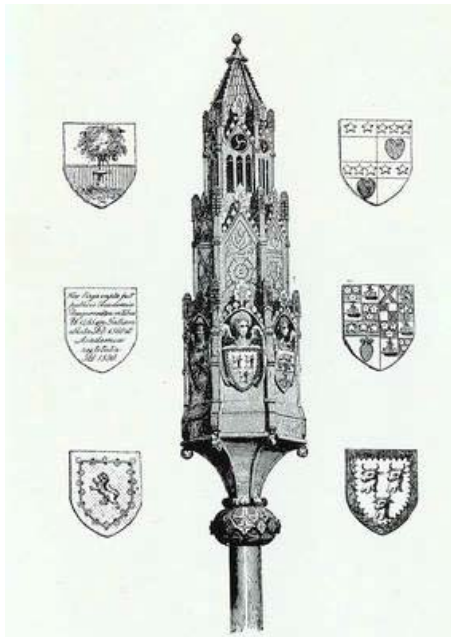


Glasgow University

Historical significance to Turnbolls: Glasgow University was founded by Bishop William Turnbull, born in Bedrule. A plaque commemorating his work can be found inside Bedrule Kirk (Bedrule).

Interesting Facts: William Turnbull was born in the early part of the 15th century in Bedrule, Scotland into the Glasgow diocese. He was educated at St. Andrews University. After his education, he became a leading minister of King James II of Scotland and keeper of the Privy Seal. He was later named Bishop of Glasgow.

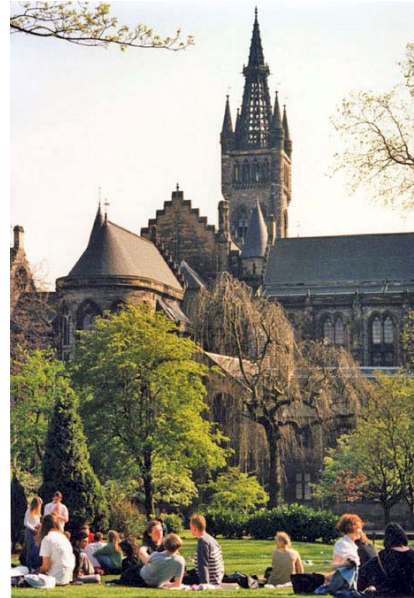
Bishop Turnbull was determined to establish a University in Glasgow and gained the backing of both King James and Pope Nicholas V. Today the Catholic Chaplaincy is named Turnbull Hall, in his honor. Bishop Turnbull died in 1454 while visiting Rome.



The University's mace, the symbol of academic authority, contains the arms of Bishop Turnbull. The silver mace was obtained in 1465 and reformed in 1490. During the time of the reformation in 1560, the mace was removed and sent to France for safe keeping. It was returned to the University in 1590 and even today, it is still carried by the

bedellus (parish official whose duties include ushering and preserving order) in front of the rector on ceremonial occasions.

The top of the mace is hexagonal with a shield on each side. The arms of the City of Glasgow and of Scotland are represented on the left. On the right are the arms of Douglas of Dalkeith, the restorer of the College in 1577, of Lord Hamilton, the first endower, and of Bishop Turnbull, the founder. The mace is almost 5 feet across and weighs about 8 pounds.



Glasgow University Tower can be seen from the commons.

Sights to see: In addition to visiting the University, Glasgow is home to many other attractions. There are many museums. These museums include The Museum of Modern Art, The College of Piping Museum, The Glasgow Museum Resource Center, The Museum of Transportation, and the St. Mungo Museum of Religious Life and Art.

The Scotland Street School Museum uses a combination of displays, audio visuals and reconstruction and restored classrooms to teach the story of Scotland Street Public School. The museum presents the history of education in Scotland as a genuine school experience.



The Scotland Street School Museum at dusk.

