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## NEW YEAR - NEW LOOK

TCA welcomes you to a new year and a new look to our online presence. Webmaster and TCA vice-president Brian Turnbull has been working hard to launch the new web site design for January 2009.

The new design includes photo slide shows as well as links to other sites with audio, video and news of interest to Turnbulls world-wide. Interested visitors are encourage to register. By registering, one is acknowledging an interest and will be able to keep up with special news updates during the year.

Members may register to access the Members Only section which gives admittance to current *Bullseye* Publications, the Bullpen and other items that membership accords. (See *Bullpen* update on page 6.)

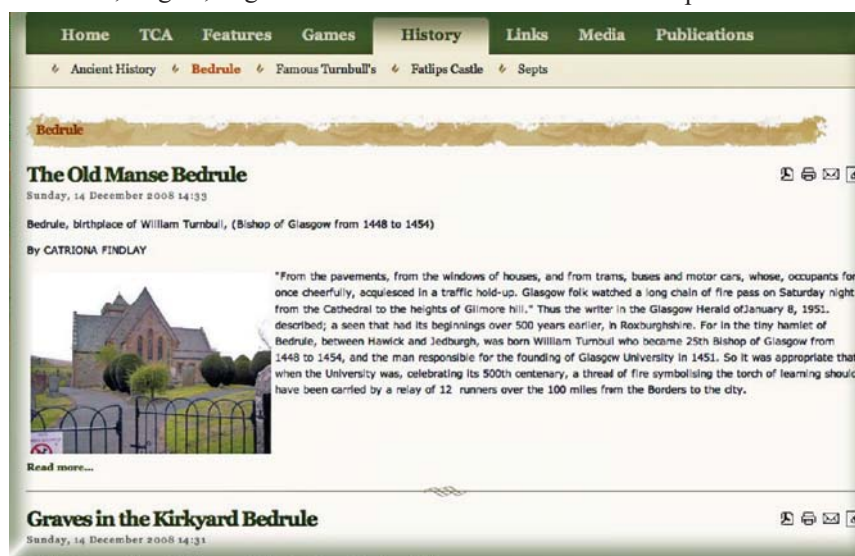
The site is a wealth of information containing news about Turnbulls, origins, Highland Games activities and more. In-

cluded on the site is the largest existing Turnbull genealogy search engine. The genealogy section has over 56,000 names and has been accessed by over 20,000 people.

One of the nicest new features is a search box found at the top right of the page. This allows the visitor to search for particular information or perhaps a person's name. The re-

sults display any articles or pages relevant to the search.

Be sure to check out the Features section. Members are encouraged to submit items for the Virtual Museum or art gallery. Another fun area is the Media section. The Images tabs contain members photo albums with some beautiful pictures including many of the Borders in Scotland. To set up a photo album in this section, contact [webmaster@turnbullclan.com](mailto:webmaster@turnbullclan.com) for instructions. Also in the Media section are tabs for audio and video linking to some historical Turnbull Clan events as well as current happenings. The web address has stayed the same, [www.turnbullclan.com](http://www.turnbullclan.com). If you have visited the site recently you may have to refresh your page before entering. Happy navigating!



The tabs link to pages within the web site with interesting features and articles. Above, information about Bedrule Kirk as well as grave site names are found within the History tab.

### From the President

Resolve to adopt an ugly dog and plant some flowers.

Pounds everywhere report that when time are difficult economically people adopt more ugly dogs than when things are going well. Similarly, my horticulture friends tell me that their business always does better when the economy is



down. Flowers may not be essential but they are helpful because they are an affordable way to show optimism and bring cheer.

Resolve to adopt an ugly dog by taking on a needed task no one wants to do. Behind the scene jobs which require an on-going commitment are often the ones which serve the greatest number of people. Thank-yous are nice but pass quickly while the self satisfaction of service endures.

Resolve to plant a lot of flowers this year by encouraging others. The right word will not only lift a person's spirits but can sometimes literally change that person's entire life. Make your good wishes more personal by making them specific. Tip your waiter but also thank him for serving you. Write someone you don't even know a compliment for doing something admirable. Forgive mistakes, hold back criticism, and be generous with compliments. Make the world a better place this year with your actions and your words.

Resolve to include your extended family clan in your service. Sponsor a member, write a story to share in the *Bullseye*, contribute to the monument, add some items to the virtual museum, run for office in the clan election this year, or run a tent at your local Scottish games. We will all appreciate your contribution and what's more important, you will be pleased.

