

From Arbroath to the World

Tartan Day originated in Nova Scotia, Canada, because of a proposal from the Federation of Scottish Clans. The Ontario Legislature passed a resolution in 1991 proclaiming April 6th as Tartan Day. The United States began similar action in 1998 which eventually resulted in a House Resolution proclaiming April 6 as National Tartan Day. April 6 is significant as this is the date in 1320 that the Declaration of Arbroath, the Scottish Declaration of Independence, was signed. It is interesting to note that the American Declaration of Independence was modeled in part after this document. Almost half the signers of the Declaration of Independence were of Scottish descent and the Governors in 9 of the original 13 states were Scottish-Americans.

The purpose of Tartan Day is to recognize the Scottish influence in each country. Below is an excerpt from the US House Resolution 41

Whereas this resolution honors the major role that Scottish-Americans played in the founding of the Nation...

Whereas this resolution commends the more than 200 organizations throughout the United States that honor Scottish heritage, tradition, and culture...

Whereas these numerous individuals, clans, societies, clubs, and fraternal organizations do not let the great contributions of the Scottish people go unnoticed...

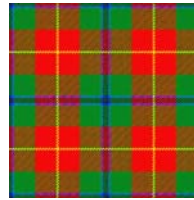
France also celebrates April 6 as Tartan Day. Australia and New Zealand have adopted July 1 because this is the day Royal Assent was granted to the Act repealing the Act of Proscription, prohibiting the wearing of any Scottish national dress or the playing of bagpipes. Other countries follow suit with various dates throughout the year.

The Declaration of Arbroath is considered one of, if not the most important document of Scotland. The *Scots in London* organization explains it this way:

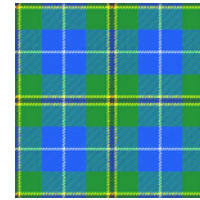
“The Declaration of Arbroath is probably without doubt the most famous document in Scottish history. It is recognized by many worldwide as the founding document of the Scottish nation. Picture the scene - the English armies were routed at Bannockburn in 1314, however they continued to mount attacks into Robert the Bruce's Scotland in the years that followed.

“The Pope had not accepted Scottish independence, perhaps partially because Robert the Bruce was out of favour for killing John Comyn, a Guardian of the Realm, in a church in Dumfries in 1306. The Declaration of Arbroath was prepared as a formal Declaration of Independence. Arguably, it has been unequalled in its eloquent plea for the liberty of man.

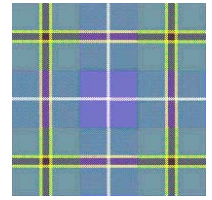
Turnbull Tartans



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“From the darkness of medieval minds it shone a torch upon future struggles, which its signatories could not have foreseen or understood. It was drawn up in Arbroath Abbey on this day, the 6th April 1320, most likely by the Abbot, Bernard de Linton, who was also the Chancellor of Scotland. The Declaration urged the Pope to see things from a Scottish perspective and not to take the English claim on Scotland seriously.

“It used strong words, indicating that without acceptance of the Scottish case that the wars would continue and the resultant deaths would be the responsibility of the Pope. An extract from the Declaration of Arbroath reads:

‘As long as but a hundred of us remain alive, never will we on any conditions be brought under English rule. It is in truth not for glory, nor riches, nor honours that we are fighting, but for freedom -- for that alone, which no honest man gives up but with life itself.’

“The Declaration was signed and bore the seals of 8 earls and 45 Scottish barons. It was conveyed to Rome and the Pope accepted the Scottish case.

“Two key points make the Declaration of Arbroath the most important document in Scottish history. Firstly it set the will and the wishes of the people above the King. Secondly, the manifesto affirmed the nation's independence in a way no battle could, and justified it with a truth that is beyond nation and race.” (www.scotsinlondon.com)

TCA encourages you to wear a bit of tartan on April 6th and join in the celebration of Tartan Day, recognizing our heritage and what the Scots have done to influence the world we live in.