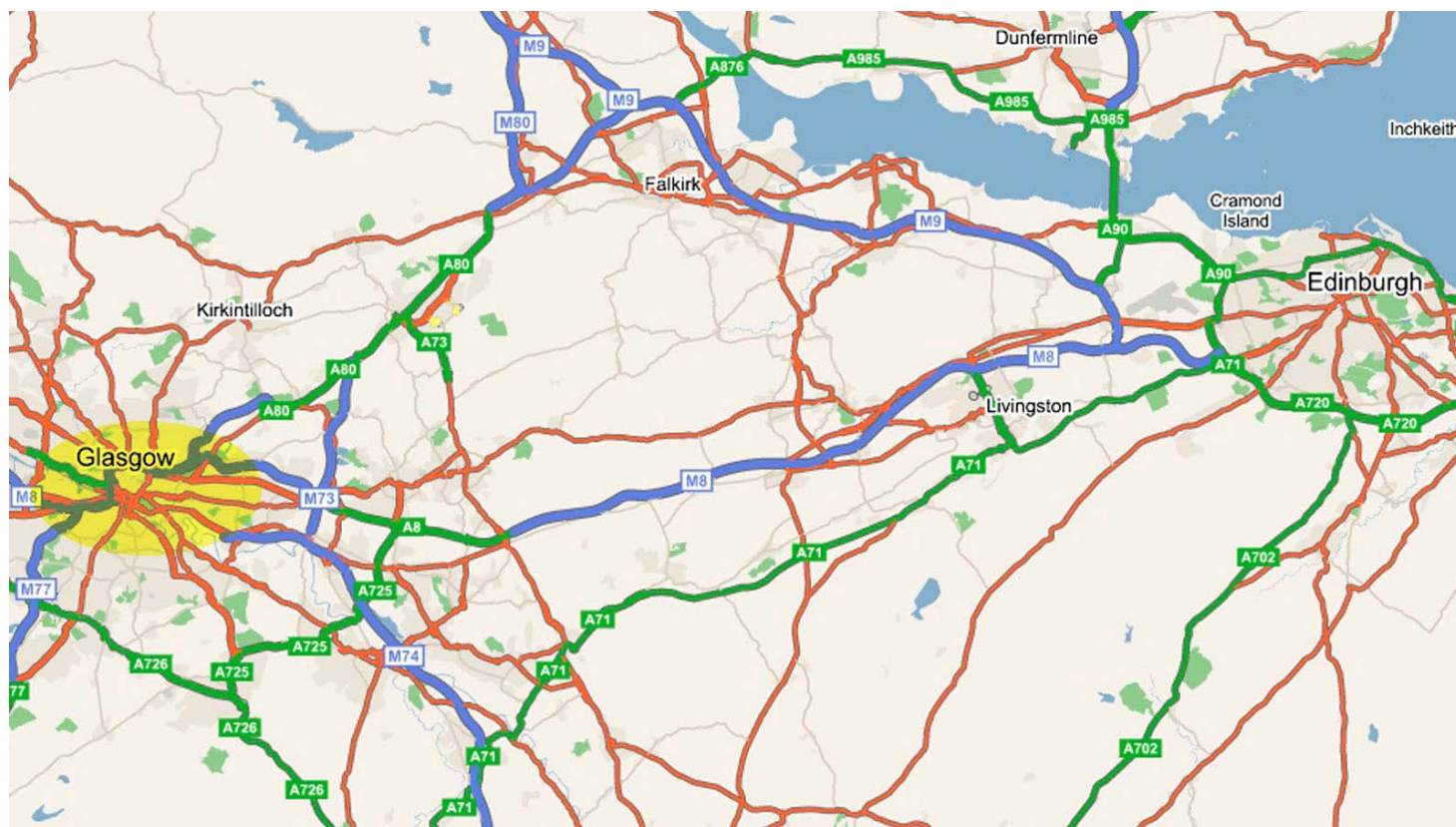
In addition to museums, there are many parks, gardens and shops that make a visit well worth while.

Below, Turnbull Hall now serves as the offices of the Chaplains of the University. Students are welcome as the Hall is home to many events.



Getting there: Glasgow is 46 miles to the east from Edinburgh and 403 miles to the NW of London. Major cities all have bus and train service to Glasgow.

From the east, take the A8 and merge onto the M9. Take exit 2 to the M8. This becomes the A8 again. Take exit 15. From the south, take the M74 to the M73 to the M8.



