

Making History in the Borders

Each member of TCA is part of a rich heritage that dates back hundreds of years to the time of kings, princesses and heroic knights. Turnbulls are part of the story of a man who woke up one day as a Scottish peasant with little to call his own and ended the day as a hero, a knight who would be forever known as “the man who saved the king.” It’s not every day that a clan has the chance to do something great - truly great – something of international importance that leaves a legacy to be passed down from generation to generation. The Turning of the Bull Monument (to be a part of the Hawick Heritage Hub) is such an occasion. Because of where it will be placed, what it represents, and its very nature, the monument will be sure to join the list of Scotland’s national art treasures.

The Turnbulls, like many border clans, no longer have a focal point for heritage visitors or a rally point. Centuries of persecution drove

Progress and required funding balance may be monitored by following the monument link on the website.

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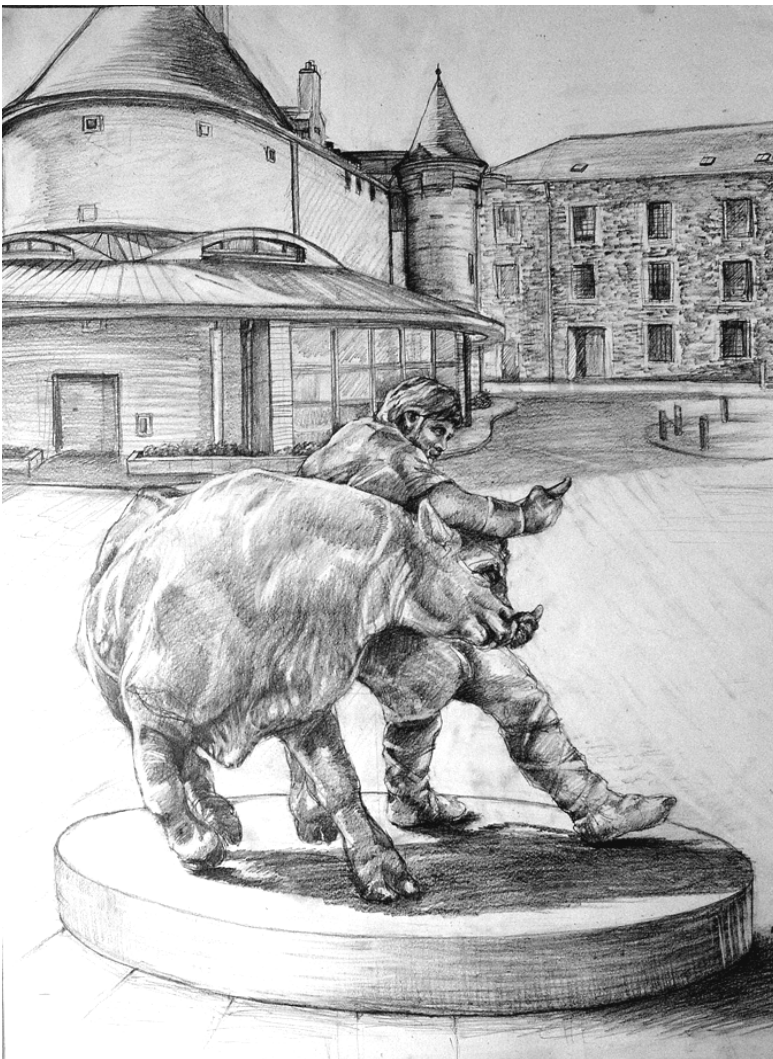
countless members of the Turnbull Clan out of their beloved homeland and forced many more to change their names in an often-futile effort to escape execution. The Turnbulls became Trimbles, Trumbulls, Turnballs, Trumbles and more. The names may have changed, but the clan bloodline and legacy remain as strong as the man who turned the bull.

The *Turning of the Bull* monument will mark the beginning and the end of a pilgrimage journey to the heritage seeker. It will be a proud symbol representing the history and stories passed down through generations. Long after there is nothing more than that which remains in the stories told by our descendants, this monument will stand as a proud testament of the legacy left behind by all Turnbulls.