From the President

by Wally Turnbull

I loved reading Bill and Claudia's excellent report from the Mesa, AZ games on page 5. They shared the history of our clan with others while taking part in an important heritage celebration. More importantly, they represented the true concept of the clan system, which is to support and encourage the extended family.



When we support each other in difficult times it makes our problems a little lighter, or at least a little easier to carry. When we rejoice with others we multiply our happiness by sharing it. Happiness and laughter are truly contagious.

The following are some of my favorite lines from a hit song a few years ago by Sister Sledge.

*All of the people around us they say
Can they be that close
Just let me state for the record
We're giving love in a family dose*

*Living life is fun and we've just begun
To get our share of the world's delights
High hopes we have for the future
And our goal's in sight
No we don't get depressed
Here's what we call our golden rule
Have faith in you and the things you do
You won't go wrong
This is our family Jewel*

This year get together with family you haven't seen in a while. Get to know those you have not yet met. Go to the games and meet some of the clan. Give a dose of family love and take one for yourself. It's good medicine.

Sharing and Caring

Lee and Josie Turnbull and family appreciate your prayers as Josie is being treated for cancer.

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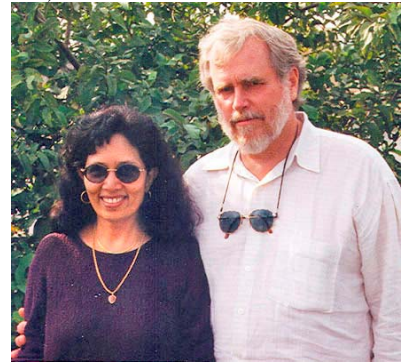
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Meet the Member

by Harold F. Turnbull (I go by Fred.)

I am a California native, born in Long Beach in March, 1943. Childhood in Kailua, Hawaii was a great place for a kid to grow up – wore no shoes for five years, lived a block from the beach. I spent my teens in Garden Grove and Anaheim CA and graduated from Rancho Alamitos HS in 1961.



Fred and Girija Turnbull

I played saxophone in a surf music band in the early 60's. Rock music has been a passion of mine ever since. I still go to rock concerts. I get together three or four times a year with another aging rock and roller (now a philosophy professor who wrote a book on the history of rock) for what we call a "debauch" – we watch rock and roll movies and concert videos all day while drinking copious quantities of our favorite adult beverage (fermented grape juice), generally just having a great time reminiscing about the good old days of rock.

I have a BS in biochemistry, University of California (1971), and a PhD in biological anthropology, University of California (1981). After working as an analytical chemist and protein chemist, I began teaching anthropology courses to college students in the mid-1970's and fell in love with teaching.

I am currently a professor of anthropology at the California State Polytechnic University, Pomona (Cal Poly Pomona). I've been at Cal Poly for 25 years and have been honored with emeritus status. My research specializations are in evolutionary genetics and historical demography. After spending about two years (in three separate visits spanning 10 years) in northern Spain in a small Basque mountain village studying the historical population structure of Basques, I am absolutely infatuated with Basque history, culture, and food.

I met my wife, Girija Karamcheti, in 1975 while teaching at Cal State Los Angeles. She was a graduate student, working toward her master's degree in Anthropology, and enrolled in one of my classes. For me it was love at first sight. She, however, required some convincing (I think something in her traditional Brahmin upbringing made her hesitant to cross the ethnic boundaries). We married in 1980, and have been happily married ever since.

We have one son, Alexander Karamcheti Turnbull (born June 1982), and he is now completing his law degree at the University of San Diego, where he is specializing in intellectual property and patent law.

In addition to rock and roll, I love gardening, woodworking, and cooking. I plan to spend my retirement years farming avocados and growing all sorts of exotic plants and trees, and puttering around in my workshop (plus traveling whenever possible to exotic places like Scotland).

Stories From the Past...

Turnbull and Asser

Haberdashers to Royalty, Nobility, Politicians, the Stars of Screen and Stage and the Well Dressed Man

The original article first appeared in 2000.

All of us must have seen at one time or another, the shirts, ties, and made to measure suits from the firm of Turnbull and Asser.



