

# Turnbull Wine Ranked Best of Year



*Wine Spectator Magazine*, one of the leading and most respected wine publications, has ranked the newly released 2002 Turnbull Cabernet among the best 100 wines of the world. The magazine which presents several coveted awards each year, including the "Wine Star Awards," and the "Best 100 of Year" consistently scores many of the Turnbull wines with above 90 points.

In 1979, William Turnbull, Jr. partnered with attorney Reverdy Johnson and started the Johnson-Turnbull winery. Turnbull (1935-1997), was born in New York City and studied at Princeton University (class of 1956) and the Ecole des Beaux-Arts.



William (Bull) Turnbull, Jr.

An architect, Bill "Bull" Turnbull became the principle owner of Turnbull Associates in 1970. Bull believed that architects needed to pay particular attention to the vegetation and topography of an area in addition to being sensitive to their clients' wishes. He is most known for his work with the Sea Ranch along the California coast.

Patrick O'Dell purchased the Johnson Turnbull winery in 1993. With respect "for the history of the distinguished

Turnbull name," the winery was renamed Turnbull Wine Cellars and the turning bull image previously on the labels was redesigned. The new label is taken from a bull's figure on a Minoan drinking vessel. The Bull shaped drinking cups were used as the favorite ceremonial vessel for drinking wine. The crest appears on each label.

In 1998, O'Dell hired winemaker Jon Engelskirger. He brought with him 20 years of experience in the trade. Turnbull wines have been successfully competing with the best of them and continue to win awards and distinctions. The 2002 Turnbull Cabernet

Sauvignon (sold out) made the 2005 *Wine Spectator Magazine's* "Best of Year" Top 100 wines coveted listing.

The Turnbull Wine Cellars is located in Oakville in Napa Valley. It is approximately half a mile north of the Oakville Crossroad on the east side of the highway. They offer membership in the Turnbull Wine Club. Members receive two bottles of hand crafted, specially selected wines four times a year, including one made just for the Turnbull Clan and one of a current release. For more information, visit [www.turnbullwines.com](http://www.turnbullwines.com).  
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The original bull used on the Johnson Turnbull label.



Patrick O'Dell designed a new label keeping the turning bull.

## Mid-Life Career Change Success

The ringing in of a new century six years ago found Michael Turnbull, a Harbor Springs, MI resident, at a crossroad in his business career. A stockholder disagreement in 1999 ended with Turnbull leaving the company he had started in 1976. Faced with the dilemma of whether to work for a competitor of his old firm or start a new career, he chose the latter.

A passion for the Internet and a lifelong desire to write became the first stop on this new journey. Turnbull took a year to compile and write a book he titled "The Best of Dot Com Humor" (available on Amazon). "Dot Com" is a collection of the funniest stories, jokes, websites and people found on the  
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Michael Turnbull launches new career as voice over artist.

## From the President

by Wally Turnbull

"If it's not Scottish it's crap" returns well over one million hits in a Google internet search. We feel with pride that if it is Scottish it's better. However, that we of Scottish DNA are the world leaders in cardiac disease is no source of pride.



I don't know if our great incidence of heart problems comes from our Celtic, Pictish, Saxon, Norman DNA soup, if it stems from our lifestyle and the food we eat, or from a combination but the results are deadly.

At the state fair here in North Carolina where it is reported that we have more people of Scottish descent than does Scotland not only do we deep fry Snickers candy bars like the Glaswegians do but also Twinkies and other cardio-arresting delights. I recently watched a TV episode on the Food Channel claiming that the Scotts developed fried chicken. I certainly have no reason to doubt that.

We can't change our DNA or the inherited tendency of our arteries to clog up but we can change our lifestyle and we can help our children and grandchildren do even better.

Six months ago I underwent all too common but nevertheless major heart surgery. After initial recovery I entered a rehab program. (My kids tell me to say "cardio-rehab" so folks won't think I have a drug or alcohol problem.) Today, I graduated from the "cardio-rehab" program. It was a good experience with wonderful people teaching and encouraging permanent life improving changes. I pass some of that on to you, my extended family.

Please eat better, exercise more, and teach those habits to your children and grandchildren while they are still young. That is the part of the equation we can most change. As any mathematician will tell you, when you change part of an equation you change the results. The evidence is clear. It will make a difference. We and our families will be healthier, happier, and live longer.

