

THE COUNTDOWN BEGINS...

First years, then months, then weeks and now days! That's right it's down to days!

The time of the *Turning of the Bull* Monument installation and unveiling can be measured in days!

As this is being written the delivery and installation plans are taking place.

Words like clay, molds, and bronze are being replaced with lorries, cranes, drills and plinth. The foundry has confirmed delivery the week of 13th for the unveiling ceremonies on the 18th.

Artist Angela Hunter has been spending a lot of time at the foundry making sure that this multi-year project comes together perfectly. Her last job before making sure William and the bull are positioned just right and ready for the unveiling, is working with the foundry on the desired patina. The patina provides a protective layer to the bronze to prevent it from oxidizing and adds color and uniformity to the statue.

A patina is a chemical that colors the surface of the bronze statue and can be applied by spraying or painting the statue. Various kinds of patina give various colors, hues and shades. Some of the chemicals that might be used in the patina include salts, ammonia and nitrites. Angela is making sure that the *Turning of the Bull* will have just the right color and hues.

On delivery day, the statue will be loaded by crane onto a very large lorry and transported to the Hawick Heritage Hub where another crane will be waiting to unload it and place it onto the prepared plinth. The plinth is a base that is covered in granite on which the *Turning of the Bull* will be mounted



The Turning of the Bull monument is almost finished. Above, the welding joints and numerous pieces of the monument will become one and ready for installation when the patina is applied.

and find its permanent home.

If envisioning a very large truck, a crane and a very heavy statue dangling in the air doesn't make you shutter just a little, add to the mix that the roads are quite narrow and the Heritage Hub courtyard is surrounded by buildings and obstacles making entry even more daring.

Once the statue is placed on the plinth, it needs to be secured. The bronze base on which William and the bull are standing was made with holes in it for this purpose. Holes will be drilled into place on the plinth and the statue will be mounted onto its permanent home.

A wooden frame will be put around the finished piece and covered to protect it until the unveiling day. Needless to say there is lots of excitement in Hawick and the Borders as everything comes together.



Angela Hunter works with someone from Powderhall Foundry on the finishing touches of the Turning of the Bull monument, to be unveiled in Hawick the 18th of July 2009.

From the President

by Wally Turnbull

June 2009 is finished today and I am glad. The month began with my entering another decade of life. That was not so bad but it was as we used to say in the sixties "heavy man heavy."

Things quickly went downhill from there when Ross, my favorite uncle, died. OK, so he was the only uncle I had left but he was still my favorite.

The drive to Alabama was long but good. My parents went with Betty and me so we enjoyed talking. Our time with the extended family was special. I did notice that the others seem to have gotten older and the kids now have children of their own. What's with that?

My suit was no sooner back from the cleaners when we received news that Bob had died. Bob was a cousin but older so we called him "Uncle Bob." Given the importance of the name to our family I reckon that most Turnbulls have an Uncle Bob. Well, I'll have you know that this Bob was Robert Bruce Turnbull. Bob was a man of God. Now he is a man with God. Bob's son Bobby my childhood friend is now Dr. Robert B. Turnbull, an old man with grey hair (sorry Bobby). Though the occasion was sad the event and time together were very happy.

Now, we have just received word that a close friend has died in Miami. We'll be on the road again tomorrow for a long drive to Reynold's funeral and a close moment with dear friends.

Losing loved ones has a way of reminding us of the importance of keeping first things first and of the precious brevity of life. The trick, of course, is not to let the mundane details of daily life blur that focus once things return to normal. On the other hand I hope things will be normal for a while. But then there is that monument thing in two weeks...

Sharing and Caring

Our thoughts and prayers are with the family of Robert Bruce Turnbull, II, who passed away on June 22, 2009.

