

NO BULL TOURS: BIKE THE BORDERS

Unveiling a monument that celebrates your heritage is reason enough to make a trip to Scotland. But the special tours and events surrounding the day are icing on the cake. Thanks to exciting opportunities such as biking the borders, a Turnbull historical tour, and The Gathering of the Clans you can turn a once-in-a-lifetime moment into a family vacation that will be remembered for the rest of your life.

Join Allen and Mary Turnbull next summer as they **Bike the Borders** July 19-24, 2009 to raise money for the Turning of the Bull statue that will be unveiled July 18 in Hawick.

This six-day biking tour, incorporating many of the Turnbull Trails sites, will start near Hawick and end on Holy Island on the North Sea coast. Riders will follow the gentle contours of the River Tweed traveling the Tweed Cycleway. Along the way the group will overnight in Melrose, Kelso, and Berwick-on-Tweed.

The tour will be supported by a van carrying luggage and giving a lift to anyone needing it. Mileage will vary from 20 – 40 miles per day at a leisurely pace. You'll have ample time for sightseeing, taking lots of photos, and pub stops. Accommodations and most meals will be included in the tour cost of \$1,500 – \$1,800 (price to be set in November).

The goal is to raise \$4,000 for the monument by contributing \$200 of each participant's fee. The tour is limited to 20 cyclists.

Email Allen and Mary at aturnbull@verizon.net, or call 757-229-4046 for detailed information. Allen and Mary live



Allen and Mary Turnbull have over 20 years of experience in organizing international bike tours.

in Williamsburg, Virginia and have organized and led international bike tours for over 20 years.

Alastair Cranston is another seasoned tour leader. He will be offering a **Turnbull Historical Tour** of the Borders. Alastair accompanied the 2007 AGM group throughout their Borders tour and is well familiar with the history and sites of Turnbull interest. The tour will coincide with the Turning of the Bull monument dedication. Places you'll visit include Hawick, Minto, Bedrule Kirk and Castle Mound, Fatlips Castle, Fulton Tower and Jedburgh. For more details, you can contact Alastair at alastair@borders.demon.co.uk.

Whether you choose one of the above tours or venture out on your own, you'll want to be sure to stay for

The Gathering of the Clans in Edinburgh on July 25 – 26. This is a chance to be a part of history and join clan members from around the world in the the largest ever Highland Games to be held in Holyrood Park. For more information on The Gathering and other events planned for 2009 Homecoming Scotland visit: www.homecomingscotland.com

It is not too early to start planning. For more information about travel, including options on places to stay see page 3 and watch for updates in coming *Bullseyes*.

Remember it all begins July 18, 2009.



This is just one of the many magnificent scenes you will witness in the Borders. Just imagine that you might stand in the same fields and travel over some of the same paths as your ancestors.

From the President

Many of you know that I love proverbs, adages, and idioms. I've even written the book *Hidden Meanings* compiling many of the proverbs of Haiti. One of my favorites is "Don't throw out your old kettle when you buy a new one." This speaks to the value of reliability and tradition. Another appropriate idiom would be "The more things change, the more they stay the same."



Until the next round of elections in the fall of 2009 Janet Turnbull Schwierking is back in the Secretary driver's seat. Fiona Turnbull wanted to do the job and certainly could have done the job were it not for unexpected responsibilities in her work. The library where she is employed has begun an unexpected major change which will require all of Fiona's time for an extended period so she had to, regretfully, beg off the TCA Secretary position.

We can't thank Janet enough for stepping up to the plate again. We know its not the direction she was planning to take - but then that's Janet - always thinking of TCA and her extended family.

These things happen, we do understand and Janet will keep the ship on course but we need new blood and energy to keep our clan association moving. It would sure be nice to have more than one candidate for each position the next time we elect our officers. Your clan needs you. Please consider what role you might be willing to play.

Sharing and Caring

Our thoughts and prayers are with Jan Hall as she recovers from recurring laryngitis.

We keep Mavis Lockwood in our thoughts as she continues treatment for eye problems and are thankful they are going well.

Please remember Edward Schell as he recovers from a broken hip due to a recent fall.

BULLSEYE

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Turnbull Family News

TCA's Pat Turnbull from Southland, New Zealand, was recently recognized for her work in genealogy and conservation efforts. Pat has continued the conservationist work begun by herself and her late husband, Dereck. She is also well known for her detailed work as a genealogist.