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## Meet the Family

*Editor's Note: Recently, member Velle Turnbull sent me an xipper – an ingenious little gadget for opening CD's and DVD's (see story, page 3). She said it had been invented by Bonnie, her son Randy's wife and fellow TCAer. I asked Randy and Bonnie to share a little about themselves and how they came upon this idea.*

To tell the story of XIPPER DESIGNS and how the Xipper CD and DVD opener came about we should probably first tell you a little about our family. We are Randy and Bonnie Turnbull from Brighton, Colorado approximately 20 miles north of Denver. We have two great kids. Our daughter Amanda is married to Aaron Lamkin. They have given us our first granddaughter, Brook. Matthew, our son, just recently married a wonderful girl named Vanessa. Randy's parents are Morris & Velle Turnbull from Denver, and Bonnie's adopted parents are Lloyd and Marion Thompson. (Morris and Velle are among TCA's founding members and have been members since 1970's. In the past, Velle worked a lot with the TCA genealogy records.)

Bonne and I have run a small concrete foundation company for the past 16 years and Bonnie has been a licensed beautician, Girl Scout leader, has worked in a print shop and recently became a licensed private investigator. (She gets bored easily and is always looking for something new to interest her!) Two and a half years ago we purchased some new CD's to listen to and Bonnie complained about how hard they were to open. So I said "why don't you quit complaining and invent something to open them," never thinking she actually would! Well the next thing I know she has drawings, schematics, material for prototypes (which of course I now have the job of making! You would think after 30 years of marriage I would have learned when to keep my mouth shut).

So now after 2 1/2 years of struggling with patents, patent attorneys, trademark officers, manufacturers, designs, and an untold amount of prototypes, and so many other small headaches and heartbreaks, we have finally released upon the unsuspecting world the XIPPER CD AND DVD OPENERS (also opens computer software and video games). Bonnie's company is XIPPER DESIGNS INC., and her web site is [www.xipper.com](http://www.xipper.com). The XIPPERS are in about a half dozen mail order catalogs and hopefully soon to a neighborhood store near you.

At this point we are cautiously optimistic as Bonnie continues to design new inventions for me to attempt to turn into working models in my free time. Wish us luck and our thanks to Betty Turnbull of the Turnbull Clan Bullseye for her interest and to mom/Velle for her support and sending samples to Betty, and to Amanda for her design work and support.



**UPCOMING GAMES & EVENTS****USA Games – Attend one in your area!****May 5-6** Savannah Highland Games, Richmond Hill, GA**May 6** Celebration of Celts, Chatham, NY

Cumberland Gap Highland Games, Harrogate, TN

**May 12-14** Kentucky Scottish Weekend, Carrollton, KY

Houston Scottish Highland Games and Celtic Festival, TX

**May 13** SW Vermont Highland Games, East Dorset, VT**May 13** Frederick Celtic Festival, Frederick, Maryland**May 13** Gatlinburg Scottish Festival, Gatlinburg, TN**May 13** Prescott Highland Games, Prescott, AZ**May 20** Illinois Highland Games and Festival, Springfield, IL

Rio Grande Celtic Festival, Albuquerque, NM, Eugene Scottish Festival, Eugene, OR

**May 27-28** United Scottish Society of Southern California Scottish Festival, Pomona, CA

Alma Highland Festival and Games, Alma Michigan

**Australia, Canada, Scotland – Attend one in your area!****May 5-7** Glen Innes Celtic Festival, Glen Innes, NSW, Australia**May 20** Moose Jaw Highland Games, Saskatchewan, Canada**May 20** Comox Valley Highland Games, BC, Canada**May 21** BC Highland Games Clan Gathering, Victoria, BC, Canada**May 21** Regina Highland Games, Saskatchewan, Canada**May 26-28** Gathering of Scots Festival, Perth-Andover, NB, Canada

If you are interested in hosting a Turnbull Tent at games in your area, be sure to let us know. TCA would like to increase the number of Highland Games with Turnbull representation. Hosting has never been easier! Banners and other tent items are available to order online. Contact [president@turnbullclan.com](mailto:president@turnbullclan.com) or write to Wally Turnbull, 5216 Tahoe Dr., Durham, NC 27713 if you are interested.

## Lochcarron Says It Pays to be a TCA Member

This is a special note to all TCA members. The Lochcarron Mills is pleased to offer a 10% discount on any Turnbull Tartan items, including yard goods to TCA members. This includes both the dress and the hunting tartans. Now is your chance to wear your colors and save money at the same time. While located in Galashiels, Scotland, (see April 2006 Bullseye) the Lochcarron Mills ship worldwide. They can provide almost any type of garment including ties, ladies tams, scarves, shawls, kilted skirts and of course, men's kilts. Contacting them is easy. If telephoning, remember that Scotland is 5 hours ahead of Eastern Standard Time (USA). Be sure to tell them you are a member of the Turnbull Clan Association and ask for your 10% discount.

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**Turnbull Trails**

Next month, the Turnbull Trails will return and begin exploring Turnbull related places throughout the world. June begins with a trip to Rosedown in Louisiana.

