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#### New Year -NEW OFFICERS

new slate of offices and elections adds new faces to TCA Aas well as bringing back some familiar ones. New by-laws amended in 2012 replaced the Board of Trustees with a more diverse set of elected offices. In addition to President, Secretary and Treasurer, six new Vice-Presidents were elected to serve the new three year term.

Wally Turnbull, Turnbull Clan Association Honorary Chief, was elected to the office of President. Wally served two terms as president from 2004-2009. Wally resides in North Carolina, USA Brian Turnbull, Quebec, Canada, returns as Treasurer and Chris Nelson, New York, USA, continues as Secretary.

As per the by-laws, whenever possible the six Vice-Presidents will represent TCA from various countries and parts of the US and Canada where TCA is active. They will be asked to perform duties based on the current needs of the association. their talents and location. Duties could include assistance with genealogy, web maintenance, Bullseye, representing TCA and sponsoring a regional event for local Turnbulls, promoting games participation, as examples.

The newly elected VPs represent three regions in the US, as well as Australia, and Scotland.

Mark Turnbull, New Hampshire, USA, is the VP of Archives. The Archivist collects and catalogs items and information pertaining to Clan and TCA history.

Brian Turnbull, Kelso, Scotland, is a new officer to TCA. Brian is the VP for Social Media. Brian will help link members from around Highland Games.



VPs Karen Torrey and Mark Turnbull meet up at the NH

the world to each other through Facebook and other social media options.

Bill Trimble, Washington, USA, is a familiar face to TCA. Bill is the new VP of Events. His duties will include planning, organizing, and executing major Turnbull events, including games and the AGM. He also trains, offers support to, and coordinates Tent Hosts and other TCA representatives.

## **NEW YEAR - NEW MEMBERSHIP MODEL**

With the passage of the new by-laws last year, came a new membership model for TCA. In an effort to reach more members, especially younger ones and to keep up with the social media trend and electronic services, TCA now has two categories of membership, registered members and contributing members.

The new social model of registered membership is available FREE to everyone who registers. Turnbull family worldwide can now register and receive electronic versions of the Bullseye newsletter, plus web news, and special interest features and information about Scottish games and genealogy.

Contributing members pay an annual dues of \$24 USD. In addition to the above benefits, they receive voting privileges, are eligible to hold office, and may elect to have a printed, mailed copy of the Bullseye.

Because membership is free we encourage members to support the activities of the clan, including tent hosting at Scottish events, by becoming contributing members with a voluntary annual dues of \$24 and with donations to TCA. Because of printing and mailing costs, the Bullseye newsletter is only available by post to contributing members. It is available online as a download for free to all members at www.turnbullclan.com.

Are you a long time member of TCA and do you like the way it was? Don't do or want to do Facebook? No problem, everything works just the way it always has for

(See page 8 for more about registering.)

Betty Turnbull, North Carolina, USA, is familiar to TCA members as editor of the Bullseye for many years. She joins the team as VP for Communications.

Karen Torrey, New Hampshire, USA, is not new to TCA but new to the officers and is the VP of Development. Karen is responsible for raising funds to support special Clan activities and programs.

Most members will know Kenneth Turnbull, Queensland, Australia, the new VP of International News from the International news page of the Bullseye. It is an easy step to combine this role with the his new responsibilities of keeping members up to date with world news, past and present.



VP Kenneth Turnbull travels with wife, Patricia, from Australia and meets up with VP Betty and President Wally Turnbull in Durham, NC.

#### From the President

The first time I heard Facebook called "social media" I rejected the idea. I saw nothing social about having virtual friends, many of whom I've never met, over the internet. Now, I understand that the world has changed. I want to say that we must all change too, but in fact, we don't have to. We can continue as in the past; but if we do that, we will miss a great deal of interacting with and influence on our youth and young adults who follow and sometimes lead us. Yesterday, I went to pick up my daughter at her home and, as I waited in the driveway and watched her through the kitchen window, she texted me (yes, that's a verb now) that she would be right out. When I asked a young lady I work with at church for her email address she gave me her Facebook link, saying that she no longer uses email and only communicates through Facebook. My wife, Betty, plays electronic scrabble with our sons and grandchildren on a regular basis, even when one of them visits us here at home. OK, so they are geeks but then I hear that the geek shall inherit the earth...

I confess that I don't do much with my personal Facebook page but Betty keeps up on hers and fills me in on extended family news. I do, however, try to follow the Turnbull Facebook page (www.facebook.com/TurnbullClan) and am always happy to see how Turnbulls from all over the world, most of whom have never met in person, encourage each other and exchange very personal greetings. I've never seen a quarrel or even an argument amongst them which make one wonder if they really are Turnbull or just in-laws. Then, again, perhaps this social media thing really is good. Yes, I do believe it is. I hope you will too.

