

FATLIPS TO BE RESTORED !

News Flash!!! Just in from Gemma Hon. Turnbull Barnard. Fatlips Castle has found support through Historic Scotland to undergo restoration. This is great news for the Scottish Borders and to the Turnbull Clan, as Fatlips was once a Turnbull Stronghold. Gemma, an honorary Turnbull, grew up in the Borders in the Bedrule area. Fatlips was her backyard playground. She recalls many wonderful memories of climbing the crags, and sitting atop the beautiful cliff Fatlips calls home, enjoying the unique and spectacular view of the Teviotdale.

Over recent years, with Fatlips falling into ruin, Gemma worked tirelessly to keep the pubic aware of the need to save this historic tower house. Without her dedication, the place Turnbulls know as Fatlips Castle might have become just a mention in history books.

While the majority of the needed £200,000 projected budget is being provided by Historic Scotland, and Minto Estates, which owns Fatlips, funds are still needed to complete this project. It is estimated that between £10,000 and £20,000 additional will be needed. (\$15,000-\$30,000)

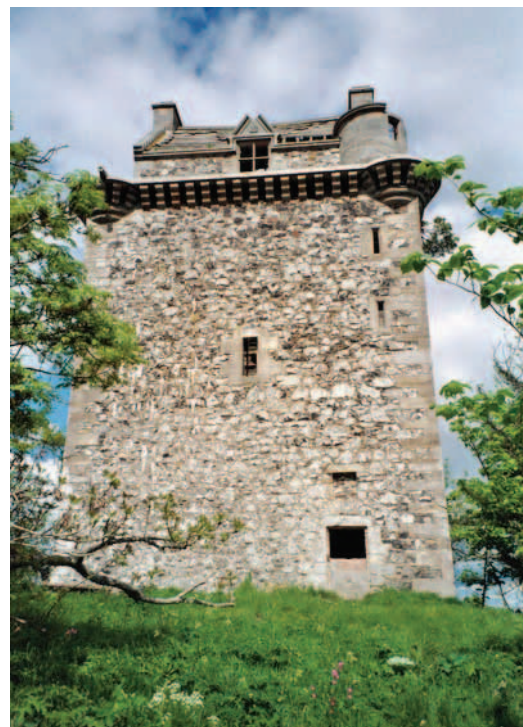
TCA Honorary Chief, Wally Turnbull, says "This is truly a project that should be important to all of us, a dream come true. Each one of us needs to do his or her part, not just because funds are needed but also so that we can each be a part of Fatlips forever. Contribute whatever you can, \$1000, \$100, or \$5. It is needed and will make a difference to history." (See page 7 for details.)

From the offical press release: *Borders landmark Fatlips Castle is to undergo a £200,000 facelift to save it for future generations to enjoy... The castle near Jedburgh has sat empty since the 1960s and its condition has deteriorated signifi-*

cantly. Now the Tweed Forum has secured funding from a range of groups to carry out major renovation work.

Director Luke Comins said: "This is a very significant moment in the history of the castle and for local people who enjoy its enormous contribution to the landscape..."

"Some £200,000 has been secured from Historic Scotland, Scottish Borders Council, SBC Landfill Credits Fund and Lord Minto which is enough to initiate the works and we are extremely grateful for their support." He said the Minto family had been trying to stop the "incessant vandalism" of the property but with "limited success". "It has now got to the stage where there is an urgent need to save the roof from complete collapse," said Mr Comins. "This is a great opportunity to start afresh (continued on page 7)



Fatlips Castle, once a Turnbull Stronghold, sits atop Minto Crags in the Borders. Photo by Wally Turnbull

THE GEOLOGICAL HISTORY OF SCOTLAND

by Kim Trimble - Features Editor



The peoples and products, the rulers and traditions of our homeland have oft been discussed in these articles. Today however I shall ramble on about the rock that is Scotland. Where did it come from? How long has Scotland been around? Things like that...

Long, long ago and far far away... No wait, different story... Reboot...

Beneath the beauty of Scotland's landscape, under the cities lochs and rivers lies the stone and soil backbone that is the foundation of the civilization to

which we are devoted. For we who live here in the twenty first century, especially for us Turnbulls, the history of Scotland starts with and around Robert the Bruce and his battle against England. The truth is that those events are very recent given the tremendous age of the Earth.

The concept of 'deep time' was developed in the 18th century by Scottish geologist and father of modern geology, James Hutton (1726-1797). His conjecture was that the geologic time scale is overwhelmingly huge because this planet is so very old. Hutton noted the significant difference between the layers of stone at Siccar Point east of Edinburgh. In 1788, Hutton, along with fellow scientist John Playfair traveled along the coast of Berwickshire in south east Scotland. Here they found (continued on page 4)

From the President

by Rhet Turnbull

As I write this, we are preparing to celebrate the Thanksgiving holiday in the United States. This is a time of reflecting on the year's many blessings. Among the blessings I count this year are my Turnbull Clan Association family around the world. I'm thankful for the volunteers that make TCA possible, I'm thankful for the tent hosts who give of their time & treasure to share TCA with others, and I'm thankful for each of you -- for without our members, there would be no TCA. I hope that each of you will be able to take some time as the year comes to a close to reflect on your blessings.