### BULLSEYE

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### Turnbull Clan Association

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### Meet the Family

George and Rae Turnbull received Bachelor of Fine Arts degrees from Carnegie Mellon University. They are both accomplished artists and have been able to use their diverse talents to compliment one another.

George, a very successful graphic designer, is the founder of Turnbull and Associates, a design firm. His Master of Fine Arts was earned at the University of Southern California. His career has included professorships at California State University and Chico State University.



George now enjoys a career as a fine arts painter. His works include western ranch scenes and floral still lifes. His paintings hang in many notable places, as well as fine home collections. His painting "9:11:01" is part of the permanent collection at the George Bush Presidential Library in Texas.

*9:11:01 by George Turnbull*



Rae Turnbull is a published author known for her 20 years as a syndicated poetic essay columnist. Rae is also a teacher and artist. She conducts drawing and calligraphy workshops and seminars. Rae has nearly 3000 original poetic essays in publication. In addition she and George have published and illustrated several books of poetry. To learn more about the Turnbells and their work visit [www.georgeturnbull.com](http://www.georgeturnbull.com).



George and Rae Turnbull's individual artistic styles will be displayed in a January show titled "Turnbull and Turnbull" at the Orland Center for the Arts, Orland, CA. The show will run through January 17th. If you live or are close to Orland, CA be sure to pay a visit to their show at the Orland Center for the Arts.



# FOR TCA, 2008, AN INTERNATIONAL YEAR



TO ALL AND SUNDRY WHOM THESE PRESENTS DO OR MAY CONCERN  
WE William David Hamilton Sellar, Lord Lyon King of Arms, send Greeting: Whereas,

## TURNBULL CLAN ASSOCIATION, INC.



with Registered Office at 1010 East Main Street, Livingston, Tennessee, United States of America, having by Petition unto Us of date 12 April 2005 **Shown** THAT the said Turnbull Clan Association, Inc. was incorporated as a non-profit corporation in the State of Tennessee of date 29 May 1998; THAT the said Association's purpose and objective is to be an educational, secular, non-profit organization dedicated to the perpetuation of the Scottish-Celtic culture, traditions, customs, literature, music and art; AND the Petitioners having prayed there might be granted unto them such Ensigns Armorial as might be found suitable and according to the Laws of Arms **KNOW YE** THEREFORE that We have Advised, and Do by These Presents Assign, Ratify and Confirm unto the Petitioners the following Ensigns Armorial, as depicted upon the margin hereof, and...  
Public Register of All Arms and Bearings in Scotland, **VIDELICET**: Argent, a bull's head erased, Sable within a double orle naved of eight Celtic knots Gules. Above the Shield is placed an... Helm suitable to an Incorporation (videlicet): a scroll proper lined Gules with a Mantling Sable doubled Argent, and on a Wreath of the Laveres is set for Crest a bull's head erased Sable, within a double chaplet naved of eight Celtic knots Gules, and in an Escrol over the same this Motto "AUDACI FAVET FORTUNA"; by demonstration of which Ensigns Armorial the Association is amongst all Nobles and in all places of Honour to be taken, numbered, accounted and received as an Association Noble in the Noblesse of Scotland; **IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF** We have subscribed These Presents and the Seal of Our Office is affixed hereunto at Edinburgh, this 18th day of March in the 57th Year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Lady Elizabeth the Second by the Northern Ireland, Commonwealth, Thousand.

