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TURNING OF THE BULL MONUMENT

October 7, 2006 it was announced by TCA President Wally Turnbull that a monument commemorating the turning of the bull by William Rule Turnbull will be prominently placed in the Borders of Scotland. This news was a highlight of the 2006 AGM in St. Louis, Mo.

Angela Hunter, one of Scotland's leading sculptors of bronze has been commissioned to design and produce the monument. A Borders native, Hunter was born in Galashiels and works from her studio next to Beltane bronze foundry in Peebles. In preparation for this monument which Hunter believes will become part of the national art treasure of Scotland, she spent many hours researching history in order to make the piece "period authentic" to William Rule and his day. example, because Highland

cattle are associated with Scotland it was commonly believed that Robert Bruce's bull had long hair. But no, research revealed that it would have been a square headed bison-type bull. Hunter is dedicating a year toward the completion of this project. While the monument is being described as life size, in actuality it will be one and one quarter life size. Or in other words; "bigger than life!" The monument will be a prominent figure in the Borders commemorating local history and serving as a source of pride to generations of Turnbulls.

George Turnbull, the leader of TCA in Scotland, is spearheading the monument project locally. He has



For This limited edition fine art bronze sculpture of the Turning of the Bull monument approximately 9" and high by 12" wide will be given to major contributors.

been working diligently with local leaders and councils toward the realization of this project. George was the one who convinced Angela Hunter that this would be a project worthy of her time and talent. He is now working with authorities to select the best venue for the monument.

While honoring Turnbulls everywhere, the monument will be dedicated in particular to William Rule Turnbull and John F. Turnbull, founder of TCA. John's wife, Myra, former provost of Hawick, is excited about having a piece of Turnbull history on display. She says "John would have been very pleased."

The monument will cost \$200,000. All members are asked not only to participate but also to encourage family members and their businesses to help with this important project. Contributions to TCA are tax deductible. All contributors will receive a monument certificate, suitable for framing. A limited edition 9"x12" fine art bronze sculpture of the monument will be provided to major contributors. Please contact TCA president@turnbullclan.com for additional information.

From the President

by Wally Turnbull

A Turnbull monument commemorating the Turning of the Bull prominently placed in the Scottish Borders. That's fantastic! But \$200,000? Wally, are you crazy? I can hear it now. No, I'm not crazy. I'm a man with a dream maybe even a vision.



We need the Turnbull *Turning of the Bull* monument. It will be beautiful, strong, fun and a source of pride for many generations of Turnbulls. Certainly every Turnbull who visits Scotland will want to have his or her picture taken next to the monument. Did you know that rubbing the bull's right horn brings good luck?

We need the monument, however, for more than fun and pride. We need it because we need a Turnbull clan heritage focal point. We need something for our history and heritage akin to what a shrine is to religious pilgrims. I don't mean that this monument is to be a shrine. I use that as an analogy.

Maybe someday we will rebuild Bedrule Castle. Why not? But until then and even then we need this monument. I need it. You need it. Our grandchildren need it.

I am asking you to not only be a contributor but also a fundraiser. Contribute what you can, if you can. Promote the project to your family and other Turnbulls. We plan to make a special appeal to Turnbull businesses. Send me the names of any such businesses you know about and I will get in touch with them. As a business they can contribute from pride, for the public relations, or both.

Together we can make this happen.

Sharing and Caring

Your thoughts and prayers are appreciated for member Ann Weller's husband, Walter, who is recovering from pneumonia.

Our sympathies are extended to Mary Le Samms and family with the loss of her husband, Leroy.

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Meet the Family

Chris Tromble Nelson was introduced to her Scottish heritage by her now husband, Tim. They met at a diner where Chris was a waitress before beginning a new job. Tim was a regular and one night showed up at one of Chris's softball games, a triple header for the championship. During the second game, Chris tore a tendon in her knee but continued to play (she was the catcher). When Tim saw she was in pain he went to the store and bought her some Tylenol and brought back water for the team. The next week Chris was attending her first Highland Games for sometime, as a member of the Gunn Clan and former member of the Gordon Highlanders' Bagpipe Band.



Left to right: Jason Nelson, Sandra Nelson, Tim, Chris, and Joe Tromble Daigler.

While at the games they were visiting a friend's tent and Chris's aunt came by. She told Chris (who always thought she was French) that she had a Scottish history as well. Her great... grandfather was a Trombley and was originally from Scotland, before fleeing to France and then immigrating to the US through Ellis Island. At this time the name was changed to Tromble. Chris said this at long last explained the family's tendency toward freckles, ruddy skin and reddish hair!

The following year, Tim proposed to Chris in front of 50 of her family members at Christmastime. They were married March 12, 2005 with all Scottish regalia. Chris's uncle played the trumpet with a single piper for the wedding march. They opted for the Flower of Scotland tartan.