BULLSEYE

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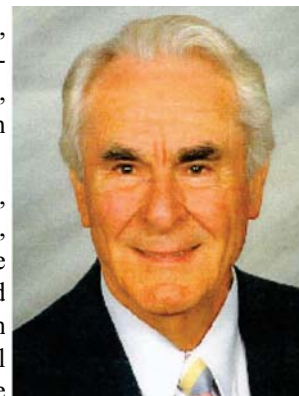
Rev. Robert Bruce Turnbull, 88, passed peacefully into the presence of his Lord on June 22, 2009, in Sentara Virginia Beach General Hospital, Virginia.

Mr. Turnbull was born May 29, 1921, in San Bernardino, Calif., the son of the late Robert Bruce Turnbull and Marietta Diamond Turnbull. He graduated from San Bernardino High School and attended Chaffey Jr. College in Ontario for two years and transferred to Vanguard University (formerly Southern California Bible College, Pasadena, Calif.) where he graduated in 1943 with a B.A. in Bible.

Mr. Turnbull was ordained in 1943 with the Assemblies of God. He received his M.A. in Missiology from the Assemblies of God Theological Seminary. He traveled in evangelistic work with his uncle, Dr. John Turnbull. He met and married Arleta J. Alderman Aug. 19, 1944, and entered the full-time pastoral ministry in Palm Springs, Calif. The couple then entered foreign missionary service in Haiti, Dominican Republic, and Christian education work in Latin America. This work continued for 30 years.

He returned to Vanguard University as professor of missions, anthropology and evangelism. In 1978, he took a position at CBN, in Virginia Beach in the division of international ministries and served for 12 years. He retired from CBN but continued to minister in numerous state side and international venues.

He is survived by his wife, Arleta J. Turnbull; a daughter, three sons, two brothers, two daughters-in-law, a son-in-law, 10 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.



Robert's family, son Robert B. Turnbull III, daughter Cheryl E. Vincent, wife, Arleta, son Richard D. Turnbull, and son Stanley M. Turnbull



Ross Turnbull Irvine reports that www.turnbullshop.com is scheduled to re-open on Friday 3rd of July with many new items including "our exclusive Turnbull's Whisky crystal decanters and glasses. Also available to order will be our limited special edition whisky commemorating the unveiling of the Turnbull Monument and clan gathering 2009. As demand is expected to be high, these items and many others will be available to pre-order for collection - saving on postage costs and enable those from the Americas and Canada, where we cannot send whisky to reserve a bottle at the shop."

Ross is the grandson to John F. and Myra Turnbull, founders of TCA. His family has a rich history in the retail grocery and whisky business in Hawick for many generations occupying 51 High Street (*April 2009 Bullseye*). Ross is offering to host a private event one evening during the week following the monument dedication for any clan members interested in attending. The evening would include a private evening supper and shopping experience at the delicatessen. "We have run these nights with great success for various groups in the past. Traditionally the format has been a light deli meal followed by a talk from myself on the history of the business, our whisky and the many local products we stock and then a tasting and private shopping experience. Not only would this be a great chance to learn about our whisky but also to get to know a bit more about the life of the man who founded the association."

If anyone is interested in attending this event or has any other questions for Ross including placing orders, please contact him at:

enquiries@turnbullshop.com or tel: 0044-1450-372-020
And if you are in Hawick, a visit to Turnbull's at 4 Oliver Place is a must!

Can't be in Hawick for the big event? Or want to remember it forever? A DVD of the opening day's events in Hawick plus an investigation into Bishop Turnbull's role in the founding of Glasgow University will be produced to capture the occasion. To reserve yours, check www.turnbullclanassociation.com for details.

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SCOCHA TO PERFORM FOR TURNBULLS



Scocha was born when Iain SCott and David CHApman (SCO-CHA) got together to share their love of music and song. Both from Hawick, a town with a long standing fine tradition in song, they began to play local gigs and functions around the Scottish Borders. Since its founding, the two have been joined by Phil Clayton (guitar and bass), Alan Brydon (multi-instrumentalist) and Dougie "Animal" Anderson on drums. What fast became a Borderland phenomenon is now just as quickly becoming a world wide one.

Scocha's Turnbull ties run deep. Iain Scott's grandfather is the author or "I Saved the King," the story of the Turnbells. In addition, Alan Brydon's grandmother was a Turnbull. And now there's a new Turnbull connection.