Together Pat and Dereck set up the Turnbull Family Reserve. The area, known as Sherwood Forest, is managed in a way which offers best long term security for the bush. An important aspect of the management has been the promotion of enjoyment of the bush and its abundant population of native birds by the community and an appreciation of the ecological values involved.

Recently, the students of the Hedgehope School each planted a tree at the edge of the forest on the banks of the Makarewa River. Pat believes in the importance of teaching conservation to today's youth, saying "It's at the top of the list." The project will involve more planting and clearing of woods. The children will return once a term to continue their efforts. Not only will they have the satisfaction of seeing their trees grow, they will be actively giving back to the community.



Pat Turnbull, recent recipient of the Clan Member of the Year Award, proudly displays the award along with her Turning of the Bull statue from her home in New Zealand.

Pat's second passion as a genealogist began decades ago. She has spent countless time assembling names and stories of her and her husband's ancestors, grow-

ing an extensive family tree. Pat says that with six children, genealogy sometimes had to take a backseat.

Pat now has an extensive library of files and documents, taking her family back to the 1600s. "Every ancestor I can find, I've got a file for," she says. That makes about 76 files of about 100 pages each! Pat plans to publish a book on each and has already published one about the life of her mother. Pat is also preparing a Turnbull Museum and Library.

One of the accomplishments that pleases Pat the most is being a part of concerned citizens who saved The Scottish Hall in Invercargill from destruction. The hall served to preserve the traditions and culture of Scotland to the many immigrants past and present from the same country. Twice the Hall was scheduled for destruction, but Pat and others were successful in having it turned over to the Scottish Hall Community Trust and therefore guarantee its future.

YOU'RE INVITED TO A CELEBRATION IN AUSTRALIA!

A bicentenary celebration will be held on 20th June, 2009 to honour Ebenezer Church, the oldest existing church in Australia still active today.

Ebenezer Church was established by eight families after their arrival in Portland Head on the Hawkesbury River. These families – Davison, Hall, Howe, Johnston, Johnstone, Mein, Stubbs and Turnbull were granted a 100 acre land grant to settle together.

The Ebenezer Church was built in 1809. It is constructed from locally obtained materials. These materials include sandstone, cedar wood and hardwood.



*The Ebenezer Church is Australia's oldest church, established in 1809.
Photo Michael Szabath*

John Turnbull, his wife, Ann Warr, and their four oldest children were among those first settlers. They came to Australia as free settlers on the Coromandel departing

London, England, on 12th February, 1802, and arriving in Sydney Cove at 3 o'clock on the afternoon of Sunday, 13th June, 1802. Over the next few years, three more

sons were born and this family became the nucleus of the Coromandel Turnbells, now settled throughout Australia.

Descendants of the John and Ann Turnbull Clan will be gathering on 20th June, 2009, at Ebenezer Church to help celebrate the bicentenary of this grand old Presbyterian Church built in 1809.

Commemorative headstones may be seen in the Ebenezer cemetery along with other Turnbull Clan headstones.

For more information contact Marie Turnbull at email: goose2fly@yahoo.com.au. See the official Turnbull Clan invitation at www.turnbullclan.com.

PLANNING A TRIP TO SCOTLAND? TIPS FOR TRAVEL

If you are planning a trip to Scotland, several options exist for you to consider as you plan where you will stay and how you will get there.

The Borders is composed of mostly small villages and towns. Large hotel chains do not exist. While Edinburgh could be close enough for outings if you are driving, you miss the rolling meadows and rustic beauty of the Borders' countryside. The best trip might have a bit of both worlds.

Where you stay depends a lot on how you plan to get around. If you are hiring a car and planning on driving, your options increase. However, do not despair if driving on the other side of the road and trying to find small obscure places leaves you a bit anxious.

Transportation options are numerous. Local bus lines are very reasonable and regular. Taxis are available within towns and it is even possible to hire a driver for a few hours, days or the week.

From small hotel options to the many bed and breakfasts throughout the Borders there are many options. If you are coming with several people or making this a family trip don't rule out renting a house.

As far as air travel goes, don't forget about smaller airlines. Check out Air Lingus or other airlines based in Europe. They often have cheaper fares and more seats available.