Chris, who is the oldest of 6 children, has one son, Joseph, a graduate of Southampton College, where he received a Volleyball Scholarship. Tim has two children, a daughter, Sandra and son, Jason. Sandra has two children, Jacob and Michael. Of course, Tim and Chris think they are pretty special grandchildren!

When not working or going to highland games, Chris and Tim enjoy membership in a 13th Century Mid Evil reenactment group.

2007 TCA AGM Trip Preview - June 10-17, 2007 The Borders, Scotland Celebrating the 30th Anniversary of Turnbull Clan Association

Arrival in **Edinburgh** on your own. We will meet at the Apex International Hotel, Grassmarket, around the corner from the Royal Mile with a view of the Edinburgh Castle. We'll gather

Sunday June 10



for an evening **Welcoming Reception**. It's an early to bed evening for those just arriving to help with jet lag.

View from hotel of Grassmarket area with Edinburgh Castle in background.



View of Edinburgh Castle from the Apex International dining room.

Monday June 11



Stirling Castle from King's Park, once forested.

After a full Scottish breakfast at the hotel it's back to the beginning with a visit to **Stirling Castle** to see where it all began. Stirling Forest is where William Rule turned the bull. We'll enjoy a delicious lunch with a wonderful view of Loch Lomond at the **Lodge at Loch Lomond**. We'll end in Melrose, where we will check into our hotels. Supper will be at the hotel.



Lodge at Loch Lomond provides a beautiful and memorable setting.

Tuesday June 12

After breakfast at the hotel, we're off to **Bedrule** and **Bedrule Kirk**. Surrounded by the majestic Ruberslaw, the day will include a **picnic on Fast Castle mound**, visiting the site of Bedrule Castle, Fulton Tower, a beautiful view of



Fatlips and a trip to Carter Bar bordering England. Supper at the hotel.

Beautiful Ruberslaw can be seen from Bedrule



Wednesday June 13



Breakfast at the hotel. We'll go to **Selkirk** for a tour of the **Lochcarron Mills**, the only mill producing the Turnbull tartans, with time to shop in their gift store

(and a promise from them for some special Turnbull items). An early return to Melrose makes time for a visit of



Melrose Abbey, lunch at the hotel, self guided tours of the town and resting up for the AGM Banquet.





Left and above, the popular band Scocha



Ian Landles, historian and keynote speaker

AGM Banquet: You won't want to miss the banquet. This will be a grand affair with Turnbull Tartan optional. The evening includes entertainment from **Scocha**, one of Scotland's leading entertainment groups. Historian **Ian Landles** will be on board to speak. Ian is originally from Hawick and has a wealth of information to share. He is a much sought after speaker and is known for his "historical and

hysterical" delivery. Also on the program is **Alan Brydon** of Scocha and **Myra Turnbull**, co-founder of TCA with her husband John Turnbull.



Myra posing next to her photo as Provost of Hawick

Fhursday June 14

Breakfast at the hotel is followed by a journey to **Minto** and **Fatlips Castle**. Lunch will be in **Jedburgh** with the afternoon spent touring and shopping in this historic town. A visit to **Jedburgh Abbey** will be included. Supper at the hotel.

Right, Fatlips; far right, Jedburgh





Friday June 15



Main Gate, Glasgow University

We leave the little town of Melrose and depart for a day at **Glasgow University**, founded by Bishop William Turnbull. Our day will include highlights of Turnbull tributes at the University, a **chapel service** provided just for us and a special **lunch in the Turnbull room**.

In the afternoon, we'll continue our journey back to Edinburgh and check into the Apex International Hotel once again. (Supper is on your own, perhaps at one of the great little restaurants or pubs next to the hotel.)



Original crest of Bishop Turnbull at Glasgow University

Saturday June 16

After another Scottish breakfast at the hotel, we'll begin our day with a **Edinburgh bus tour of the city**. After this tour, we're on our own to visit the sites, including **shopping** on the **Royal Mile**, parliament, and **Edinburgh Castle**. (Lunch is on your own.) We'll meet back together at the hotel for our **Farewell Dinner**.



Scottish Parliament, Royal Mile, Edinburgh



The Scott Monument, Edinburgh

Breakfast at the hotel and departure.

(for more information see page 6)

UPCOMING GAMES & EVENTS

USA Games – Attend one in your area!

November 5, Tucson Celtic Festival & Games, Tucson, AZ

November 6, Ocala Scottish Games & Irish Feis, Ocala, FL

November 10-12, Salado Gathering of the Clans, Salado, TX

November 18-19, Eugene Celtic Heritage Festival, Eugene, OR

Australia and New Zealand - Attend one in your area!