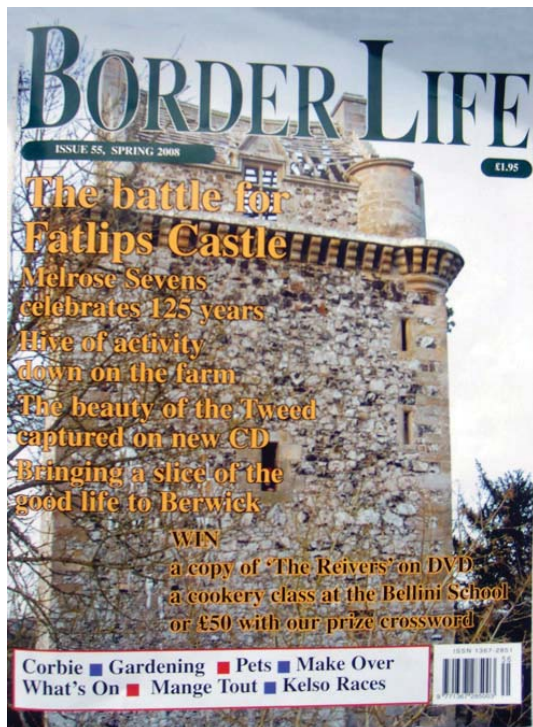
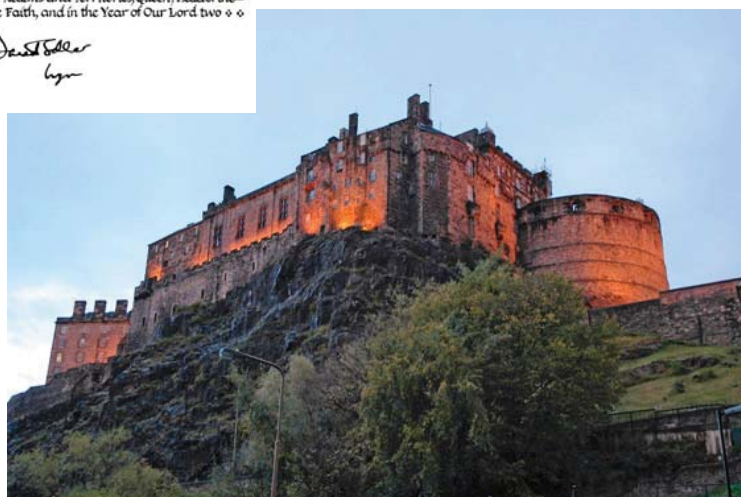


*David Sellar  
Lyon*

In 2007, the Lord Lyon of Scotland granted TCA its official Coat of Arms. In mid 2008 the warrant was fully executed by a heraldic artist and was signed by the Lord Lyon and presented to TCA.

The Official Ensigns Armorial now appears in the bound book of the Public Register of All Arms and Bearings in Scotland. This register is maintained in the office of the Lord Lyon in Edinburgh. The Turnbull Clan Coat of Arms appears on the 39th page of Volume 81.

Scotland began preparing for "Homecoming Scotland 2009" and TCA was not far behind. Planning for the July 18, 2009 unveiling of the Turning of the Bull Monument has begun. The date was chosen to go along with The Gathering - expected to be the largest gathering of clans ever on the 25th and 26th of July. Turnbull Clan will not be left out. Scotland TCA members are sponsoring a Turnbull tent and are busy planning activities to celebrate this historical occasion. Right, historic Edinburgh Castle plays a role in the Edinburgh festivities.



Patricia Turnbull of New Zealand was presented with the Clan Member of the Year award. Pat and her late husband Derek Turnbull established the Turnbull Family Reserve to protect and preserve the environment. Pat has been active in Turnbull and Scottish activities for years and is presently working on a Turnbull Museum.

TCA is honored to be among those actively supporting the efforts to save Fatlips Castle. To learn more about this, visit the web site and search for Fatlips.





# FOR TCA, 2008, A MONUMENTAL YEAR



From a person's dream to see the Turnbells recognized in the Borders to an artist's sketch pad, 2008 has seen life come to the Turning of the Bull Monument. Wally Turnbull dreamed of a Turnbull heritage point. The dream took life when the Hawick Heritage Hub gave the monument a home. Artist Angela Hunter began researching the period during the time when William Rule turned the Bull to save King Robert the Bruce. She started sketching until she was pleased that she had it right. Then the work began and the



monument took form. 2008 followed the sketches as they took on shape. From the bull's head to clothing William, each step was carefully documented. The monument is now at the foundry being molded for the next step to completion. For a complete picture of the whole story or to donate to this monumental project visit [www.turnbullclan.com](http://www.turnbullclan.com). The monument will be unveiled in Hawick on July



18, 2009. Funds are still urgently needed to see this dream fully come true. Stay tuned for more on the events surrounding the unveiling. If ever you wanted to visit Scotland, this would be a great year to do it!





# FOR TCA, 2008, A FAMILY YEAR

The 2008 AGM (Annual General Meeting) of TCA was held in the beautiful mountains of North Carolina at the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games. A wonderful turnout included members from as far away as Washington state and Canada to some from right down the road in North Carolina.

In addition to the annual meeting, attendees enjoyed watching the games competition, sheep herding demonstrations, dancing, music and more. A banquet included a short video highlighting the 2007 AGM in Scotland, good food and lots of fun.

A special visit was paid to us by Mr. and Mrs. John Batty. Mr. Batty is an arms and amour consultant to Lyon and Turnbull in Edinburgh, Scotland.

Scott Turnbull was named a TCA Trustee. He is seen here with Adaira Davis, hosting the 2008 AGM at the Grandfather Mountain games. Adaira became Mrs. Scott Turnbull two weeks later. Congrats!