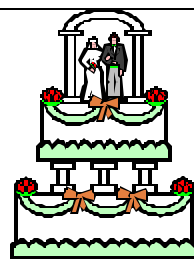
## Turnbull Invention Solves Irritating Problem

We all know how frustrating it is to try to open that new CD we are dying to listen to or watch the new DVD and not be able to open to the package. Well, thanks to Bonnie Turnbull there is a simple solution to the problem! Her invention, called the xipper handles the problem easily.



*This small xipper (actual size shown) solves a big sized problem.*

In Bonnie's words, "Artfully designed, stylish, and sleek - you'll be the envy of all as you quickly and effortlessly remove the wrapping from your new disc. With its patented design, the Xipper is the ultimate in convenience and practicality." The xipper comes with a key chain making it easy and practical to carry in your pocket or purse. For more information visit [www.xipper.com](http://www.xipper.com).

**50<sup>th</sup>**

TCA congratulates Pat and Derek Turnbull, NZ, as they celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary!

## Turnbull Wine Cellars *(cont. from page 1)*

The address of the winery is 8210 St. Helena Highway (Highway 29). Tours are available by appointment. The Tasting and Retail Room is open seven days a week from 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. If you visit you'll see a table in the tasting room dedicated to Turnbull Clan Association with copies of the Bullseyes and other things Turnbull. If you visit, be sure to tell them you are a Turnbull. You will receive special treatment!



*Harvest season is September to October. Check with the winery for the best time to come if interested in seeing grapes on the vines.*

## Writers Wanted

Did you every have a desire to be a journalist or secretly hope to be published. The Bullseye is looking for writers. If you enjoy just telling a story on paper or like to research a subject let us know! There are one time opportunities and there are staff writing positions open.

There is always an opportunity to be involved. Please contact [editor@turnbullclan.com](mailto:editor@turnbullclan.com) or by post Betty Turnbull, 5216 Tahoe Dr., Durham, NC 27713

### Happy Birthday to

Mark A. Turnbull, Jennifer S. Callender, Robyn Turnbull, Andrew R. Turnbull, Karen Torrey, Sarah Williams, William Turnbull Lewis, Leroy Samms, Iain Day, James Rule, Amy Turnbull Khare, Fred Clough, Dorothy Trimble, Richard Turnbull, Roy Turnbull Black, Joseph Knepp, William Turnbull, Doris Bable, Hugh Turnbull, Donald Turn-

bull, Roberto Copa Matos, Thomas C. Turnbull, Jr., Stewart Turnbull, Julia Turnbull, Peter Turnbull, Iere Patricia Turnbull, Janet Bannister



**New Smyrna Search:** The Southeast Volusia Historical Society and the New Smyrna Museum are looking for descendents of the original Turnbull colonists. If you think your ancestors were part of Andrew Turnbull's New Smyrna Colony in Florida, please let Judy Burrows, museum director, know. (phone - 386-478-0052)

## Michael Turnbull Career Change *(cont. from page 1)*

Internet organized in one book. Michael toured to promote his book on radio and TV. It was during this book tour that Turnbull found what he wanted to do with the rest of his life.

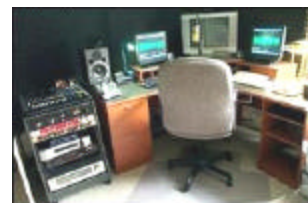
While visiting radio and TV studios, Michael was exposed to and fell in love with the voiceover business. The voices behind commercials, narration and documentaries fascinated the business man turned author. Once his promotional tour ended, Turnbull spent a year of intensive voiceover coaching and seminars with many of the industry's most admired professionals. By January 2004, he started building a flourishing career in this very competitive industry.

Turnbull began marketing himself nationally, recording commercials, narrations and documentary voiceovers that targeted 79 million Americans of the baby boomer generation and their increasing health care needs, interests and buying habits. Michael has done more work geared to this "over 55" demographic than any other voice professional in the industry during the last two years.

"Michael's voice characteristics and emotional connection resonate with this important segment of our population," says Susan Berkley, industry expert and owner of a voiceover consulting firm, The Great Voice Company. "His voice is warm, friendly, believable, sincere and soothing. His delivery is natural, caring and convincing."

Turnbull's story has a moral. Never stop searching and you'll find a purpose and happiness in life at any age. Turnbull was recently honored as the Voice-over Actor of the Year for 2005.

For more information, about Michael visit his website at [www.mltturnbull.com](http://www.mltturnbull.com)



*Michael works from his office in his home.*

**Take Note and Watch for Updates** -The 2007 AGM will take place in the Borders in Scotland! You've read about the Turnbull Trails. This will be your chance to visit historic Turnbull sites with fellow TCA family members! You won't want to miss this trip! More details coming...stayed tuned!