I know the coming year will hold many exciting things for Turnbull Clan. You'll be hearing more about a new Turnbull cairn in Bedrule and the long overdue restoration of Fatlips castle. These exciting projects have come about thanks to the tireless efforts of our dedicated members.

Speaking of our members, it troubles me to report that our membership numbers over the past year have been stagnant. TCA exists for and because of our members. It is the mission of TCA to serve Turnbolls worldwide and to do this, we need a vibrant, growing member base. Your TCA officers have been thinking about how to grow our membership so that we can serve more Turnbolls and we will be sharing some of our ideas with you during the coming year. As always, I also welcome your thoughts on how we can make TCA more valuable to more people.

I always enjoy hearing from our members so please send me a note at president@turnbullclan.com and let me know what TCA can do for you & the rest of our worldwide Turnbull family. I wish each of you a Merry Christmas and a Guid Hogmanay!

Sharing and Caring

Your thoughts and prayers for Myra Turnbull are much appreciated as she recovers from surgeries.

Deepest condolences to Diana Turnbull with the loss of her beloved sister.

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- ☐ Shop for Presents
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- ☐ **RENEW TCA MEMBERSHIP for 2012**
- ☐ Enjoy Bullseye newsletters in 2012
- ☐ Keep up with Turnbolls around the world in 2012 through TCA membership

It's that time of year again! Don't forget to **renew your TCA membership**. Lots of exciting things happening in 2012 to keep up with. Follow the restoration of Fatlips, the Turnbull Cairn in Bedrule project, and much, much more! Renew online at www.turnbullclan.com or send a check payable to Turnbull Clan Association to:

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Plus, proceeds from all other items go towards the *Turning of the Bull* Monument fund.

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TURNBULL TRAILS

A HISTORY OF THE BORDER CLAN TURNBULL

THE SCOTS IN ULSTER – PART TWO

by Norman Turnbull

Turnbull Clan High Shenachie *(continued from last issue)*

There had been many wars in Ireland between the Irish people and the English. The last one “the Nine Years War,” 1594-1603, took place during the reign of Queen Elizabeth 1st and ended with the defeat of the Gaelic Chieftains.

Now the whole of Ireland was under English control. But the very same year, Queen Elizabeth died. She had no children. What would happen to Ireland now?

Elizabeth was replaced by her Scottish relative, King James of Scotland and that made him King of Scotland, England and Northern Ireland. This meant that the Scots would play an important part in the plans for the plantation.

King James hoped that the people, who came over to Ulster during the time of the plantation, would help him to change the province. He hoped that settlers from England and Scotland would be obedient to him and his government. In the King’s mind, Ulster needed to be “civilised” and made to be more like England and parts of Lowland Scotland. Most of the Irish people living in Ulster did not see things this way and resented the King interfering in their land.

The plantation brought many changes to Ulster. The population grew rapidly as thousands of settlers arrived, many with their wives and children. New towns and villages were created and schools and industries were established. The new people brought new names and customs to Ireland and the Protestant faith was introduced. But some people say that many of Ulster’s problems began with the Plantation.

Ulster was not the only place to be “planted.” Other parts of Ireland had been “planted” with English people. A quarter of a century before the Plantation of Ulster, a Plantation in the Southern Irish Province of Munster had been started.

At the same time that the Plantation of Ulster was taking place some English people were sailing across the Atlantic Ocean to establish settlements in Virginia in America. In 1607, Jamestown, named in honour of the King, was founded in Virginia.

King James had also tried to “plant” the islands of Lewis and Harris in the Outer Hebrides with Lowland Scots.

Counties Antrim and Down were not included in the Plantation of Ulster, because these counties are very close to Scotland; Scottish people had been coming to them for centuries. On a clear day it is easy to see Scotland from the coast of Antrim and Down.

James Hamilton and Hugh Montgomery received large land grants of thousands of acres in County Down. So in May 1606 the “Hamilton and Montgomery Settlement” began, and hundreds of Scottish families began to arrive in east Ulster. In Antrim, a Scottish family, the MacDonnell’s, were already firmly in control of the north of the county. The MacDonnell’s were a Highland family and were Catholics. King James officially “granted” the MacDonnell’s large parts of Co. Antrim. The MacDonnell’s also began bringing families from Scotland to live on their lands. By the time the Plantation of Ulster began, there were already many Scottish people living in Counties Antrim and Down.

Just as Counties Antrim and Down were not part of the Plantation, neither was County Monaghan. In this county most of the land remained in Irish ownership in the early 17th century. Some Englishmen acquired large estates in the county and a number of English families settled there. However, the number of Scots in County Monaghan at this time was very small – fewer than in any other Ulster counties.

After being defeated by the English in the “Nine Years War,” two of the most powerful Irish Chieftains, the Earl of Tyrone and the Earl of Tyrconnell, left Ireland with many of their supporters in an event known as “The Flight of the Earls.” They boarded a ship in Rathmullan, in County Donegal, on 4th September 1607 and hoped to sail to Spain where they would ask for help from the Spanish King to drive the English out of Ireland. However, because of storms, the Earls never reached Spain. Instead they landed in France and ended up in Rome. They never returned to Ireland.