This is truly an exciting and unique opportunity to be part of something not only great and important but also fun. But the legacy, the sculpture, the national treasure will be nothing more than a wasted dream if the project cannot be funded. The site is chosen, the dedication date is set, Scotland’s renowned artist, Angela Hunter, has begun work, but TCA must raise \$168,000 to complete the *Turning of the Bull*. Every gift is important and urgent.

Each gift will be acknowledged with a *Certificate of Honour*, suitable for framing. The Turnbull Clan Association is a registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, so your gift is completely tax deductible. In addition to cash donations, TCA can accept donations of stock.

Donations can be made by check or online by following the monument link on the website. Write to president@turnbullclan.com for more information on how to gift stock securities. This is a truly unique opportunity to be part of Turnbull history. Every clan member once again has the opportunity to do something great in the Borderlands and leave a permanent legacy for all generations to come.



Artist Angela Hunter’s rendering of the placement of the Turnbull of the Bull Monument

From the President

by Wally Turnbull

No one likes asking for money but everyone believes in supporting a good cause. Well, the two usually go hand in hand. I had a good friend, now waiting for me Upstairs, who used to say: "Wally I can't do many of the things that I would like to see accomplished but I can still help get them done by contributing to those closest to my heart." He was right. If some lay the bricks and some pay for the bricks the project gets done. Without one or the other it remains only a dream.



Scotland wants to put up a Turnbull monument. We and our descendants will be rightly proud of that big bronze bull being turned by William. Those who help personally are going to have an extra measure of pride. Some can help a lot and others a little but everyone can do something. If you have contributed, please consider doing so again.

Everyone who contributes to the Turnbull Monument will receive a beautiful *Certificate of Honour*.

If you contribute \$5,000 to help cover the cost of the needed materials for the sculpture you will receive your own limited edition *Turning of the Bull* sculpture which has an art gallery value of well over that amount. No more than 100 of these bronze sculptures, destined to become historical Turnbull icons, will ever be made.

If you contribute \$500 to help build the monument you will receive a special *Turnbull Clan Flag* which has been flown over the Turnbull Castle mound in Bedrule, Scotland personally by the Baron of Bedrule. There are only a few of these flags and each comes with a certificate of authenticity.

Please make as large of a contribution as you can. Yes, we need the money, but I also want each of member to have the personal satisfaction of owning a piece of our monument. Please be generous and send your check today to:

William C. Trimble – TCA Treasurer
2125 Bluejay Lane - West Richland, WA 99353

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Memories...

What was most memorable about your trip to Scotland?

By Betty Turnbull



It's my turn to answer the question above. I must confess that when I began the months of planning and organizing the 2007 AGM trip, I was not after memories of my own. All I hoped for was that a group of people, related through history and name, would get along with one another on a crowded bus, have some fun and come away from Scotland feeling as though they knew a

little bit more about the history of their ancestry. I wanted the group to experience what Wally and I had on previous trips to Scotland. As the trip began, that was my only goal.

As the group began to gather in Edinburgh, running through my mind were questions of scheduled bathroom stops (and could we actually find a bathroom), would the bus show up on time, would food be ready at the right times, would it rain (ok group, so this one wasn't perfect but not too bad, considering that in the weeks following, the Borders were wetter than our last day in Edinburgh!) and the list goes on. With these thoughts filling my head, the only memories I was looking for was to know that I had gotten the details right and no one was disappointed.

But somewhere along the line, the details seemed to take care of themselves, and I found myself feeling like one of the group, experiencing each day with everyone else, getting to know and to care about individuals who had once only been names that I had to keep in order and (try to) spell correctly. I found people in those names, people who embraced life, who laughed, who sang, who worshiped together, who accepted one another as we were. I found people who didn't complain in sickness, but insisted on putting aside how they felt to experience all that was being put before them. I was hoping to come away from the trip with the memory that all went well, that the planning paid off, but I was surprised that the memory most present is the one of new friendships, a certain kinship, a feeling of belonging. Our diversified geographical, religious and professional backgrounds melded into a family of kindred spirits, united in the emotions of past generations and enriched today by the beautiful and tranquil borderlands of Scotland.

And to the group - Thank you all for letting me be a part of your heritage pilgrimage; thank you for sharing a part of your lives with me. My life has been enriched and touched by each one of you. *(Just for the record, I do sleep better when I don't have to worry about how in the world I'm going to transport 80 lbs of canvas bags and t-shirts across the Atlantic Ocean.)*

UPCOMING GAMES & EVENTS

USA Games – Attend one in your area!