## *flowers of the forest*

*Remembering TCA Family and friends...*

Jean Woodcock  
Randolph Morris Turnbull  
James Trumble  
Frank Timoney  
Ellen Turnbull Lynch



*Thanks to all of you who participated in the 2008 "find the Bullseye" contests.*

### **The 2008 Winners of the Find the Bullseye**

William D. Turnbull  
Rowena Magrecki  
Janis Dairiki  
Fiona Turnbull  
Glenn Turnbull  
Sarah Turnbull  
Netta Turnbull  
Kim Trimble  
Kathy Trimble Chase  
Pat Trimble



*TCA says goodbye to a loyal and vital part of the Turnbull Clan. James Trumble will be missed. Above, James, the Lord Lyon and Scott Turnbull, Stone Mountain, GA.*



In 2003, TCA added a “club within the club” called the Bullpen. The Bullpen was established for those who want to have friendly exchange with members of the worldwide Turnbull family by serving as local resources and exchanging ideas. While many TCA members have joined the Bullpen, a venue for exchange has limited its activities.

Exciting news is on the horizon for Bullpen members and those who wish to become members. An interacting social network is being developed for TCA members with a special area for Bullpen members. Members will be able to exchange information, photos, thoughts, tour information, and more.

Stayed tuned for more information on how you can participate and take advantage of the wonderful opportunity to interact with one another.

### Renew Your Membership for 2009

If you haven't already done so, renew your membership. 2009 is going to be an historical year for Turnbolls worldwide, not a year to be left out!

Renew online at [www.turnbullclan.com](http://www.turnbullclan.com) or by check payable to TCA and sent to:

Janet Schwierking - 2020 Schuettig Rd. Poteet, TX 78065



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**And the Winner of December's contest is...**  
**Pat Trimble**  
**Congratulations!**

### La Breith Sona! Happy Birthday!



Florence Kuntz, John D. Turnbull, Lynn Turnbull McConkey, JoAnne Turnbull, Norman J. Turnbull, Kim L. Trimble, Nelson Weller, Susan Rashid, Christopher N. Turnbull, Sue Ann Gallant, Sarah C. Turnbull, Betty Jean Turnbull, Andrew M. Turnbull, Howard L. Trimble, Sylvia A. Turnbull, Paul Forgette, William C. Trimble

**May health & happiness come your way & love fill your heart throughout each day. Happy New Year to all!**

## Hawick Prepares for Reivers Festival

*Excerpt from [www.hawickreivers.com](http://www.hawickreivers.com)*

“Names like Scott, Elliot, Armstrong and Turnbull are famous the world over but what of their roots in the small often forgotten area of Scotland which is the Border country? Hawick is at the centre of this historic area and is steeped in the history of the Reivers, the life they lead and the part that life played in the shaping of the character of modern day “Borderers” wherever they may live!



*Photo by Alastair Learmonth*

From 27th to 29th March 2009, Hawick steps back in time to the 16th century and through drama, song, poetry and re-enactments invites visitors and towns-people alike to experience life in this turbulent, often violent, but very colourful period in our history. A full programme of activities is planned many of which are free to the public and include demonstrations of falconry, archery and horsemanship, a look at craftsmen of the times and dramatic re-enactments. There are also concerts, guided walks, historical lectures and many other activities.” Note the dates and plan to participate if you are in the area.

### July Border Tours - Don't Miss Out!

Remember when 2009 seemed far away? There was plenty of time to plan a trip for the unveiling of the Turning of the Bull Monument. 2009 is here and July will be upon us before you know it.

If you are interested in either of the tours being offered during the week of activities directly following the monument unveiling, you need to let the tour directors know soon.

Alastair Cranston is offering a Turnbull/Historical Borders tour featuring the major Turnbull sites among the Borders as well as other historical points of interest. He needs to know before January 20 if you are interested in joining this tour. An interest in no way commits you to the tour, but it does get your name on the list of a tour that is sure to fill to maximum capacity. Contact him at [alastair@borders.demon.co.uk](mailto:alastair@borders.demon.co.uk). (Details Dec. 2008 *Bullseye*)

Allen and Mary Turnbull are offering a Bike the Borders tour July 19-24 to include Turnbull stops along the way. They have conducted bike tours throughout the world. The Turnbull tour will not only provide a wonderful opportunity to enjoy the beauty of the Borders, but is also a fund raiser for the monument. Contact [aturnbull@verizon.net](mailto:aturnbull@verizon.net). (Details Oct. 2008 *Bullseye*)