Ulster was the last province in Ireland to be brought under English control. King James hoped that the “planting” of loyal subjects would stop the threat of rebellion.

Keeping law and order in Ulster was expensive and the King was also worried that if a Spanish Army invaded Ireland they would find support among the Irish.

The flight of the Earls meant that he was now in possession of vast territories in six counties and could choose who should receive them.

To the King, a Plantation in Ulster seemed like the perfect answer. By encouraging settlers from Scotland and England to move to Ulster, he hoped that the province would become richer. And a richer Ulster meant a richer King, because of the extra tax that would be paid. *(to be continued in next issue)*

GEOLOGICAL HISTORY

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dramatically contrasting rock formations. Hutton called his discovery “a beautiful picture of this junction washed bare by the sea.” He proclaimed his find proved that the Earth is vastly older than previously speculated. Hutton’s Unconformity is simply a site where two layers of stone have been thrust together. The upper layer is younger than the lower. We can see these layers revealing that the sedimentation was not a continuous process. Basically this means that the older layer was exposed to the elements and had eroded before the younger layer was deposited on top of it, where, over time, it petrifies into solid stone.

Based on radiometric* age dating, this planet Earth is said to be some 4.5+ billion years old. That is not to say that Scotland

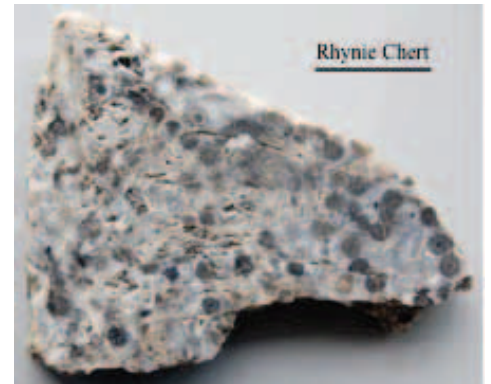


Siecar Point

is so old, whatever the younger generation may think of the elder. Humans occupied the territory that would become Scotland some 10,000 years ago at the end of the Devensian glaciation, the last ice age. Prior to the coming of man, Scotland went through a great many alterations before it became the most beautiful

place on Earth. Some 410 million years ago the islands that became Great Britain joined together as the ocean separating them slowly closed thus forming the Southern Uplands, which is now the Border Country. During the 60 million (give or take a few million) years that it took for Scotland to travel across the globe she experienced all forms of climate from arctic cold to desert heat. The climate fluctuations along with volcanic activities at times made the land uninhabitable.

There is however, evidence that about 400 million years ago conditions existed that in the Rhynie area of Aberdeenshire, silica rich hot springs preserved some primitive plants along with the earliest known insects in rocks known as Rhynie Chert; a sedimentary rock that contains fossils. This is also evidence that dinosaurs roamed the Scottish landscape. (Can you say Nessie?) In the Jurassic and Cretaceous periods Scotland was for the most part either submerged under shallow tropical seas or very hilly but would have supported the animals of the day. Dinosaur fossils have been found on the Isle of Skye. Seven species have been identified so far.



Rhynie Chert

place on Earth. Stones have been found in the Lewis, Harris and North West Sutherland regions that date back three billion years. Seeing these rocks can be awe inspiring when you think of the tremendous age of our planet. Eons of volcanic activity, earthquakes and climate change have gradually eroded the terra firma that we love today.

It would be impossible for an amateur such as I to cover the geological history in a short article but suffice it to say that Scotland began its history in the region that is now in the Antarctic. The British Isles began as part of an ancient continent called Laurentia that existed in the southern hemisphere. Experts proclaim that this long ago continent included North America and Greenland as well as the British Isles. Over the last 500 million years though, Laurentia broke up and migrated north to form the geography that presently exists. In another 500 million years who knows where Scotland will be...

The portion of Great Britain that is Scotland is made up of five distinct geological sections: the Lewisian gneiss and Torridonian of the North West; the Moine rocks of the Central and Northern Highlands west of the Great Glen Fault; the Moine and Dalradian of the Central and Grampian Highlands; the Midland Valley and the Southern Uplands. Large faults, some of which are still identifiable in the landscape, separate these areas and are known as the Moine Thrust in the north-west, the

The most ancient stones in Scotland, located in the Outer Hebrides, are also the oldest stones in Europe. Examples can be seen in Lewis at Callanish where they were used as the Standing Stones. They can also be found on the mainland in a thin strip of the Northwest coast. The stones are buried deeply under much younger sandstone and limestone that are only about one billion years old and are the oldest sedimentary rocks in Scotland.

GEOLOGICAL HISTORY *(continued from page 4)*

Scotland's geological makeup is quite varied for a land as relatively small as it is. There are three main geographical subdivisions: The Highlands and Islands, northwest of the Highland Boundary fault**; the Central Lowlands, a rift valley made up of Paleozoic formations; and the Southern Uplands south of the Southern Uplands Fault***. The Southern Uplands are mainly Silurian deposits from 443 ± 1.5 million years ago.