Places to stay:

Tulip Inn Glasgow, 80 Ballater Street, Tel: 0141 429 4233
 Novotel Glasgow Centre, 181/183 Pitt St, Tel: 0141 222 2775
 Corus Hotel Glasgow, 377 Argyle Street, Tel: 0870 6096166
 Artto Hotel, 37-39 Hope Street, Tel: 0141 248 2480
 Abode Glasgow, 129 Bath Street, Tel: 0141 221 6789
 Belhaven Hotel, 15 Belhaven Terrace, Tel: 0141-339-3222
 The Flower House B & B, 33 St Vincent Crescent,
 Tel: 0141 204 2846
 McLay's Guest House, 264 -276 Renfrew St, Tel: 044 141 332 4796

In addition to this list, there are many more bed and breakfasts and hotels, including many chain hotels.

Nearby Attractions:

The Botanic Gardens, Glasgow Cathedral, Glasgow School of Art, Palace of Art, People's Palace, Provand's Lordship, Glasgow SECC, The Burrell Collection, The Lighthouse, The Mitchell Library, The Tall Ship at Glasgow Harbour, the Nelson Monument, The Barras Market, Stirling's Library, St David's 'Ramshorn' Church, St Enoch's Station, Necropolis Cemetery, Hutchesons' Hospital Cemetery, Glasgow Green, George Square

Nearby Historical Sites:

Glasgow Cathedral, Crawford Castle, Houston House Castle, Waygateshaw House Castle, Tron Steeple, Tollbooth Steeple

Places to eat:

Trader Joes 329 Hope St
 Rufus T. Firefly Inc. 201 Hope St
 Molly Malones 224 Hope St
 16 Byres Road, 16 Byres Road
 78 St Vincent, 78 St Vincent Street
 Amber Regent, 50 West Regent Street
 Aurora, 2 Port Dundas Place
 Café Andaluz, Creswell Lane
 City Merchant, 97-99 Candleriggs
 Buttery, 652 Argyle Street
 Esca, 27 Chisholm Street
 Grassroots Café, 97 St Georges Road
 Koolba, Merchant Square
 The Mariner Restaurant, Glasgow Moat House Hotel
 Rococo, 202 West George Street
 Stazione, 1051 Great Western Road
 The Wee Curry Shop, 7 Buccleuch Street

Related websites:

<http://www.seeglasgow.com/seeglasgow/what-to-see-and-do>
<http://www.glasgowguide.co.uk/>
<http://www.glasgowguide.co.uk/places.html>
<http://www.glasgow.gov.uk/>
<http://www.glasgowmuseums.com>
<http://www.belhavenhotel.com>
<http://www.thetallship.com/>
<http://www.gnws.co.uk/glasgow/festivals.htm>

UPCOMING GAMES & EVENTS

USA Games – Attend one in your area!

March 3-5, North Texas Celtic Festival, Dallas, TX

March 4-5, SE Florida Scottish Festival Pembroke Pines, FL

March 10-12, Midland Scottish-Irish Faire, Midland, TX

March 11, Fire in the Field Celtic Music Fest, Mt Pleasant, SC

March 11-12, Panama City Scottish Festival, FL

Calaveras Celtic Faire, Calaveras, CA

March 17, Houston Scottish Festival Spectacular, Houston, TX

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

March 15 - 19, CeltFest Vancouver, Vancouver, BC, Canada

March 5, Ringwood Highland Games, Victoria, Australia

March 19, Geelong Highland Gathering *, Victoria, Australia

March 26, The Scots School Bathurst Highland Gathering, Bathurst, NSW, Australia

For a complete list of March, 2006 games visit www.turnbullclan.com

Orlando, Florida Games Great Success

Bob Turnbull of Ocala, FL reports on the Orlando Highland Games, where he and his daughter, Vanessa hosted a Turnbull Tent.



Bob Turnbull with daughter, Vanessa, hosting the Turnbull tent at the Orlando, Florida games.

The weather this year was very beautiful, unlike the games of last year. Lots of wonderful sunshine and 80 degrees made for a great time. I want to present some of the people that are of the Turnbull family who passed by the tent. I mentioned the Orlando games to a gal I met at a convention in December who saw my name tag and indicated that her mother was a Turnbull. I told her she should come. She, her husband and son, along with her uncle on her mom's side drove up from Melbourne, Florida to enjoy a great day at the games. Her name is Elizabeth Cook. Her husband is David Cook and their son is Maxwell Cook. Her uncle is Robert W. Turnbull (another Bob!) from Clearwater, Florida. Bob was familiar with TCA as he indicated that he has been a member.