"The Borders," was written especially for the Borders Rugby Team by Scocha. The song is fast becoming an integral feature at home games. Kirk Turnbull of QFX, a friend of Iain and David's was challenged by the two when they told him that he could never make one of their songs into a pop song. Kirk recorded "The Borders" and proved them wrong.

"From haunting ballads to roof raising refrains and sing along anthems, a Scocha gig is crammed full of the "feel good factor", peppered by humour and banter... It's impossible to listen to Scocha without instinctively stomping your feet." (www.shocha.com)

If you are in Hawick on the 18th of July, you won't want to miss their performance for the Turnbull International Gathering. (Reservations required! See the red Tickets, Tickets, Tickets box on page 4 for details on how to buy tickets or reserve seats.) To hear a sampling of their music check them out on youtube or go to www.schocha.com.

La Breith Sona! Happy Birthday!



Elizabeth Turnbull, Betty Caruthers, Ralph Caruthers, Donna Smith, Sally Turnbull Dupuis, Ariadne Turnbull, David P. Turnbole, Howard Hahn, William K. Trimble, Wallace R. Turnbull Sr., Nora McNamara, Michael Turnbull, David E. Turnbull, Lorraine Robinson, Fiona Turnbull, Franklin Turnbull Ripley Jr., Barbara Williams, Ronald Jennings, George H. Turnbull, Kim Trimble, Douglas C. Turnbull, Jim Simpson, Susan Turnbull, Hilary Preston, Martha Turnbull, Helen Turnbull King, Peter E. Turnbull, Claudia Trimble, Patricia A. Turnbull, Cameron Turnbull, Kenneth Turnbull, Carol Anne Turnbull

What You Need To Know About July 18

Turnbull International Gathering 2009 -

Saturday 18th July

Pipe Band Parade, Hawick, High Street (MC, Norman Turnbull)

11.00 am - Muster at Horse Monument

11.30 am - March behind Hawick Pipe Band to Towerknowe

11.45 am - Assemble at the Civic Space, Heart of Hawick

Unveiling of Turning Of The Bull Monument (MC, Norman Turnbull)

Noon - Welcome speech by Provost Zandra Elliot

Unveiling ceremony by Wally Turnbull

Address by Alistair Moffat

Turnbull song by Tam Knox

Reivers re-enactment, Slitrig Crescent

1:00 pm Provost's Reception (Host Provost Zandra Elliot) (Invitation only)

Free Time for Informal Visits

2.00 pm - Free time, Options include Heritage Hub, Border Family History Society or various establishments for refreshment

Shower Facilities, Border College (Managed by Charlie Farmer)

2.00 pm - 5:00 pm - The facilities at the Borders College at Buccleuch Road, immediately opposite the Turnbull Tent at the Volunteer, will be available for shower, changing or simply freshening up prior to the Dinner. This facility closes at 5.00 pm prompt.

Turnbull International Gathering Dinner at the The Turnbull Tent

4.30 pm - Pre Dinner drinks at the Turnbull Tent, Volunteer Park, Hawick Music by Hawick Saxhorn Band.

5.30 pm - Dinner is served

7.30 pm - Welcome: George B Turnbull, Turnbull Clan Association (Scotland)

Address: Wally Turnbull, TCA President

Memories: Myra Turnbull

8.30 pm - Vote of Thanks: Eliott Turnbull

Public gates and bar open

9.00 pm - Scocha Concert

TICKETS...TICKETS...TICKETS

Advance reservation & tickets **are required** for entrance into the Turnbull International Gathering Dinner and the Scocha concert. These tickets can now be purchased online at www.turnbullclanassociation.com

Click on tickets from the home page. If you are attending the dinner as well as the Scocha concert, be sure to choose the dinner and Scocha option from the dropdown bar. (Dinner and Scocha cost 25£, Scocha only, costs 9£.) After tickets have been purchased, email: martinshouse@btconnect.com to tell George Turnbull how you wish to have tickets delivered. If you are an out of town guest, ask him to hold the tickets until the dinner for you.