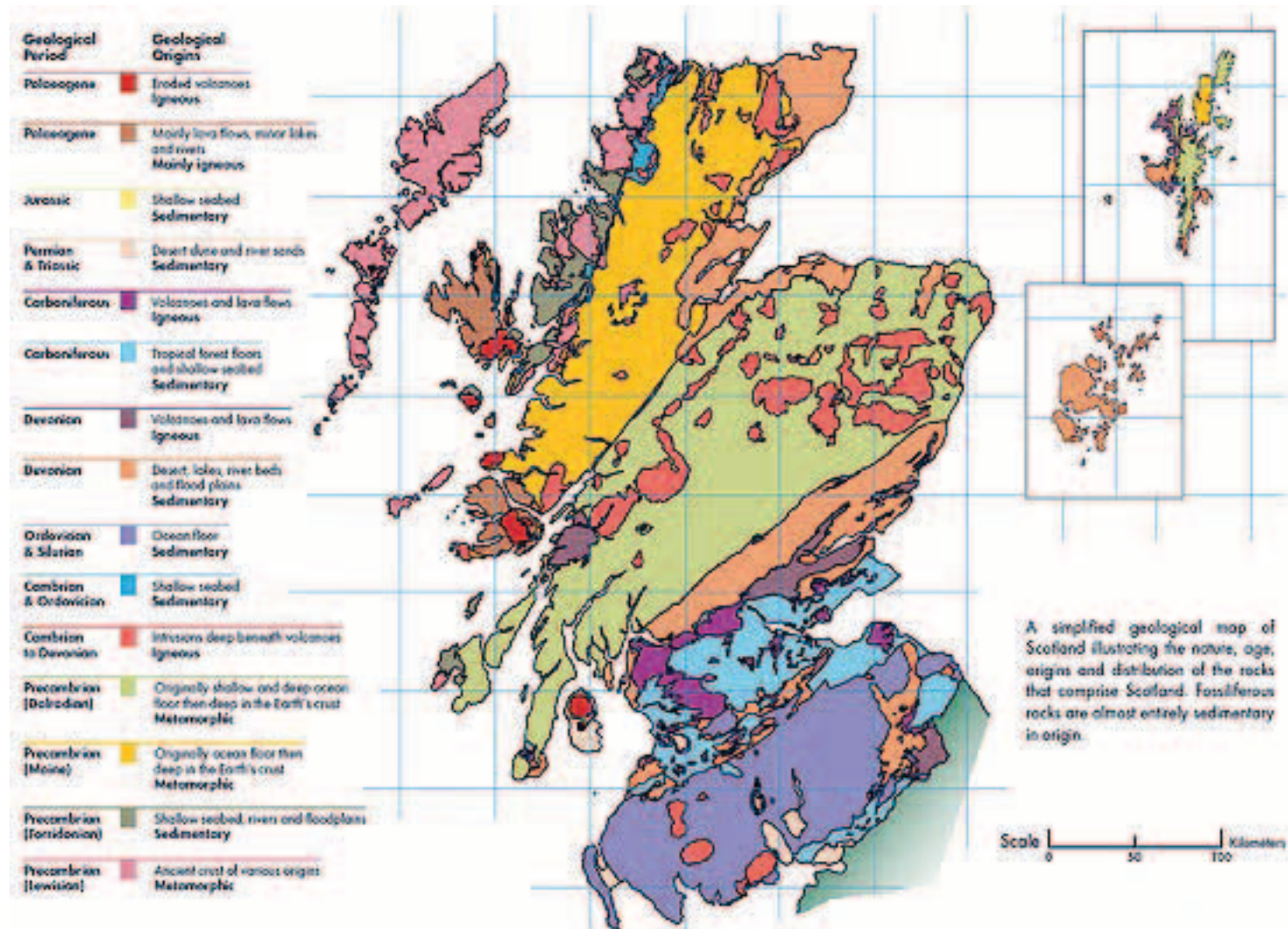
Scotland's (the whole planet actually) history can be plotted on a time scale that covers the eons starting with the Precambrian period (4,560 to a mere 542 million years ago) up to the present Quaternary period that started just yesterday (1.6 million years ago) and runs to the present. For more information regarding the time scale visit the Scottish Geology website at: http://www.scottishgeology.com/geology/geological_time_scale/time_scale.html

Eons and Epochs, eras and periods, millennium... It would be impossible to cover all of Scotland's geological history in a single article. There are many books on the subject and the websites are countless. Maybe I'll do a future story all about James Hutton.