In addition to the established heritage and fraternity programs of our clan, I have two priorities. I want to reach and enfold our younger members and I want to increase global unity and participation both in leadership and in membership. I can't do that alone. It takes a village or, in this case, a clan. I am so very pleased that our members have elected officers from Scotland, Australia, Canada, and the United States to lead in these objectives.

Thank you, Rhet, for leading TCA in this direction. We have a lot to learn from our children as we continue to grow TCA into an organization that serves our worldwide members of all ages.

~PapaBull

#### **Sharing and Caring**

Beth Gay wants to thank everyone for their thoughts and prayers and says she is doing much better.

Please keep the Australian family in your prayers as many face out of control fires and the aftermath and a recent violent cyclone.

#### Meet the President

Wally Turnbull (AKA PapaBull) was born and raised in the country of Haiti with missionary parents. He met his wife, Betty, while attending Rockford College in Rockford, IL. After completing his MFA degree at Ohio University, the two went to Haiti in 1972 to help establish a newly developed self-help project with the mission his parents began.



Wally and Betty planned to stay two years in Haiti and then return to the United States, where Wally would teach art at the university level and Betty would be mom and an elementary teacher. Wally says, "That was my plan, but God had another plan." What was supposed to be a two-year commitment, turned into 30 years.

Wally and Betty used their education backgrounds while in Haiti. They were involved in not only the self-help project, but became actively involved in rural education. When the couple left Haiti in 2002, there were over 150 schools with more than 60,000 students in the rural education program.

Wally is the author of *Creole Made Easy*, a language guide for learning Creole. Among his other publications is *Hidden Meanings*, *Truth and Secret in Haiti's Creole Proverbs*.

Wally and Betty currently reside in Durham, NC where they run Light Messages Publishing, a traditional and partnership publishing company. Wally enjoys helping others see their works in print and sharing what they have to say.

Wally has been able to trace his ancestry to Scotland back to the 1600s and Laird Adam Turnbull of Denesyde. His great great great grandfather, John Turnbull, immigrated to the New World through Canada in 1824, where he received a land grant to farm in the South Monaghan area outside of Ontario.

Wally is active in his church where he serves as an elder. His hobbies include travelling, photography and cooking.

When he isn't promoting Turnbull Clan, he enjoys being PapaBull to his 4 grandchildren and participating in local civic events.

#### **BULLSEYE**

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# A Look Back at 2012



A very successful AGM was held at the Pacific North West Highland Games near Seattle, Washington. Special thanks to Bill and Pat Trimble for their hard work.

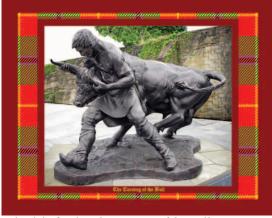


Below: George Tancred's Rulewater and Its People and Dr. Andrew Turnbull and The New Smyrna Colony of Florida are back in print and available through amazon.com and Barnes & Noble.

Right: President Rhet Turnbull presents Kim Trimble with the Clan Member of the year award and *Bullseye* Editor, Betty Turnbull, with the John F. Turnbull Lifetime Achievement Award.

Left: Clan Turnbull wins the coveted Best Tent award at the New Hampshire Highland Games.

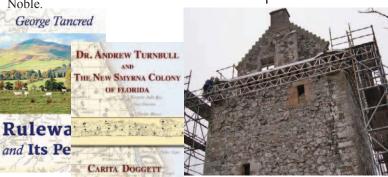
Did you know? The website received over 10,000 visits from over 120 countries!



The debt for the *The Turning of the Bull* monument was paid in full! A big thank you to all who made this possible.









Renovations to save Fatlips Castle got underway. Top Left, the roof before work began. Top Right: Progress being made!

Above: Turnbull Clan High Schenachie, Norman Turnbull, and Terri Robinson, wed at the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games with Wally Turnbull, Honorary Chief, presiding.

The ceremony combined ancient Scottish handfasting with modern day tradition.

#### **UK - BBC Turnbull moves north**



BBC Breakfast host Bill Turnbull is so confident the show will NOT be returning to London that he has

moved north. Despite the rumours it could head back to London, front man Bill says the show's going nowhere. He said: "We rent a house in the Peak District... kit and caboodle we have upped sticks, we have moved. Wife, dogs, children as they come and go. All up here. A crash pad was an idea briefly, until I realised the dogs would have to go and stay with someone else. It is all the dogs' fault, really."