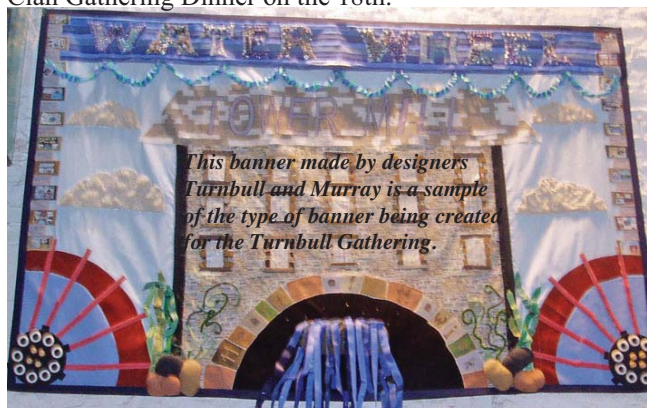
If for some reason you are unable to purchase your tickets in advance you still **must make confirmed reservations**. Send your reservation information to martinshouse@btconnect.com with a copy to editor@turnbullclan.com.

BE PART OF THE TURNBULL WALL HANGING

Designers Judith Murray and Lesley Turnbull are organizing an open workshop to create the Turnbull emblem and motto in the form of a unique wall hanging. The event will take place on Friday, July 17 from 10:00-4:00 at the Tower Textile Museum (Drumlanrig Tower) in Hawick.

We are planning a design workshop in the Tower Textile Museum (Drumlanrig Tower) on Friday 17th from 10-4.00 when anyone who wants (Turnbulls) of all ages can come in and help design a banner which will be framed at the end of the day. An invitation is extended to members and friends of the Turnbull Clan Association to come along and participate. All ages are wanted! They say, "You don't have to be too artistic to join in and it's fun!"

You will use fabrics, yarns, buttons from local knitwear and tweed industries. Come along for five minutes or an hour and put your own personal stamp on this one-off textile hanging which will be on shown in the Turnbull Tent at the Clan Gathering Dinner on the 18th.



BEDRULE KIRK SERVICE

The Ruberslaw Parish is hosting a special Turnbull Gathering service on Sunday, July 19 at 11:00 am open to all who wish to attend. There will be an informal time together when they will serve coffee and tea and we will have a chance to get to know one another. Be sure to plan to come if you are in the Borders. Bedrule and the kirk are very much a part of Turnbull history.




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The Turnbolls Are Coming To Town

It seems that wherever you go in the Borders of Scotland, especially around the town of Hawick, the name Turnbull can be heard. Banners running across High Streets, posters all about town and preparation at the Heritage Hub to receive something really big has everyone talking.

You've never seen a family gathering quite like this, writes Lucy Keen of the Southern Reporter. Across the globe, there are estimated to be around 800,000 Turnbolls, all of which are invited to the Scotland Homecoming 2009 for a programme of events to celebrate the International Clan Gathering set to take place in Hawick from July 18. The town will become the centre of main events for all Turnbolls... with people worldwide flocking to the Border town for a range of festivities.

"Kicking off the events is a march along Hawick High Street in true clan style, followed by the unveiling of a sculpture in the centre of Hawick to commemorate the family name. The piece has been sculpted by Innerleithan artist Angela Hunter and features the first known Turnbull, William of Rule, dramatically 'turning the bull' that charged at King Robert the Bruce. Open to all wishing to celebrate the Turnbull clan – who are known for their fierce independent nature – is the International Clan Gathering dinner, which includes a concert by Scocha. But the party doesn't stop there. Over the following week Turnbolls will be treated to numerous events organised by a committee of six, including brother and sister George and Dale Turnbull. Tours of Selkirk, Edinburgh, meals out in the Borders' top restaurants, visits to castles, abbeys, Highland games, and a chance to hear experts discussing the family origins, make



TOTALLY TURNBULL

AN INTERNATIONAL GATHERING OF THE TURNBULL CLAN

18TH JULY 2009, HAWICK

EVERYONE WELCOME

PIPE BAND PARADE FROM 11AM

Muster at the Horse, High Street, Hawick at 11.00am. Parade to the Tower Knowe behind Hawick Pipe Band commences at 11.30am. All welcome to join in.