*Radiometric dating (often called radioactive dating) is a technique used to date materials such as rocks, usually based on a comparison between the observed abundance of a naturally occurring radioactive isotope and its decay products, using known decay rates. It is the principal source of information about the absolute age of rocks and other geological features, including the age of the Earth itself, and can be used to date a wide range of natural and man-made materials. http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Radiometric_dating

** The Highland Boundary Fault is a geological fault that traverses Scotland from Arran and Helensburgh on the west coast to Stonehaven in the east. It separates two distinctly different physiographic regions: the Highlands from the Lowlands, but in most places it is only recognizable as a change in topography. http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Highland_Boundary_Fault

*** The Southern Uplands Fault (or occasionally Southern Upland Fault) is a fault in Scotland that runs from Girvan (or more specifically from the Rhins of Galloway) to Dunbar on the East coast. It marks the southern boundary of the Scottish Midland Valley. http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Southern_Uplands_Fault





by **Kenneth Turnbull**

In 1621, King James I of England, renamed the islands off the eastern coast of Canada from Acadia to Nova Scotia. Eight years later groups of Scots settled at Charlesfort, near Port Royal, and at Rosemar, on Cape Breton Island.

From the 1770's to the 1830's, a large emigration to these islands began. Nova Scotia became a British colony with new settlers. It was a promise of a better life for the Scottish Highlanders as land ownership in Scotland was rare. They were promised 200 acres of land when they arrived. Some were allocated much more.

This new land had been recovered from the French settlers, who had been forcibly removed by the British a little earlier. Most were returned to Europe, however, some settlers went westward to new uncharted territory now known as Quebec. Others escaped and went into hiding until the pressure of being deported was over.



The New Scottish and Irish settlers were located around the Bay of Fundy, Cape Breton Island and along the coast of the Northumberland shores. Yet another island also became very popular for emigrants. This was the northern and nearby

Prince Edward Island. The Gaels made their communities very homogenous and, as a result, made up a large and culturally diverse Scottish influence throughout these islands.

The new immigrants spoke only in Gaelic language and together, they became the largest Gaelic cultural influence outside of Scotland. Then, between 1900 and 1920, the British decided to discourage this language and forced the people to speak only in English. If anyone was caught using Gaelic, whether written or spoken, they were punished. However, today, the Gaelic language around the Islands, has been proudly resurrected, especially on nearby Prince Edward Island, where in parts, it is now their main language. A Gaelic school has also been established on Cape Breton Island.

Yet, despite these promises of a new life, the homeland of Scotland, didn't want the Highlanders to leave. These Scottish families were indeed healthy and hard working and were needed in Scotland. But, the English had different ideas and deliberately chose these people, as they believed they would be fit and able to set up the new colony. It was said that these early emigrants were somewhat tricked into making their exodus to the 'New World'. There had also been a lack of work opportunity in their homeland.

The new settlers were given two years to establish and maintain their land, with the aim of eventually becoming self-supporting.

However, despite all this, they continued to be held under British Rule at the time.

The climate was similar to what they had known, so most grew a variety of crops, with a high success rate. As well, fishing had emerged to become a major industry. Halifax was established as a fishing port and Naval station. Between 1850 and 1880, boat and ship-building also grew as an important and significant industry.

The emigrants also brought with them their religious beliefs. The two main religions of influence were the Roman Catholics and the Protestants.

Between 1770 and 1815, around 15,000 Scots had arrived in Nova Scotia. Their early homes were of the familiar Croft style. It was a basic lifestyle and similar to what they had endured in Scotland. If they owned an animal such as a cow, it was also kept inside during the winter months. After 1815, Scottish immigration came from the Lowland areas and by 1870, 170,000 had arrived. The 1871 Canadian census showed that for every 1000 Canadians, over 150 of these were of Scottish origin.



From 1850 onward, coal mining became a major industry, as large coal seams had been discovered. Around 1901, the steel industry also became established in Boston and this demanded coal for their furnaces. Soon, Canada was using 54% of this new found coal.

The Gaels settled in Nova Scotia on kinship and religion and many of the Scottish communities remain culturally distinct to the present. Today, Prince Edward Island is regarded as Canada's most Scottish Province.

Inventors & Inventions of Nova Scotia



Alexander Graham Bell, Baddeck, Nova Scotia



First motor car built in the Maratimes, Nova Scotia, 1899, 2hp

FATLIPS RESTORATION

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and help secure it for future generations to enjoy.”

Fatlips Castle was originally built by the Turnbull family but was completely rebuilt by the Elliots of Minto, the current owners, in 1857. It was further remodelled as a family museum and shooting lodge by Sir Robert Lorimer in 1897. However, since the 1960s it has been unoccupied and its condition has deteriorated over the decades. The building work is expected to be completed by mid-2013.



Above and below: Extensive damage to the roof has caused Fatlips to continue to deteriorate over the years. Above right: Fatlips at night. Photos contributed by Gemma Hon Turnbull Barnard.



To learn more, view video, see photos of Fatlips and follow the restoration go to www.rulewater.com and the *Friends of Fatlips* faebook page.

Turnbull Clan Association fully supports the Fatlips Renovation Project and urges each of us to do what we can to see this irreplaceable piece of Turnbull heritage restored for generations to come. We are deeply indebted to Gemma Hon Turnbull Barnard for her continual efforts to make and keep Fatlips in the forefront of Borders heritage.

Donate online at turnbullclan.com or send checks to Turnbull Clan Association, *designated for Fatlips*, to Chris Nelson, 29 Fremont St. Tonawanda, NY, 14150-2305.