Later in the afternoon while venturing about I was approached by a lady who saw my shirt with the Turnbull crest and said she was married to a Turnbull and introduced me to her husband David Turnbull. Her name is Wendi. They live in Sorrento, Florida. They were not too familiar with the history of the name so I said come on by the clan tent; sign the guest book and get some information.



Bob has enjoyed getting some of the new banners and supplies made available to TCA tent hosts.

There were many spectators and visitors to the games and tent. All in all it was a great day meeting new people and enjoying our Scottish heritage.



TCA Secretary Janet Schwierking takes a break from running her ranch with husband Bly (left) to meet fellow TCA'er Bill Trimble of Washington (right). Bill and his wife, Pat, recently visited San Antonio, Texas, close to the home of Janet and Bly. Bill contacted Janet and the four decided to meet for a visit and lunch. Janet says that originally she did not sign up for the Bullpen as she

didn't think she would ever have the opportunity to use it. She enjoyed getting to know Bill and Pat so much, that she immediately added her name to the Bullpen list, not wanting to miss out on future opportunities to get to know her extended TCA family. She says that if you aren't a Bullpen member, sign up now, you won't regret it.

Riding the Border (continued from page 1)

Jedburgh is a royal borough [burgh] in the Roxburgh County on the banks of the river Jed. It is peaceful now but it has a history of violence that dates back over 700 years. The town suffered being attacked or occupied in 1296, 1312, 1320, 1409, 1410, 1464, 1523, 1544, 1545, 1547 and 1548. In 1523 the Earl of Surrey, the head of an English army, wrote about Jedburgh: *"There was two times more houses therein than in Berwick, and well builded, with many honest and fair houses therein, sufficient to have lodged a thousand horsemen therein."* That was before he burned them all down.

In Jedburgh, the folks celebrate their history each year during June and July with ride outs involving hundreds of horses, ridden with a passion worthy of the reivers of old. The Burgh Flag or Standard bolsters community spirit by way of a colorful ceremony in which the flag is 'bussed' when ribbons are tied to the staff by the principal lass. This is reminiscent of the days when a knight's lady attached her ribbon to his lance before battle.

Lead by a young man chosen each year from among the town's unmarried men, the Callant in Jedburgh, (position held by Steven Turnbull in 2002), the riders "patrol" the edges of the town as well as the surrounding countryside. Music is heard as the pipe band plays, old songs are sung, banners are waved and local pride is expressed.

Jedburgh's Callant's festival, which was started in 1947, begins when the Callant takes custody of the Jethart Flag and on Festival Day leads the riders to Ferniehurst Castle. The festival lasts two weeks during which time there are numerous rides out to nearby historic sites. The most important ride is to Redeswire, the site of a battle in 1575 when the timely arrival of the Jedburgh contingent with

the cry "Jethart's here" turned an apparent defeat of the men from Liddesdale into a rout of the English.



Arriving at the Capon Tree, a traditional stop for the ridings. (photo by John Peters)

The festival ends with all of the riders massing in the center of the town and singing an old song that sends a clear message to the English to keep "their bloody damn hands off of anything Scottish!" To keep the peace however it is sung in such a strong accent that any attending English folks will not be likely to take offense because they won't be able to understand the words.

Up to 400 riders have been seen taking part in these rides and all are welcome join in. So if you are ever in the borders country of Scotland and have a horse in your pocket, have around for the Callant's Festival in Jedburgh. This year's Callant's Festival begins June 27 and ends on July 8th.

Financial Reports - 2005 Report and 2006 Budget

TURNBULL CLAN ASSOCIATION Statement of Activities for the 12 months ending 12/31/2005			
Income		Expense	
2005 Dues	4510.00	General and Fixed	\$1475.39
Contributions	579.50	Games/tents	650.96
Interest earned	52.22	Bullesye	1526.39
Total Income	\$5141.72	Total Expense	\$3652.74
Beginning Balance	\$7471.69	Cash Balance 2005	\$8960.67

TURNBULL CLAN ASSOCIATION - Approved Budget 2006			
Income		Expense	
2006 Dues	\$4000.00	General	\$1145.00
Contributions	600.00	Games/tents	1000.00
Total Income	\$4600.00	Bullesye	2400.00
		Total Expense	\$4545.00
Cash Reserves	\$8960.67	2006 Income over Expense	\$55.00
		Cash Ending Balance	\$9015.67