November 9-10, Beechworth Celtic Festival, Victoria, Australia November 18, Auckland Highland Games, New Zealand

November 24 - December 4, Sydney Scottish Week , Sydney, NSW, Australia.

Trimbles Host Pacific Northwest Games

Bill Trimble reports that the Pacific Northwest Scottish Highland Games were held July 28-30, 2006 in Enumclaw, Washington. Again, over 70 Clans were in attendance, including the Turnbull Clan.



Hosting at the Turnbull Clan tent is Pat Trimble, Bill's wife.

The Turnbull Clan tent was again hosted by Bill and Kim Trimble and was attended by Pat Trimble, Robyn (Trimble) Drettwan, Sue and Amy Trimble, Lynn and Emma (Trimble) Lenz, Ginny Trimble, Kathy (Trimble) Chase, Tom and Kenny Trimble and Art and Peg (Trimble) Campbell.

The weather was not very cooperative this year as it was overcast and cool Saturday and rained most of the day Sunday.

Due to Bill's recent hip surgery, he did not participate in the Parade of Clans this year.

They had many visitors and handed out a few applications. Bill, Kim and families are already looking forward to next year's games.

Flowers of the Field

Leroy (Roy) Samms May 8, 1923 – June 1, 2006

Leroy was the beloved husband of Mary Le Samms for 56 years. "God was good to let him sleep away peacefully."



Turnbulls in the News

Washington, Oct 27 (ANI): Scientists Professor Jerry Turnbull and Dr. Ed Yates, at the University of Liverpool, have created a new chemical compound that could be developed into a drug for treating Alzheimer's disease.

The research team has used a family of long chain sugars called



Heparin Sulphates (HS), found on nearly every cell of the body, to produce a new compound that can prevent the formation of clumps of small proteins that form in the brain.

These clumps or 'plaques' disrupt the normal function of cells leading to progressive memory loss which is characteristic of Alzheimer's disease

The clumps are formed from a small protein fragment called Amyloid-beta (A-beta) peptide released from its 'parent' protein - amyloid precursor protein (APP). This process requires the action of an enzyme called beta-secetase (BACE), which is critical in clipping up the APP to form the smaller A-beta fragments.

Professor Jerry Turnbull and Dr Ed Yates, from the University's School of Biological Sciences, have discovered that the HS sugars may play a key role in limiting the development of Alzheimer's disease.

Professor Turnbull said: "We have developed a new class of compounds called 'engineered heparins' that could possibly be developed into drugs to stop A-beta peptides in the brain from forming and for the first time treat the underlying cause of Alzheimer's."

"The compound, based on the blood thinning drug, heparin, has modified chemical structures designed to optimize their desired activities and reduce potential side effects.

The compounds work by blocking the beta-secretase enzyme, responsible for snipping proteins into smaller fragments. Despite its central importance to the disease, there are currently no drug treatments which target this enzyme because it has proved difficult to find inhibitors using traditional drug discovery approaches. The new compounds, based on the body's natural substances, may provide a novel route to effective treatments for this debilitating disease," he added. (ANI)

2007 TCA AGM Trip - June 10-17, 2007 - The Borders, Scotland - Additional Details

The 2007 AGM trip is a rare opportunity to be able to experience the Scottish Borders and Turnbull history with extended family clan members from around the world.

In Edinburgh, we will stay at the Apex International Hotel, located in the historical Grass Market area next to Edinburgh Castle with wonderful little restaurants and shops all around. The rest of the time we will be occupying two hotels owned by the same proprietor and across the street from each other in Melrose. The Townhouse and Burts Hotel are known for their fine restaurants where we will have dinner most of the time.

Transportation is being provided by a very reputable firm with modern buses. We'll have experienced drivers and professional guides who know the Borders and Turnbull history. We will be visiting Stirling Castle, Melrose Abbey, Edinburgh Castle and Jedburgh Abbey. These are four of the most famous abbeys and castles in Scotland.



We'll visit Carter Bar and see the boulders marking the border between Scotland and England. The view is breathtaking and you'll be able to hop between England and Scotland. The border between Scotland and England used to be marked with smaller boulders which the Turnbulls and other border clans would move further south into England at night, thereby gaining more land for Scotland and themselves. These huge rocks, so large no one could move them, were installed to prevent the practice but legend has it that the border remains farther south than it once was.

When we visit Stirling Castle we will take a side trip to romantic Loch Lomond where we will enjoy lunch at the famous Lodge on Loch Lomond. Our banquet evening includes exceptional entertainment and speakers. We've been told that the program we have would draw people from all over Scotland if open to the public. Glasgow University is receiving us like royalty and doing special things just for us. In short, there will probably never be a trip with a combination of events and sights tailored to the Turnbull Clan like this one. And if all this isn't enough, there is a special surprise planned!