#### USA - Sun's reflection damage



One Omaha family is not looking forward to summer out of fear their house could catch fire. "It's so hot it starts to burn your hand," says Dawn Turnbull. They don't need a calendar. The house siding is a sun dial, as their neighbour's window reflects the afternoon sun. A thermometer can read 245°F (118°C) and climbing to a top temperature of 288°F (142°C) and is enough to start melting an ice cube in minutes on the vinyl siding with insulation underneath.

#### Australia - Jockey races for State

Champion Junior Driver Amanda Turnbull has been named by the Harness Rac-



ing New South Wales, to represent her state at the Australasian Young Drivers Championship during the 2013 Tabcorp Inter Dominion series. Daughter of Steve Turnbull and granddaughter of Inter Dominion trainer, Tony Turnbull, she has accumulated 674 wins and well over \$3 million in prize money.



by Kenneth Turnbull - International News Editor

#### Scotland - Scottish artist William Turnbull dies aged 90



Revered Scottish painter and sculptor, William Turnbull died on the 15th November 2012, age 90. The New York Times recalls he was famous for "his blending of modernism with

archaic and primitive forms." Throughout a 70-year career, Turnbull's work evolved and changed, adapting to the times. He began with works close to postwar figurative sculpture, inspired by Giacometti and Moore, and he turned toward "an organic form of semi-abstraction, as displayed by Constantin Brancusi", before choosing geometric minimalism and eventually returning to his former figurative style. He is survived by his sons Alex (above) and Johnny.

#### UK - Boost in the search for a new Alzheimer's drug

Scientists at the University of Liverpool have begun work on developing the ability of sugars to block a protein that causes damage in the brain in Alzheimer's patients. Professor Jerry Turnbull and his



team, from the University's Institute of Integrative Biology, discovered that a family of long chain sugars, called Heparan Sulphates (HS), which are found in nearly every cell of the body, can prevent the formation of small proteins that form clumps in the brain. Professor Turnbull said: "The protein that we are interested in is called BACE and is responsible for creating amyloid, which builds up in the brain in Alzheimer's and causes damage. While BACE isn't a new target for drug development, it has proved to be a difficult protein to block. We are using a new approach, harnessing the natural ability of sugars

#### New Zealand - Library moves to future

If the founder, Alexander Horsburgh Turnbull could visit the Library, he would not believe his eyes. There's not a book in sight, not even a comfy leather chair. Who needs chairs to lounge on when you're straight-backed in front of a screen? And it's screens and digital gadgets that say

this library is far, far from a library circa 1950. It is now a library seriously circa 2013, more digitally up-to-date than any in the world.



N. Zealand atlas, 1778

#### Australia - Social worker deceased

In her long career as a social worker Shirley Turnbull, born in 1933, was a member of research teams for ethnic welfare.



guide dogs, deaf children, spina bifida, haemophilia and general problems of underprivileged children. She was also on the world's first committee to establish Riding for the Disabled. In 1965, she came to Australia as a £10 migrant and married Peter Turnbull. In the late 1970s, she became the social worker for Sydney Eye Hospital, counselling and helping patients from Africa, Bangladesh, the south Pacific and the far corners of Australia. In 1995, she was awarded a medal of the Order of Australia for her services to the visually impaired.

#### **USA - Orland Art Gallery**

Local artist George Turnbull celebrated the Christmas season with a one-man show at the Orland Art Center in De-



cember. "One Artist's Gift" featured a wide variety of his talents. Watercolours, oils and prints. Well known for his Western artwork, this show was no exception. Cowboys, cattle, horses and riding tack were featured in the event that displayed 37 pieces of his work for the first time in one gallery. He is a graduate of Carnegie Mellon University, in Fine Arts.

#### **USA - New president of Mid-Pacific Institute**

Paul Turnbull, superintendant of Santa Ynez Valley Union High School District near Santa Barbara, Calif., has been named the new president of Mid-Pacific Institute in Honolulu, one of Hawaii's largest private schools. "Coming to our



Manoa campus, Dr. Turnbull has the breadth and depth of experience to lead the school forward, building upon its traditional strengths," Kenneth Kupchak, chairman of the school's Board of Trustees, said in a statement. Turnbull, a Dr. of Philosophy from the University of California Santa Barbara, also holds a master's degree in education. "Mid-Pacific is steeped in a tradition of renewal and growth, and he is looking forward to building upon that tradition.

# Issue 13 Bitty Bulls

Welcome to 2013, Bitty Bull friends! In this issue you can jump into a fun story about some animal friends and their escapades.