La Breith Sona! Happy Birthday!

November/December



Camden Turnbull, Samuel Turnbull, Janet Hirschland, Lynne Crooks, Girija Karamcheti Turnbull, James B. Turnbull IV, Robert Starke Jr., Robert A. Trimble, Dale R. Hilding, William Bozman, Brigitte M. Hagerman, Aisha Hoffmann, Joshua Pace, Timothy Jennings, Murray Turnbull, Anthony R. Turnbull, Nancy J. Turnbull, Kevin Turnbull, Dawn Day, Mary Kay Hilding, Richard J. Turnbull, Dorothea Turnbull, Lesley Anne Gatt, Allison O'Connor-Fenton, Brian A. Trimble, Dorothy J. Trimble, John Turnbull, Anthony P. Turnbull, Ned Tsuneo Dairiki, James R. Trimble, Vivian Turnbull, Carol Anne Turnbull, Ruth Woodbury, Nicholas J. Gant, Mary C. Turnbull, Anne Turnbull, Elizabeth Grason Cohen, Timothy Nelson

U.K. - Insurance CEO change

RFIB has confirmed that chief executive officer and minority

shareholder Marshall King will be leaving the company and that current group chief financial officer Jonathan Turnbull will take up the position of CEO with immediate effect.

The international insurance and reinsurance broker added that Mr Turnbull's appointment was on an interim basis while it worked with the Financial Services Authority regarding his permanent appointment. With more than 20 years' experience Jonathan Turnbull is an ideal successor to build on the foundation.

**Canada - Turnbull School launches United Way campaign**

Students as young as six years old were encouraged to change the world at Turnbull School's United Way Campaign launch on Oct. 13. "When you have your United Way fundraiser, it means you're raising money to make another kid's life better," said Max Keeping, who was the school's special guest and chairman of the Ottawa United Way Campaign. "No matter what way you do it, you have the power to make the world a better place."

**Australia - Play takes on 1980's**

WHAT do these teens know about the 1980s? Jamieson Raabe is 15, Tia Hasan, 16, and Nathan Turnbull is 17. In fact, none of the cast in ACTiv Elite Performers' latest product Dags, were even

born in the 1980s. The company's artistic director, Charisse Graber, just squeezes in — she was born in 1987, but can't remember any of it. Nevertheless they've taken on the big hair, the fluoro and the songs: "It's set in the '80s and the clothes are different, but none of the attitudes have changed at all," Miss Graber said. "We are dealing with exactly the same [social] situations now as they did back then."

New Zealand - Meet the real Wellingtonians

The vaults of the Alexander Turnbull Library have been scoured to provide new insights into Wellington's often-checkered history and the quirky colourful characters who've lived there.



David Colquhoun, Manuscripts Curator at the Turnbull, has selected the images and written the stories behind them in a new book called Wellingtonians: from the Turnbull collections. Photographs, paintings, cartoons, manuscripts posters, sketches and novelty postcards have been chosen from the collections held by the Alexander Turnbull Library.

United Kingdom - Web expertise hailed

Primary school pupils are at the forefront of the information superhighway. Hedworthfield Primary School pupils with ICT teacher Kathryn Turnbull, left, celebrate their ICT Mark. Now that work has been recognised with the award of an ICT Mark for the second time. It's proof of the school's success in developing strategic use of the ICT across the curriculum.

U.K. - Snowboarder flying high

A Northallerton snowboarder has his sights set on future success after wowing crowds at a free-style snow sports competition. A nineteen-year-old Sam Turnbull, is one of the sponsored riders at SNO!zone at Xscape in Castleford. He picked up his second bronze medal win last month.

Australia - The Queen's visit

"There has never been anything other than respect and affection for the Queen," Malcolm Turnbull told reporters in Sydney. "I think all Australians, whether they are republicans or not, welcome the Queen's visit to Australia," the federal Liberal MP said.

But the avowed advocate of an Australian republic, said the Queen's imminent arrival is "neither the right nor wrong time" to return to a debate about the republic.

The Queen and Prince Philip arrived in Canberra for what may be the royal couple's last visit to Australia.

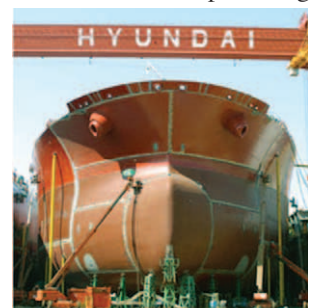
"The republican movement has always been about ensuring Australia's head of state is Australian, so all of our national symbols are unequivocally Australian," Mr Turnbull said.

**USA - Taco goes mobile in Missouri**

It's a growing trend in fast food: going mobile, especially for entrepreneurs who want to start a restaurant with low start-up costs. Charlotte Turnbull owns 'The Travelling Taco' mobile restaurant and noticed a lot more food trucks in Springfield.