Turnbull and Asser store located at 3 Church Place, London

The firm of Turnbull and Asser has been supplying royalty (Royal Warrant for Prince Charles), famous politicians (Winston Churchill and his specially made Siren Suit), and the stars of stage and screen, including various actors portraying James Bond, and Patrick McGee in "The Avengers,"

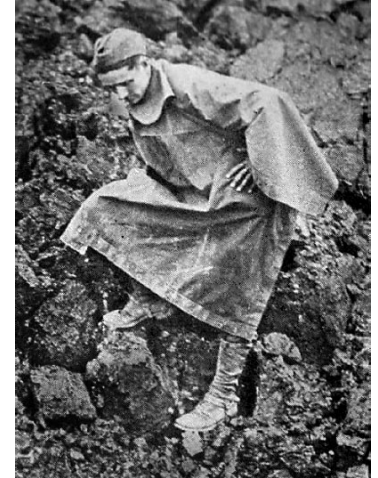
television series of the 1970s. While this article is not about the clothes made by Turnbull and Asser, it should be noted that they have a history of setting fashion trends in men's fashions for the last 100 years.

In 1885, Reginald Turnbull, a "hosier" by trade, and Ernest Asser, a salesman, started the firm under the name of John Arthur Turnbull at 3 Church Place, a busy alleyway between Piccadilly and Jermyn St. The alleyway contained 5 houses which overlooked the Church of St. James. Jermyn St. was named for a courtier loyal to Charles II while the King was in exile.

Turnbull and Asser started many fashion changes: there is a special weave known as TURNBULLINGS. They were the originators during WWI of the "great coat/ground sheet" which those of us who have been in the army/marines would recognize as the poncho. After WWI the trend in men's fashion was to expose the shirt that was under the coat and this led to the development of the Turnbull and Asser shirt. F. Scott Fitzgerald, in his book, The Great Gatsby, mentions the hero's "London Made Shirts," which were the Turnbull and Asser shirts.

On January 14, 1986, the owners of Harrods Department Store, Mohamed and Ali Fayed, purchased Turnbull and Asser. Since then the number of people making Turnbull

and Asser shirts has grown from 20 to 200, and the annual production has increased from 30,000 shirts to over 100,000. Aside from stores in London and New York, the firm sells its merchandise in the finest department stores of the North American continent. Reginald Turnbull died in 1924 and Ernest Asser died in 1931.



A World War I soldier wearing a greatcoat (or poncho/ground sheet).

Turnbull and Asser Today

Turnbull and Asser clothing is now available online. They maintain two websites catering to North American and British clientele, while Ebay often has Turnbull and Asser garments and ties available for bidding. The company also continues to pride itself on their personalized and professional bespoke service. This service is centered on shirts tailored precisely to customer specifications. The origin of the term "bespoke" dates back to when customers ordering a suit or shirt could select and reserve a cloth that was then bespoke or "spoken for." Today, bespoke means "made to personal specification" – in contrast to the more conventional "made-to-measure" or "customized stock item."



An example of Turnbull and Asser formal wear.

"For shirts, some 28 separate measurements are made to ensure the most flattering possible result. Habits such as the way a wrist-watch is worn and other unique needs and physical characteristics are all reflected in the final product. Turnbull and Asser designs the shirt exclusively for customers from cloth woven to our specifications in more than 1,000 different patterns from white to boldly colored, multi-striped, geometric and checkered designs."

(www.turnbullandasser.com)

UPCOMING GAMES & EVENTS

USA Games – Attend one in your area!