Perhaps one of the Turnbull sponsored tours (see page 1) is how you want to spend your days in Scotland or maybe you want to rent a car and visit some of the old family stomping grounds. There are also tour agencies in Scotland to take you just about anywhere you want to go, including golf tours and whisky trail tours.

Whatever you choose, a little pre-planning can go a long way in making this one of the most memorable times of your life! (See the adjacent links for help in getting started.)

Places to stay:

www.thetownhousemelrose.co.uk

www.burtshotel.co.uk

www.holidaylettings.co.uk/south-borders

www.cottages-online.co.uk

www.historic-uk.com

www.scotland-holiday-cottage.com

www.mansfield-house.com

www.bedandbreakfast-directory.co.uk

www.visitsouthernscotland.com

About Air Travel:

www.AerLingus.com

www.BritishAirways.com

www.flyglobalspan.com

www.flybmi.com

www.cheapflights.co.uk

www.1800flyeurope.com

www.aa.com

www.united.com

www.usairways.com

About Land Travel:

www.totaltravel.co.uk/travel/Scotland/scottish-borders/directory/transport

www.firstgroup.com/ukbus/scotland/sescot/home/



David Scott Turnbull and Adaira Sue Davis, both from Northern Kentucky, were married on Saturday, July 26, 2008 at The Madison in Covington, Kentucky. Adaira was led to the alter by Dave Mason, Pipe Major for the Cincinnati Caledoneons where Scott presented her with the Turnbull Dress Tartan. Scott, as a Knight's Templar, yielded his sword to Adaira. This is an act showing his deepest love and devotion to no other. Mr. and Mrs. Turnbull reside in Burlington, Kentucky.

**CONGRATULATIONS SCOTT AND ADAIRA
FROM YOUR TCA FAMILY.**

La Breith Sonal Happy Birthday!

Happy September Birthday to:

Norma Cummm, Elizabeth Woodbury, Marilyn Jennings, Mavis Lockwood, Edith Turnbull, Angela Turnbull, Kathy Chase, Silvia Turnbull, Elizabeth R. Turnbull, Nancy Mykel, Maxwell Day, Bly Schwierking, John Rule, Theodore Blake II, Catharine McKenty, Dorinda Wolentarski, Margaret Trimble, Keith Turnbull, H. Rutherford Turnbull, Turner B. Turnbull, Betty Turnbull, Martin Cohen, Yvonne Turnbull, Ian S. Turnbull, J. N. Trimble, Miguel Pinto Turnbull, Sherron Trimble, James N. R. Turnbull, and Faith Whittier



The Turnbull Tiny House

Elizabeth Turnbull, a 26 Yale University graduate student is studying environmental management. Elizabeth has taken her interest in green living to a whole new dimension – 8 feet x 18 feet to be exact.

With the help of friends and volunteers, Elizabeth constructed a Tiny House in which she plans to live while a student at Yale. She estimated that it would cost her about \$14,000 per year to live, Elizabeth set that amount as her goal to build an environmentally friendly home. She accomplished this under budget.

Elizabeth's big goals for a small house included making it lovely to inhabit, using recycled materials where possible, building without VOCs or toxic materials, reducing the number of appliances, using LED and halogen lights, insulating well with natural materials, and to locate close enough to bike or walk to school. In addition, she hopes to educate and inspire others and open the tiny house to Yale and New Haven as a learning and demonstration opportunity.



Elizabeth was able to customize her house to fit her needs.

Elizabeth thinks she will probably pay about \$200 per year to heat and cook with propane gas. She plans on lighting the house and powering her laptop from the the three solar panels on the house. Elizabeth is just under 6 feet tall. She was able to do some customizing with higher than normal countertops and a 13 foot high ceiling

The Tiny House has solar power, a composting toilet, a kitchen, a loft for sleeping, and a generous workspace. And appropriately, it is painted green.



For more visit www.turnbulltinyhouse.blogspot.com/

MONUMENT PROGRESS REPORT

Artist Angela Hunter reports that progress is right on target. "The foundry people are coming on Thursday to make a start on the mould, so I am working on the finer details, sharpening edges etc. before they paint the silicone rubber on." says Angela.

Note the wonderful detail Angela has added to make this monument come to life. From William's boots and knife to his muscles to the bull's head, no detail has been left out.

Wow! Time is moving - and while Angela might be right on target, fundraising still needs a boost! With over \$80,000 still needed to complete the project, TCA needs your help!