TURNBULL MONUMENT UNVEILING FROM NOON

Welcome by Honorary Provost Zandra Elliot, 12 noon. Unveiling by Turnbull Clan President Wally Turnbull and historical address by nationally acclaimed historian Alistair Moffat. Reivers re-enactment in Slitrig Cresent.



TURNBULL GATHERING DINNER FROM 4.30PM

Tickets £25 including Scocha concert. Gather at the Turnbull Tent, Volunteer Park, Hawick for Pre dinner drinks at 4.30pm. Music by Saxhorn Band. Dinner at 5.30pm prompt. Scocha concert commences at 9.00pm.



SCOCHA LIVE IN CONCERT FROM 9PM

The famous rock folk band, Scocha will perform under cover in the Turnbull Tent from 9.00pm. Bar open from 8.30pm. You don't need to be a Turnbull to be there. Tickets available at £9. Watch out for the Scocha posters.



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this event unmissable for anyone bearing the name Turnbull. Around 200 people are expected from overseas and the Turnbull Clan Association, first established in 1987, hope people will turn out in their hundreds from the local area. George Turnbull said: "Through this event, our clan has become more real to us. The highlight for me will be the buzz of the opening march down Hawick High Street."

The Surprises of Genealogy Research

by Bill Trimble

Genealogy can be very interesting and may hold a surprise or two. We all know the story of how William Rule became William Turnbull, so I won't repeat that story here.

My brother Kim recently sent me reference to a web page associated with the Jacob Andrew Alford History. Since Jacob was a relative I checked it out. My dad's mother's maiden name was Edith Evangeline Alford. Her father was Robert Harkness Alford, son of Jacob Andrew Alford and Elenore Hill. Jacob Alford was the son of Andrew J. Alford and Betsy Harkness. Betsy Harkness was the daughter of Andrew Harkness and Janet Penman. Janet's father married a girl from the Pringle family, who lived in the Melrose area of Scotland.

Now, this is the interesting part. An ancestor of the Pringle girl was one Alexander Pringle. Alexander went on a crusade in the 1300's along with Sir James Douglas (who carried with him into battle the Heart of King Robert Bruce).

When it was time to return to Scotland from the crusade, Alexander was commissioned to bring back the heart of King Robert for burial in Melrose Abbey. A memorial tablet to our ancestor, Alexander, is preserved in the ruins of that famous Abbey's church yard.

So, I have learned that I have another tie to King Robert Bruce. Who knew?

Editor's note:

If you have an interesting story about your adventures into the past or you are looking for family connections to share with the TCA family, please send information or article to editor@turnbullclan.com or to 5216 Tahoe Dr., Durham, NC 27713



Bill & Kim Trimble

THE REALITY OF IT ALL

Soon - within days - the *Turning of the Bull* monument will be a reality. Another reality is that the fund raising isn't over. Yes, William and the bull have found a permanent home, but there are bills and debts still to be paid. With your generous help and the hard work of many individuals, over \$150,000 has been raised to make this project a reality. It is important that we not give up! TCA needs to raise another \$60,000 to compete this project. We urge you to continue to think of ways to help and raise money. Below is one opportunity to make a contribution and enjoy a unique Turnbull collectors' item as well.

A Limited Time Offer

Be among the first to own a Turning of the Bull commemorative belt buckle. For a limited time, every donation of \$35.00 to the monument fund receives a first edition metal buckle of the Turning of the Bull. The antique brass colored metal buckle measures 3" x 2 1/2". This buckle makes a great gift or addition to any collection.

It's a must have for kilt or pants use. Don't miss out. Make checks out to TCA and send your tax deductible donations to:

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