April 4, Fremont Tartan Day, Fremont, CA
April 4, Tidewater Tartan Day, Tidewater, VA
April 6, New York Tartan Day, NY, NY
April 6-8, Minnesota Tartan Day, Minneapolis, MN
April 8, Washington State Tartan Day, Washington
April 8, Dunedin Highland Games & Festival, Dunedin, FL
April 8, Oregon Scottish Heritage Festival, Salem, OR
April 8, Chesterfield Celtic Heritage Festival, Chesterfield, VA
April 8, Tartan Fest, Columbia, SC
April 8, Tartan Day, NY, NY
April 7-8, San Antonio Highland Games, Helotis, TX
April 14-15, CeltFest 2006, Odessa, TX
April 8-9, Las Vegas Highland Games, Las Vegas, NV
April 21-23, Loch Norman Highland Games, Charlotte, NC
April 21-23, Arkansas Scottish Festival, Batesville, AR
April 22-23, Texas Celtic Heritage Festival, Kilgore, TX
April 28-30, Arcadia Valley Celtic Festival, St Louis, MO
April 29, Southern Maryland Celtic Festival, St Leonard, MD
April 28-29, Sacramento Valley Scottish Games, Sacramento, CA
April 29-30, Culloden Games, Macon, GA
April 29-30, Oak Mountain Highland Games & Scottish Gathering, Pelham, AL
April 30 - May 1, Historic Bhealltain Festival, OR

France and Australia – Attend one in your area!

April 1, Paris Tartan Day, Paris, France
April 8-9, Kapunda Celtic Festival, South Australia
April 14-15, Maclean Highland Gathering, NSW, Australia
April 14-15, Australian Tattoo, Bendigo, Victoria, Australia
April 15-16, Champion of Champions Highland Dance Comp., Mile End, SA, Australia.
April 28, Bundanoon Highland Gathering, NSW, Australia



Did you hear the one about....?

Submitted by Mary Le Samms

Donald MacDonald from the Isle of Skye went to study at an English university and was living in the hall of residence with all the other students there.

After he had been there a month, his mother came to visit him.

"And how do you find the English students, Donald?" she asked.

"Mother," he replied, "they're such terrible, noisy people.

The one on that side keeps banging his head on the wall and won't stop.

The one on the other side screams and screams all night."

"Oh Donald! How do you manage to put up with these awful noisy English neighbours?"

"Mother, I do nothing. I just ignore them. I just stay here quietly, playing my bagpipes."

Clan Turnbull Represented at Mesa, Arizona Scottish Gathering and Highland Games

By Bill and Claudia Trimble

How important is sponsoring a clan tent at your area Scottish Highland Games? As we found out at the 43rd annual Mesa Arizona Scottish Gathering & Highland Games, it can be very important! This was the second year that we sponsored a Turnbull Clan Tent. On Saturday afternoon, Feb. 24, we met Donna Sullivan and her family. She told us about her deceased sister, Dolores (Dee) Springer, who had been active in the New Hampshire Highland Games and Clan Turnbull. Dolores was well known for artistic cake making, including a Turnbull Clan Crest cake she made for the AGM in 2002. Claudia and I remembered visiting with Dee at the NH games in 2002. Dee shared with Claudia (a nurse) about her illness.

As we were exchanging stories of Dee with Donna, we were able to find a "Bullseye," Feb. 2003, from the archive files that included Dee's obituary. Donna was touched by the fact that we knew her sister and had the copy of her sister's obituary. We feel like our presence at the games impacted Donna and her family by knowing that her extended Turnbull family can be found wherever there is a gathering of the clan.

We met several other Clan members and added H. Lee and Ruth J. Hadley to the family. Bill's parents, Russ and Dorothy Trimble, were a big help, as well as our grandson, Mason Bazala.



Left to right: Kathryn Dollar, Sharon Naughton, Bill Trimble, Mason Bazala, Dorothy Trimble, Russell Trimble



Happy Birthday to

Douglas Turnbull, Michael Torrey, Karen Torrey, Herbert Turnbull, Nigel Turnbull, Randolph Turnbull, Barbara Turnbull, Robert M. Turnbull, Robert Scott Turnbull, Lois Turnbull, John Divoll, Ann Stirling Weller, Judith Wood, Katharine C. Turnbull, Lawrence Gatt, Christine Ann Nelson, John A. Turnbull, Ray Waldon Rule, Gary Turnbull

David J. Turnbull, Eric Turnbull, Clifford Wood,

Turnbulls in the News

Dawn Day from Australia writes that "Malcolm Turnbull has joined the Federal Government and was almost immediately made Minister for the Environment and Water. We expect to see great things from this man – of course we should expect it, with him being a Turnbull and all!"