November 3, Foothills Highland Games , Hendersonville, NC

November 3-4, Tucson Celtic Festival & Games, Tucson, AZ

November 4-5, Austin Celtic Festival, Austin, TX

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

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

November 11-12, Mississippi Gulf Coast Scottish Festival, Gulfport, MS

November 17-19, Louisiana Highland Games, LA

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

Australia and New Zealand – Attend one in your area!

November 4, Castle Hill Highland Games, NSW, Australia

November 9-11, Beechworth Celtic Festival, Victoria, Australia

November 18, Auckland Highland Games , New Zealand

November 26 - December 2, Sydney Scottish Week , Sydney, NSW, Australia.

For a complete list of games worldwide visit:

<http://www.usscots.com>

Scocha Member Discovers Turnbull Ties



Alan Brydon of Scocha discovers Turnbull roots.

Scocha, one of Scotland's most sought after folk bands, has discovered direct ties to the Turnbull Clan. The band is known for their wide repertoire ranging from exciting foot-stomping, hand-clapping songs to stirring anthems and emotional ballads, all peppered with a unique cheery "banter" typical of Scotland. The band consists of members Iain Scott,

David Chapman, Phil Clayton, and Alan Brydon. While entertaining at the Turnbull Banquet in June of this year, they performed two songs written especially for the Turnbull Clan.

Iain Scott introduced a song he wrote in memory of his grandfather, R. E. Scott, author of "I Saved the King," a publication about William Rule and the beginnings of the Turnbull name. The song was appropriately titled "I Saved the King." Alan Brydon also introduced a song he wrote titled "I Turned the Bull." Both songs were well received and appreciated. However, it was thought that the Turnbull connected ended there.

Since that time, Alan Brydon has discovered that he actually has Turnbull roots! Alan says "Ironically, I didn't realize at the time of the banquet that I'm a Turnbull, too." Alan's great grandmother on his mother's side was Betsy Bruce Turnbull. His G G G grandmother on his father's side was Agnes Turnbull. (more information below)

Alan is a talented songwriter and accomplished musician, playing a variety of instruments including whistles, bagpipes and guitars. In addition, he is an author and poet. His songs are not only performed by Scocha, but are being sung by a growing number of artists. His acclaimed "Calling Doon the Line (Piper's Call)" has been adopted as the anthem for the Memorial to WW1 Scottish Soldiers in Flanders.



Scocha is one of Scotland's most popular bands. Members are (back) David Chapman, Alan Brydon, (front) Phil Clayton and Iain Scott.

Alan's book, [The Keeper of the Teviotdale](#) is a fictional novel that draws on local Border history within a plot that weaves a gripping tale of past and present. In it, Alan writes with a partly satirical and partly historical account of two main themes of an intertwining narrative.

Alan is proud of his Hawick heritage and his new found Turnbull roots. Alan would like to learn more about his ancestry. He asks that if there are "members who have information and/or connections in their family trees of my two direct ancestors, I'd be grateful to hear from them." (Betsy Bruce Turnbull was born June 4th, 1877 at Deanfoot Minto. She was the daughter of Robert Swanston Turnbull, who was the son of David Turnbull. Agnes Turnbull died Jan. 8, 1897 and was the mother of James Fairbairn.)

For more information about Alan Brydon and Scocha, visit www.scocha.com and www.alanbrydon.com. CDs and [The Keeper of the Teviotdale](#) are available online, as well.

To hear Iain Scott and Scocha performing "I Saved the King" go to www.youtube.com/watch?v=1Fhmcr8XSK0.

Red Carpet Reception at Glasgow University

As part of the AGM trip to Scotland, a visit to Glasgow University seemed in order, as its founder, Bishop William Turnbull hailed from Bedrule and somewhere in the past was a “cousin” to us all. Prior arrangements were made for the tour to include a short service in the chapel with the famous Glasgow Choir performing, a tour of the University, especially of things Turnbull, and lunch in the Turnbull and Melrose Rooms. What we did not expect was the warmth of the reception and the feeling that we truly belonged and were a part of the University.