The cost of the tour is \$1580.00 US (840 GBP) per person based on hotel room double occupancy. Add \$200 US (106 GBP) for a single hotel room.

This price includes ALL hotel costs, meals, including a full breakfast (with the exception of one lunch and one supper), entrance fees to Castles and Abbeys, transportation within the tour dates and guides, the Banquet and gratuities. Not included are your airfare, transportation to and from the airport, one lunch, and one supper. (These two meals are in an area where there are lots of choices from a slice of pizza to a fancy dinner.)

One of our greatest restrictions is hotel space. We must make non-refundable deposits to the hotels now to secure our reservations. In order to assure a place on this once in a lifetime trip, a deposit of \$100 US (55 GBP) per person is due before December 15, 2006. Another \$750 US (400 GBP) per person is due by February 25, 2007. The balance of \$730 US (385 GBP) is due by May 10, 2007. (For single occupancy, add \$100 US to the Feb. 25 and the May 10 payments.)

The cost is based on the October, 2006 GBP/US currency exchange rate. Because most costs are based in GBP, if the exchange rate decreases or increases significantly before payments are due, TCA may be required to adjust the US\$ amount up or down accordingly. This is very unlikely but could occur. This trip is totally non-profit for TCA and prices are designed to meet committed expenses only.

To reserve your place send the following information to Betty Turnbull, 5216 Tahoe Dr. Durham, NC with \$100 US, payable to Turnbull Clan Association, for each person in your group:

Name, Email address, Telephone number, and Mailing address

The number and names of persons traveling in your group. Please note if senior (60 or older) or child (under 18):

Total number of rooms needed and if double or single room

For persons originating outside the US please contact Betty at editor@turnbullclan.com for payment options.

AGM 2006 -St. Louis, Missouri

Hosted by Keith and Thérèse Turnbull, the day was a great success. Among the honored guests were Doug Turnbull, former TCA vicepresident, his daughter Rowena and son James. Also among the special guest were Bill and Pat Trimble who made the trip from Washington state. Keith Turnbull was presented with the Clan Member of the Year award. Keith has been an active member of TCA for many years. He is very proud of his Scottish heritage (his son wore the Turnbull tartan before diapers!) and is a real encourager to many. Congratulations Keith.

Keith prepares for the Calling of the Clans Opening





Keith and family proudly display Keith's award.



Left: Rowena and James stopped by the tent to say hello.





Keith stamps an interested visitor's passport to the games..





Above: Keith, Rose, Andrew, Betty, Wally Turnbull, Pat and Bill Trimble.

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Far left: Keith and Thésèse make their annual visit to the Scottish "coo" with son, Iain. Above, Wally and Bill Trimble go over membership forms.





Bottom left: Iain finds a friend. Center bottom: Practicing to be a champ! Bottom right: Mission accomplished as the sheep dogs successfully corral their herd.



Election Year

Enclosed with this newsletter is your ballot for officers. Positions are for a three year term. Below are the offices and nominations received

Nominations:

President: Wally Turnbull – currently serving Vice-President: Brian Turnbull – currently serving Secretary: Janet Schwierking – currently serving

Treasurer: William (Bill) Trimble – currently the

Northwest representative of TCA

Mail to: Janet Schwierking, TCA

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Reminder from bylaws:

Ballots are to be tallied before the end of the month of November preceding the year in which office is to commence. The officers shall be elected by a simple majority of voting members who have paid their dues as of the date of the election. Renewal of your TCA dues may be done by check made out to Turnbull Clan Association (or TCA) – <u>please do not make it out to an individual and mailed to:</u>

Janet Schwierking, TCA 2020 Schuettig Rd. Poteet, TX 78065-4120 USA

Or pay online – go to <u>www.turnbullclan.com</u> and click to enter the site and then click on the yellow box that says *Renew or Join 2007*.

Happy Birthday to



Camden Rutherford Turnbull, Drew Turnbeaugh, Dana Turnbull, Girija Turnbull, Phyllis Paxton, Virginia Turnbull, Joan Sjostrom, Robert Starke Jr., Dale Hilding, William Bozman, Mark J. Turnbull, Dennis Turnbull, Carol Kugler, Robert O. Turnbull, Anthony Turnbull, Barbara Turnbull, Nancy Turnbull, E. Virginia Turnbull, Donna Brown, Richele Smith, Thomas Brown, William G. Rule, Leslie Bannister, Mary Kay Hilding, Dawn Day

Time to Renew

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2006 TCA Election Ballot

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☐ Wally Turnbull	
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Treasurer	
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☐ Janet Turnbull Schwierk	ing
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