Malcolm Turnbull grew up in Vaucluse and Double Bay, Australia. He was educated at Vaucluse Public School and Sydney Grammar School. Malcolm graduated from Sydney University with a BA LLB. He was a Rhodes Scholar and completed a further degree at Oxford University. While a student at Sydney University, Malcolm worked as a journalist with the London Sunday Times and the Bulletin.

After a successful career in journalism Malcolm began practicing law in 1980. He quickly established a reputation as an effective advocate, most notably when he successfully defended former MI5 agent Peter Wright against the British Government in the "Spycatcher" trial. He left law in 1987 in favor of business where he since has been responsible for the establishment and success of many Australian businesses. He co-founded OzEmail in 1994, and his software companies have won many awards for exporting Australian technology. In addition to initiating numerous policy and research projects in areas such as education, balancing work and family responsibilities, and home ownership affordability, he has been Chair of the Menzies Research Centre since 2001.

In 1980, Malcolm married Lucy Hughes. They have two children, Alex and Daisy, who are now completing university. Lucy was the first female Lord Mayor of Sydney, a position she held until 2004.

Malcolm was elected as the Federal Member for Wentworth at the general election on 9 October, 2004. Malcolm has had a long interest in water policy and water conservation in particular. On 24 January 2006 the Prime Minister appointed Malcolm the Parliamentary.

Following is a quote from the Hon Malcolm Turnbull's first speech in Parliament, delivered Monday, November 29, 2004.

"I believe, passionately, that politics is for people. It is not an elite sport played only by Members of Parliament. All my life I have practiced active citizenship. It is why I first joined the Liberal Party in 1973. It is why I ran for Parliament. It is why I have written and spoken out, often controversially, on some of the big issues that await us in the coming decades.

"It is why I am a Director of Clean Up Australia our world's largest grass roots environmental action group. It is why, for nearly eight years, as a private citizen I was Chairman of



Malcolm Turnbull with wife, Lucy, daughter Daisy, son Alex, and dogs Jojo, Mellie and Rusty.

the Australian Republican Movement. I am for the republic: Australia's Head of State should be one of us. The Republic debate brought together many Australians, from both sides of politics.

"The Constitutional Convention which sat in the old Parliament House, was a splendid moment of Australian democracy where a common love of country cracked the frosted lens of partisanship and every speech on every side was from a patriotic heart."

(For more about Malcolm Turnbull, visit his website at www.malcomturnbull.com)

SuperMum Bernadette Turnbull

Bernadette Turnbull of England has been entered into the Shields Gazette Supermum Mother's Day competition by daughter Emma. Bernadette's daily routine includes taking her children breakfast in bed on school days, preparing school uniforms, and making sure their home is spick and span, in addition to holding down a full time job caring for other people's children as a nursery school teacher. These are things that inspired her daughter to enter her into this competition.



Bernadette Turnbull with children Daniel and Emma.

Says Emma, "My mam deserves to be Gazette supermum because she has no mam or dad. My mam also looks after my dad and our dog Spike, cooks and cleans every day, and works with little children. My mam looks after my nana and grandad. He has had three heart attacks and cancer." In her "spare" time, Mrs. Turnbull is studying higher level maths at college. Prizes include a pampered day at Matfen Hall in Northumberland. Emma says, "I know she would love to have a day to herself."

Information gathered from an article written by Kaye Henry for the The Shield Gazette, March 16, 2007, South Tyneside, UK

Tartan Day is celebrated in the US and Canada on April 6 and celebrated in Australia and New Zealand July 1. No matter what the date, the world around celebrates its Scottish Influence. Here is a glimpse of Tartan Day celebrations from around the globe.



New York City, NY



Barcelona, Spain



Arbroath, Scotland



Ellis Island, New York



Rome, Italy



Oops



London, England



Angus, Scotland



Paris, France



Toronto, Ontario, Canada



Buenos Aires, Argentina



Australia



Budapest, Hungary



New York City, NY, USA



New Zealand