In 1451, William Turnbull while a leading minister of King James II of Scotland and Bishop of Glasgow, Turnbull had the idea of founding a university in Glasgow. Both King James and Pope Nicholas V were in favor of Turnbull’s proposal and so the university found Bishop Turnbull serving as the first chancellor.

From the beginning of our day, walking through the gilded founders’ gates and seeing William Turnbull’s name next to that of King James, to the last bite of food in the Turnbull Room, our tour was filled with substance that continually reminded us of the Turnbull ties to the University.

Our day began with a special worship service in the magnificent



chapel. Signs along the corridor announcing the Turnbull service directed us. Chaplain Stuart MacQuarrie led the service and our own Gail Turnbull and Adriana Bonewitz participated by reading from the scripture. The famed University Choir performed for us under the Direction of James Grossmith.

The musical performance of Burns poem, *A Man’s a Man for A’ That*, with the perfectly blended voices of the choir and the exquisite acoustics was, indeed, very moving.

Our tour, with an almost scavenger hunt appeal of finding traces of Bishop Turnbull, included finding his coat of arms preserved in many forms throughout the university. One of the most fun to find is on the entrance to the Main Building. The numerous stained glass windows featuring Bishop Turnbull himself to various forms of arms were beautiful. And we mustn’t forget the chancellor’s box in the chapel which bears the bull’s head in honor of the university founder.



Signs of the Turnbull legacy to the University can be found throughout the campus, including Bishop Turnbull’s arms from 1451.

We felt most honored upon arriving at the Turnbull Room where lunch was to be served, to find the Deputy Bedellus present with the University Mace. The silver mace, a symbol of academic authority, was acquired in 1465. Considered so valuable, it was removed to France for safe keeping at the time of the Reformation in 1560. It was restored to the University in 1590. Today it is still carried by the Bedellus or the Deputy Bedellus for ceremonial occasions.

The mace is normally stored under heavy security in a hermetically sealed vault and only presented on very special official occasions. It is 4 feet 9¾” in height and weighs 8 lbs 1 oz. On one of the hexagonal sides can be found the arms of Bishop Turnbull, founder. The arms consist of three bulls’ heads. Members of the tour will be remembering their visit to the University for a long time to come.



Right: Deputy Bedellus, Tom Young, poses with Mark Turnbull. Left: TCA president, Wally Turnbull adorns the robe and proudly presents the mace with Bishop Turnbull’s Coat of Arms.



Hear Ye, Hear Ye, Hear Ye, Announcing...

TCA Dues Update

It's time to renew your membership. Because we want association membership to be affordable to all, TCA has never before raised the cost of dues and is only doing so modestly now in spite of significant increase in all costs.

The 2008 dues are \$24.00 per primary member and \$12.00 for a spouse or student.

Those who have already renewed at the 2007 rate are not required to send any additional payment for 2008.

Please renew right away online at www.turnbullclan.com or by mailing a check to:

Janet Schwierking, 2020 Schuettig Rd., Poteet, TX, 78065

Birthday Celebrated in True Turnbull Style



An Invitation – Hawick Reivers Festival

I am pleased to confirm the dates for Hawick Reivers Festival 2008. The event which has now established itself in the Borders Calendar will be held from 21st to 23rd March 2008. Information can be obtained from our website

www.hawickreivers.com Catherine Elliott (Chairman)

Editor's note: If you are planning on attending, George Turnbull is scheduled to give an update on TCA, Scotland on Saturday at 3:00.

The dedication of the Turning of the Bull monument is scheduled to take place at this event in 2009!

Happy Birthday Adriana!

Adriana Turnbull Rosado Bonewitz and husband Derick Bonewitz were pleased to have Adriana's tartan recreated as part of her birthday cake for her recent celebration.

Congratulations, Adriana.



Turnbull Items for Sale

Alice Morgan is selling an ancient tartan Turnbull kilt (waist 45 1/2") complete with a Prince Charlie waistcoat and jacket (size 46), ancient Turnbull kilt flashes, ancient tartan sash, silver thistle buckle, gold celtic buckle, an XL Jacobite shirt, argyle stockings, dress seal skin sporran, semi-dress sporran, kilt pins, black belt, and sgian dubh with a topaz stone. She says that all are in pristine condition having only been worn twice. She is willing to negotiate a package price or sell individually. Contact Alice at ammorgan1@verizon.net, by phone at 207-239-7399, or by correspondence to P.O. Box 477, Millinocket, Maine, 04462.