Scotland - South Korea hunts for elusive Scotsmen Shipbuilders

They're credited with helping to kick-start the South Korean shipbuilding industry, and are in-line to be honoured by the Asian country's government, yet no-one has been able to find any trace of Scottish shipbuilding engineers Jack Duncan and Mike Turnbull. Details about the men, who worked in the shipbuilding industry in Korea in the 1970s, are scarce. The South Korean government is planning to award them the Special Order of Merit, one of the country's top awards.



Issue 6

Bitty Bulls



Hi Kids! In this issue you can learn about some holiday traditions that might be different from yours. If you would like to share some special traditions that your family has, please write, draw, or send photos to bittybulls@turnbullclan.com We will include your submission in the next issue!



Hogmanay

Did you know that in Scotland holiday celebrations take place around the New Year rather than on Christmas? The Church of Scotland discouraged Christmas celebrations for about 400 years. Until the 1950's most people worked on Christmas day. Family and friends gathered over the New Year to exchange presents. Some of the traditions include cleaning your house on December 31st, singing **Auld Lang Syne** (by Scottish poet Robert Burns) at midnight, welcoming friends and families into your home, and celebrating with fireworks. First Footing is a custom in which the first person to visit or set foot in a friend's home after midnight gives gifts of salt, coal, shortbread, whisky, and black bun (fruit cake) to bring good luck to the home in the coming year. Delicious holiday food such as shortbread, black bun, and cloodie dumpling (fruit pudding with custard) are enjoyed. Much older traditions included dressing up in cattle hides and running through villages hitting one another with sticks.



Holiday Jollies

Where does a snowman keep his money?

in a snow bank

How do sheep in Mexico say Merry Christmas?

Fleece Navidad

What do you call people who are afraid of Santa Claus?

Claustrophobic

How is a grape like a reindeer?

they are both purple, except the reindeer

How long should an elf's legs be?

just long enough to touch the ground!

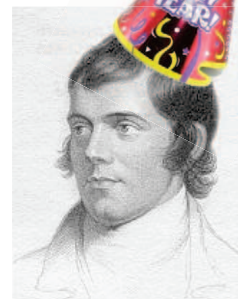
Auld Lang Syne

Should auld acquaintance be forgot and never brought to mind?

Should auld acquaintance be forgot and auld lang syne,

*For auld lang syne, my dear, for auld lang syne,
We'll take a cup o' kindness yet, for auld lang syne.*

**auld lang syne--old long-ago / old times*



Robert Burns, national poet of Scotland
January 25, 1759-July 21, 1796

Wee Bit O' Fun

Holiday Greetings Around the World

England Merry Christmas

France Joyeaux Noel

Germany Frohliche Weihnachten

Scotland Merry Christmas an a Guid

Hogmanay

Ireland Nollaig Shona Dhuit

Italy Buon Natale

Poland Wesolych Swiat

Spain Feliz Navidad

Sweden God Jul



Christmas

How many new words can you make by rearranging or using some of the letters in the word Christmas?

Example: mast____stars____mist____



Shortcut Scottish Pudding

This recipe is similar to Cloutie Dumpling. Ask an adult to help you make this recipe. Enjoy a tasty holiday treat in less than 20 minutes!

Ingredients:

- 1 cup water
- 3/4 cup white sugar
- 1 tablespoon mixed spice or pumpkin pie spice
- 1 tablespoon cinnamon
- 1 1/4 cups chopped mixed dried fruit
- 1 1/4 cups golden raisins
- 1 cup margarine
- 2 cups all purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 2 eggs, beaten

Directions:

1. Combine water, sugar, spice, cinnamon, mixed fruit, raisins, and margarine in a saucepan.
2. Bring to a boil and simmer for one minute.
3. Remove from heat and stir in flour, baking soda and eggs.
4. Pour into a microwave safe bowl and leave uncovered.
5. Cook in microwave for 10 minutes on full power.
6. Let stand for 5 minutes.
7. Serve warm with your favorite custard, ice cream, whipped cream, or American pudding.

Please note: you may want to use less spice than what recipe calls for

Serves: 8 people

New Years Crackers

Many families enjoy popping open crackers to see what goodies and treats are inside. Now you can make some of your own for your family celebration. They can even be decorated with names and used instead of place cards at your Christmas table.

Here's what you'll need

- Toilet paper roll (one for each cracker)
- Tissue paper
- Ribbon or yarn
- Stickers or other embellishments from around the house
- Tape
- Scissors
- Something to put inside the cracker like a small trinket or special note

Here's how you make them...

1. Put a small trinket or special note inside your TP roll. Cut the tissue paper so that you'll have lots of excess on either end of the TP roll. We used 2 colors of tissue paper just to make the ends more colorful!



3. Gather your tissue paper at either end of the toilet paper roll and tie a ribbon or piece of yarn around (if you don't have either tape will do just fine). Cut the tissue paper ends into fringe.



2. Roll the tissue paper around the TP roll. Tape to secure.



4. Decorate your crackers with stickers or any other embellishments you have in your craft box; like sequins, scraps of felt, glitter glue, etc.



If you don't have any trinkets try leaving special personalized notes in each cracker - your guests will love it!