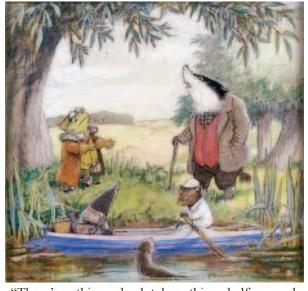
Bitty Bull wishes you a toadally wonderful year full of adventure and friendships.



## Kenneth Grahame

1859-1932

Kenneth Grahame was born in March 8, 1859 in Edinburgh, Scotland. When he was about a year old his family moved to a seaside town where he happily lived until he was five. There his mother died in childbirth with his youngest brother. His father, unable to care for Kenneth and his two brothers and sister, sent them to live with their grandmother. Living there the children were allowed to freely explore the surrounding woods and waterways. Kenneth's uncle introduced him to boating on the River Thames. Later, because of the cost, Kenneth was unable to attend Oxford University and instead worked at the Bank of England. He worked hard and eventually was promoted to Secretary of the bank before he retired in 1908. In 1899 he married Elspeth Thomsan and they had one child, Alastair or "Mouse". His son was partially blind and sickly and died at the age of 19. Throughout Alastair's childhood, Grahame told him many bedtime stories about the adventures of Mole, Water Rat, shy Badger, and daring Mr. Toad that would eventually become the well known classic *The Wind in the* Willows. The main character, Mr. Toad, with his head strong nature, was based on his own son Alastair. The Wind in the Willows was published in 1908 and became a favorite among both children and adults. Grahame published many other stories for newspapers as a young adult, including *The* Reluctant Dragon, but The Wind in the Willows remains the best known and loved of all of his stories. He died in 1932.



"There's nothing--absolutely nothing--half so much worth doing as messing about in boats."

### Ad-ven-ture

noun: an exciting or remarkable experience, sometimes involving danger or risks

Mr. Toad dreamed of going on adventures. If you could go anywhere and do anything, what would it be?

Write to bittybulls@turnbullclan.com and let us know!



#### Book Nook~

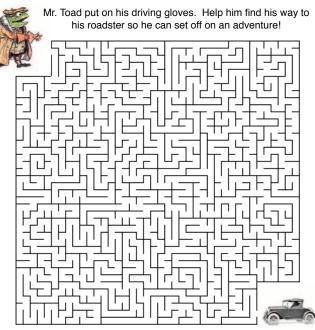
**Return to the Willows** by Jacqueline Kelly (288 pages, ages 8+) Enjoy more fun adventures with the same four river friends. Beautifully illustrated.

The Reluctant Dragon by Kenneth Grahame (48 pages, ages 7+)

A boy discovers a dragon in a cave, but the dragon turns out to be nothing like expected in a fairytale. Whimsically illustrated by well known children's literature artist Michael Hague.



"Here today, up and off to somewhere else tomorrow! Travel, change, interest, excitement! The whole world before you, and a horizon that's always changing!"





## Mr. Toad's Friendship Toast

Design your own special toast and share with a friend!

Ingredients:

Bread slices
Food coloring
Small paint brushes
One small glass of milk per color
Butter, Honey, or Jam
Toaster

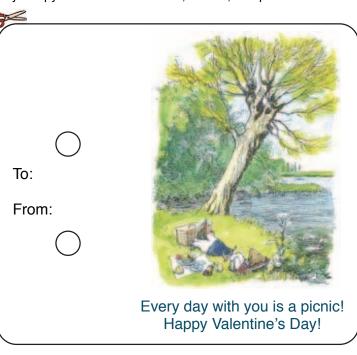
Directions:

- 1. Mix in a few drops of food color into each glass of milk
- Using brush paint a funny face or write a silly message onto the toast
- 3. Toast as desired
- 4. Top with butter, honey, or jam
- 5. Share with a friend and enjoy!

"When the girl returned, some hours later, she carried a tray, with a cup of fragrant tea steaming on it; and a plate piled up with very hot buttered toast, cut thick, very brown on both sides, with the butter running through the holes in great golden drops, like honey from the honeycomb. The smell of that buttered toast simply talked to Toad, and with no uncertain voice; talked of warm kitchens, of breakfasts on bright frosty mornings, of cosy parlour firesides on winter evenings, when one's ramble was over and slippered feet were propped on the fender, of the purring of contented cats, and the twitter of sleepy canaries."

~All quotes and illustrations taken from The Wind in the Willows by Kenneth Grahame

February 14th is Valentine's Day. Celebrate your friendships by making some *The Wind in the Willows* Valentine cards to give away. Copy cards onto card stock, cut out, and punch out circles to slide a lollipop through holes. Give away to a special friend.