As part of the search for home, a heritage seeker wants to find a place to call his or her own, a place that will be more than a museum. This monument will be that focal point. Just think what this monument will mean to Turnbells today and in future generations.

Each one of us can have a part in making history! TCA is asking each member to help raise the additional funds needed. If you haven't donated towards this historical event - one that will preserve the Turnbull name in the Borders forever - please consider doing so.

The Foundry will require a deposit soon and Angela's final payment will be due when she completes her part of the work.

One member who wanted to be a part but had limited funds suggested a pledged amount that will be given in the form of payments over the next year. Perhaps others would like to follow that example.

Every contribution of \$500 or more receives an official Turnbull Arms Flag flown by the Baron of Bedrule over the Turnbull Bedrule Castle Mound.

Once these flags are finished, there will be no more. If you would like to obtain one of these flags, but cannot contribute \$500 at one time, you may make a pledge of \$500 and a flag will be saved for you. But you must act soon, as flags are in short supply.

Contributors of \$5000 or more, receive a desk or pedestal sized bronze version of the Turning of the Bull Monument. These are incredible and truly something to treasure.

There are other ways to help. Host a fund raiser - dinner and entertainment in return for donations - let the teens host a car wash with proceeds going to the monument - ask each of your extended family members to contribute ☺. Whatever you can do will be greatly appreciated.

Online donations can be made at www.turnbullclan.com.

Follow the monument links. Checks payable to TCA to:

William C. Trimble

2125 Bluejay Ln

West Richland WA 99353

Donations are tax deductible.

Let's join together and show the Borders and the world that Turnbells are still making history!



Details help bring life to the Turning of the Bull Monument. Artist Angela Hunter reports that work and preparations on right on schedule.





It is nearly Fall, at least in the Northern hemisphere and a favorite activity in the U.S. is to go apple picking. For those living in the Southern hemisphere and more specifically in Australia, when the time comes, there is a wonderful place in Ardmona, Victoria. It is the Turnbull Orchards, established in 1892!



Fourth generation Ross Turnbull with sons Chris & Philip now manage the business.

“Turnbull Orchards is a family run business with over 100 years experience growing fruit in the Goulburn Valley region of Victoria. When Edward Turnbull and his three children arrived here in 1892, he planted an acorn to mark the

boundary of his newly purchased land. Now a towering Oak tree, its growth is symbolic of Turnbull Orchards expansion into one of the larger fruit growers in Australia.”

The business now involves, growing, exporting and significant participation in SPC Ardmona, Australia’s largest fruit processor. Currently, Ross (4th generation), Chris & Philip (5th generation) Turnbull manage the business.

If anyone is heading that direction or live near and want to learn about picking fruit, here is a schedule:

Cherries: Nov/Dec
Pears: Jan/Feb/Mar
Peaches: Jan/Feb
Plums: Feb
Apples: March/April

This is another example of the great work that Turnbulls do around the world and how far reaching that is! To read a lot more about this go to:

www.turnbullorchards.com/fruit_picking_melbourne.html

Until the next “isn’t that interesting?”

A. Turnbull Clan Detective

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



Dale and Mary Kay Hilding and Bill Trimble in front of the tent (with Angus Turnbull - official honorary member of the TCA from the 1500s).

First Highland Games Of Baker, Oregon Has Turnbull Representation

Dale and Mary Kay Hilding report:

“Clan Turnbull was present at the new (1st year) Highland Games in Baker, Oregon. We were one of 7 clan tents set up and marched, in costume, in the Clan Parade.” Bill and Pat Trimble of W. Richland, WA paid a visit to the Hildings and the Baker Games.

This was the third game of this summer at which the Hildings represented Clan Turnbull. The others were the Prosser, Washington games and the Athena, Oregon games.

La Breith Sona! Happy Birthday!



Happy October Birthday to:

Cara Cox, Dennis Hagerman, Gordon Turnbull Jr, Carolyn Turnbull, James Olson, Carlos Rosado de Palacio, Helen Divoll, Elaine Weller, Lynette Neibert, Glenn McConkey, Jeffery S. Turnbull, John Rodney Turnbull, Bradley Trimble, Agnes Corns, John Gibson III, Helen Goody, Olive Turnbull, Wilma Ledgerwood, David Walton, Pamela Lucas, Roland Bonewitz and William C. Turnbull



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Netta Turnbull
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