For additional fun, please visit: <http://www.busybeekidscrafts.com/New-Years-Crackers.html>

Southeast Florida to Northwest Washington



Bob Turnbull with daughter, Vanessa at the Orlando, FL games.

Ocala games... This was the 2nd year with new organization of the Ocala games held at the Silver Springs Attraction. It was rainy and windy on Saturday and by Sunday night the general area was flooding. It was considered a No Name Storm, 12" of rain and wind up to 85 mph. Still had a great time, hooked up with the Scotts and enjoyed their Apple Pie drink. We had a good view of the dancing and music up on the stage, where the Beach Boys have played along with many other top names. Nice place to hold events.



Wind and rain from the No Name Storm, couldn't dampen the spirits or those attending the Ocala, FL games.

PACIFIC NW SCOTTISH HIGHLAND GAMES

by Bill Trimble - Pacific Northwest Tent Host

Under the shadow of majestic, snow-covered Mount Rainier, the 65th Pacific Northwest Scottish Highland Games were held at the Enumclaw Expo Center the weekend of July 29-31, 2011. The Turnbulls were represented by Pat and Bill Trimble, brother Kim Trimble and Dale and Mary Kay Hilding from Pendleton, Oregon.

Over the course of the three-day event we had over 80 people stopped by our tent, including a surprise visit by Marilyn and Ron Jennings from Boise, Idaho. Marilyn and Ron were with the group of Turnbulls who toured Scotland in June, 2007. It was good to see them again and reminisce about all the fun we had there.

Seventy-five Clans were represented at the Games, and 15 Pipe Bands were in attendance, which is down from previous years. I imagine most the bands that usually perform at Enumclaw were attending the piping competition at the Glengarry Highland

by Bob Turnbull - Florida Tent Host

There's a fun story that goes with the Orlando games this year. First, I was interviewed by the Orlando Sentinel, which gave the Turnbull Clan a little air time.

However, the best story follows. When I submitted the application for the tent and tickets, I mentioned that in 2010 they forgot to call out Clan Turnbull during the March of the Tartans. So, this year, as the clans were gathering to march, I heard someone loudly calling out *Clan Turnbull*. I replied that would be me and was told that to make up for last year, they wanted Clan Turnbull to march 2nd behind the Honored Clan Henderson.

So Vanessa, my wife, son Robert, and Dave, a fellow local Turnbull who comes every year, and I lined up and proudly marched behind the honored clan. Well, wouldn't you know, they still didn't get it right. Nonetheless, we yelled "I Saved the King" as we passed by the reviewing stand.

We went back to the clan tent and while I was talking to the Clan Scotts next door the guy who was calling out for us before road up in a golf cart, got out, and came up to apologize for the blotched march again. I said not a problem we'll try again next year.

He handed me a 750ml bottle of 12 year old Singleton Single Malt and walked away, I just said WOW. We spent the rest of Sunday drinking "Apple Pie" that my friends Patty and James of the Clan Scott had made. Oh, and there is an eatery called the Tilted Kilt (a new chain) that we went to on Saturday and Sunday for dinner, whilst wearing my kilt. They loved it and I was given a free drink. All in all a fun and memorable weekend!



Left to right: Angus Turnbull, Pat Trimble, Emma Lenz, Lynn Lenz, Kim Trimble, Mason Epperly, Mary Kay Hilding, Dale Hilding, Bailey Epperly, Jim Epperly, Stacy Epperly, Bill Trimble

Games in Maxville, Ontario, Canada that same weekend.

As usual, there were many activities available. One activity we enjoyed was watching a satire of Shakespeare's Macbeth performed by the Seattle Knights, in which lines from the various films such as "Highlander," "Star Wars," "Harry Potter," and others were added to the scenes. We meet with Rick Van Meter, who portrayed Robbie Turnbull in the skit. We visited the kennel to see the dogs, and listened to the Wicked Tinkers, which is always fun.

We invite all Turnbulls to come to Enumclaw next July 27-29, 2012 and help us celebrate the 66th Annual Pacific Northwest Scottish Highland Games and Clan Gathering. Come early and visit the many wonderful sights in the Pacific Northwest.



The third in a series of the travel adventures of Kenneth and Patricia Turnbull (from Australia) throughout Scotland.

Killearn village is quiet, also historic, but we wasted no time to explore the southern area of this land. We had seen many of the historic sites and wondered in awe at them. Of particular interest was the old highland 'croft' and according to the locals the three rock mounds were a 'settlement guidepost'.

On display at Urquhart Castle was a replica of a trebuchet, used for hurling stone balls at castle walls to weaken them.



A Scottish Croft and ancient travellers 'Guideposts'



At the Urquhart Castle remains on the edge of Loch Ness, we encountered a replica of a trebuchet, a giant catapult.



Built with solid natural materials, this stately highland mansion gave an insight into an earlier Scotland.

Several stately old mansions had been seen in their near original state on our travels in the highlands. The busy city of Glasgow brought us back to the present Scottish lifestyle. The medieval Glasgow Cathedral, is the only one to survive time, virtually complete.



Deep underground in the ornate crypt of the Glasgow Cathedral where further traditional services were conducted.

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