Happy Birthday

Camden Rutherford Turnbull, Drew Carr, Dana W. Turnbull, Girija Karamcheti Turnbull, Phyllis Paxton, Dale R. Hilding, Anthony R. Turnbull, Nancy J. Turnbull, , Donna Brown, Mary Kay Hilding, William G. Rule,

Joan S. Sjostrom, Robert B. Starke Jr., George W. Turnbull IV, William Bozman, Robert Trimble, Mark J. Turnbull, Dennis Turnbull, Carol Turnbull Kugler, Robert Owen Turnbull, Timothy. Jennings, Virginia Trimble, Murray T. Turnbull, Thomas Turnbull Brown, and Dawn Day



Hello all,

Wanted to wish you all Happy Holidays!

Renewal time is here, so I am here with a suggestion regarding the Email addresses. They are as important to us as your regular mailing address. Please remember to send us any changes or new email addresses. Please print clearly, or easier yet send me an email Jschwk@aol.com with address in the subject line. I hope all of you will renew, and we are looking forward to a wonderful new year.

Janet



CD!

While we wait for the arrival of the complete translation of the tantalizing document in Dutch, here is something else to ponder. We know Turnbuls have distinguished themselves in many fields - including cattle rustling! Sometimes when we reminisce about our ancestors, the border wars and thieving come to mind. Yet, if anyone was to argue as to the impact our family has had over the ages, we can brag about someone all of us know: the founder of Glasgow University Bishop Turnbull.

Here now is a brief list of other Turnbulls maybe not as famous but very important: Dr. Colin Turnbull (anthropologist author of *The Forest People* [on the Mbuti Pygmies of Zaire]), Malcolm Turnbull, from Australia who is a lawyer and Minister for the the Environment and Water Resources, Margaret Turnbull with the Department of Terrestrial Magnetism of the Carnegie Institute of Washington, Doug Turnbull, antique fire-arms restorer.



Margaret Turnbull



Dr. Colin Turnbull



Doug Turnbull

(turnbullrestoration.com)

We have missionaries, costume designers, translators, merchants, scientists, and explorers. The last name should not be taken in vain when it also represents a store as fine as Turnbull and Asser described in their website as: "Since 1885, Turnbull and Asser has served successive Princes of Wales, Sir Winston Churchill and countless other leaders and celebrities - even fictional characters such as James Bond." We also boast of the admirable Turnbulls who founded the wine cellars in the Napa Valley or Ross Turnbull Irvine purveyor of our fine whisky.

We have started to explore how far and wide we have gone. Let's follow the trails and clues for awhile and try to discover how many professions and how far-reaching our work and contributions have gone. Aren't you intrigued and proud? Know any interesting professions to add to our list?

Until the next "how interesting."

A. clan detective

Contributions to this column are solicited and welcomed at detective@turnbullclan.com

Hawick Wins Border Derby Defeats Rival Melrose Team



The largest crowd seen at Mansfield Park, Hawick, for a long time, came in anticipation of a keenly fought Border Derby between old rivals Hawick and Melrose. Amongst the large crowd were MP Michael Moore and his ex boss Sir Ming Campbell. They were treated to an excellent clash between the two sides, played in beautiful conditions which must have been seen as a good advertisement for Border rugby. The bruising encounter between local rivals Hawick and Melrose saw the Hawick Greens clinch a deserved win.

It began to look ominous as Melrose launched an attack and hooker Wayne Mitchell scored with ease and even more so when winger Callum Anderson blazed up the blind side with the defense posted missing. "We do have a habit of giving teams a start and we did it again," Hawick coach Jim Hay said. "Luckily for us we got back into the game and the try just before half-time was crucial."

Hawick Prop Brad Turnbull got the first from short range and then a quick-thinking penalty tap allowed stand off Rory Hutton to wriggle over, restoring a lead that would never be relinquished again. In the end, while the visitors had the advantage in size and strength at the set-piece, they were no match for the Hawick midfield and back row. Hawick's scorers Craig Neish, Simon



Brad Turnbull

Fleetwood and Brad Turnbull all turned in solid performances. Hawick 30 - Melrose 22