## What's the Difference Between...

Toads

&

Frogs

- Don't need to live near water to
- Have rough, dry, and bumpy skin
- Wider, fatter bodies
- Eyes are lower on head and oval shaped
- Hind legs are shorter
- Don't jump, but take small hops
- Skin emits a bitter smell and taste when threatened by a predator

- Need to live near water to survive
- Skin is smooth and moist
- Skinny bodies
- Eyes are high on head and round
- Hind legs are long and strong
- Jump great distances
- Make a tasty meal for many predators

You don't get warts from touching either one!



# New Tent Hosts Represent Southwest Games

by Louise Turnbull

It has been just a year since Bill and Claudia Trimble talked Marty and I into being tent hosts for TCA in Arizona. We are ever so thankful that they sought us out, because this has been a truly remarkable experience for us.

We started out with absolutely nothing except some camping equipment, some sage advice from the Trimbles and many back copies of the Bullseye full of information we could pass on to others. It proved to be a little costly by the time we purchased a larger tent, an association banner, and a few pieces of tartan to accent our clothing. I made a banner to use in opening ceremonies and another for our tent showing Marty's genealogy going back to David Turnbull born 1760 in Torryburn, Fife, Scotland. As the year went by we pieced together books and maps and other informative information.

Our first highland games experience was in March 2012 at the Phoenix Caledonian Society Highland Games. We were quite



nervous about our first experience being tent hosts, but everyone was so helpful and friendly that we soon started feeling like one of the family. The weather was beautiful all weekend, and the setting couldn't have been more lovely. The event was held at the

Indian School Park in Phoenix. All of the clan tents were situated right next to the large park lake. We had such a wonderful experience at those games, that we decided maybe this was something we would continue to pursue.

In April, we were invited to participate in the second annual Rim County Celtic Festival in Payson, AZ. Payson is a rapidly growing community in the foothills of the Mogollon Rim, 75 miles north of Phoenix. Marty and I drove up on Friday with our 5th wheel RV in tow and set up our tent in the appointed outdoor arena. Saturday morning we woke to an inch of snow all over everything! After some fast scrambling on the part of the festival director, people were moved into the nearby Elks Lodge banquet room. Because snow and slides had closed the main highway, Marty and I were the only clan to be represented at the gathering. We received lots of attention that day, and made several lasting acquaintances. Sunday was a nice day, so everything was moved back outdoors.

July 21st and July 22nd was the fifteenth annual Arizona Highland Celtic Festival. It was announced over the loudspeaker during the opening ceremonies that the Turnbull Clan was being represented for the first time. We were heartily welcomed by all. I think this festival was attended by as many or more folks as there were in Phoenix. Sunday afternoon, we were excited



Martin Turnbull, Turnbull Clan Tent Host, Tucson, AZ, November 2012

to meet Birget Turnbull from Glasgow, Scotland and her sister Hanne Karman from Pennsylvania. The two were visiting the area and had come to the festival in hopes of finding a Turnbull Clan Tent. We were so glad to be there for them.



Our last event of the year was the Tucson Celtic Festival and Scottish Highland Games held November 2nd – 4th. This was their 26th annual festival, the second largest in the state. By this time, we were familiar with many of the other clan representatives and it seemed like were part of one big family. We have received so much good advice and information from everyone we come in contact with. We don't feel at all like strangers anymore and look forward to many more years of spreading the word about our Turnbull heritage and TCA!



Congratulations to Doris Turnbull who turned 80 in November, 2012! Seven of her eight children were able to attend her party. Left to right: Mark, Virginia, Vivian, Lester, Doris, Lyndon, Margo, and Mervin. Doris was married to husband Edwin until his passing, and son Ross was missing.

## Membership Registration



To register as a member of TCA, go to the website www.turnbullclan.com, and click on the *Register Online* button. Follow the instructions and you'll start receiving the Bullseye newsletter electronically, as well as have access to everything on the website. If you prefer to *Register by Mail*, click that button and follow the directions.

If you are already a member and don't remember your login information, click on the login and click on "Forgot Login" and follow the instructions.

Don't forget to visit www. facebook.com/TurnbullClan

and *Like* the page to stay up to date with Turnbulls around the world! *Like* the Facebook page during the before the end of March and TotallyTurnbull will give you a digital version of the *Turning of the Bull* monument, suitable for framing, as seen on page 3. Spread the word!

Dae ye ken? (Do you know?)

Canny = Cautious Smirr = Drizzle Sherrack = Noisy Quarrel

## La Breith Sona!



Wishing a muckle celebration to all our January and February Birthday members!

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