

TURNBULL CAIRN AND TIME CAPSULE

By Wally Turnbull, President

There is nothing we can create which connects us more to those who have gone before and will come after than a cairn. The unmistakably man-made pile of stones known in the Scottish Gaelic as a càrn (plural càirn) says “man was here and considered this place important.” Our ancestors put up cairns before their history was recorded in other ways. Cairns are found all over the world but nowhere are they more a part of the heritage of the land and people than in the Land of the Scots. Cairns are built to say to God and to those who follow us that “we remember.” Three thousand years ago the prophet Samuel built a cairn between Mizpah and Shen and called it Ebenezer (Eben ha-’ezer) which means “stone of help” saying “Thus far the Lord has helped us.” 1 Samuel 7:12. The Bible refers to God Himself as a stone and a tower “The Lord is my rock, my fortress, my deliverer, my God, my stronghold in whom I take refuge, my shield, the glory of my salvation, and my high tower.” Psalm 18:2”

Yes, a cairn is important because it marks something important and also because it does something important. It says “I remember and want you to remember.” So, we will build a cairn in Bedrule, a bucolic hamlet in the Rule Valley of the Scottish Borders. Today Bedrule is a quiet place providing a peaceful place to live for its inhabitants who, in turn, provide sheep and cattle to the people of Scotland. The past of the Rule Valley was not so peaceful and those who lived its history paid a dear price for the life enjoyed today. Our cairn will show that we remember that and will encourage others to remember it too.

The Rule Water runs through the Rule Valley. As an important tributary of the Teviot River, Rule Water begins as a number of small burns (creeks) in the hills south of the valley which come together at the Forkins and run north for nine miles to meet the Teviot below Minto Crags dominated by Fatlips Tower. Most of this area was in the parish of Abbotrule which included the villages of Hall of Roull, Toun of Roull, Butlerwell, Foultonne (Foul Town), and Baddroull (Bedrule).

The Rule Valley was important because it had water and the land was good. About half the land is suitable for crops and the other half is top-quality grazing land. The inhabitants of the area, many of them Rules, eventually Turnbulls, grew in number developing villages and the market town of Foul Town (Foulton). Located at a low point next to a burn the town was muddy and foul smelling in the rainy season and was awarded its odious name.

The high number of inhabitants and its proximity to the border



A rendering of the Cairn and its placement in the Bedrule Kirkyard. (Not actual Cairn.)

made the Rule Valley important economically and politically to Scotland. In the early fourteenth century the Rule name was largely replaced by their Turnbull descendants and those who assumed the name of the famous William Rule Turn-e-bull.

The primary stronghold in the Rule Valley was Bedrule Castle originally built by the Comyns in the late thirteenth century during the reign of their kinsman John Balliol. When John “the Red” Comyn and Robert Bruce emerged as claimants to the throne of Scotland Bruce killed Comyn in the Dumfries Greyfriars Church in 1306. Bruce became king and the Comyns virtually disappeared. Their lands in the Borders were given to James Douglas, friend and patron of the Turnbulls. Douglas gave Bedrule Castle to the Turnbulls who maintained possession of it until around the time of the Second Jacobite Rebellion. The fortress castle along with Fulton tower, Mantocrake (Minto Crag / Fatlips), and other borders fortifications were destroyed in 1545 during the rough wooing of the Mary, Queen of Scots, by Henry VIII for his son Edward VI.

The inhabitants of the Rule Valley with their power base at Bedrule Castle featured prominently in many battles during Scotland’s struggles for independence too numerous to describe here but described in greater detail in Norman Turnbull’s upcoming book *Border Tales and Trails*. As R.E. Scott puts it in *I Saved the King*, “Few Border battles have been recorded without one or other of the Turnbulls being implicated and, indeed, when the occasion arose, the whole of the clan rallied to the Douglasses, and their neighbours, in defending their country and their homeland, besides relishing any opportunity in battling with the ‘auld enemy’ over the Border.”

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John Leyden put it this way in *Scenes of Infancy*:

... Where Tumbulls once, a race no power could awe,
Lined the rough skirts of stormy Ruberslaw:
Bold was the chief from whom their line they drew,
Whose nervous arm the furious bison slew...

For those who called the Rule Valley home, defended it and helped bring independence to Scotland, for William Rule Turne-bull, Bishop William Turnbull, "Out with the Sword" John Turnbull, The Turnbolls hanged at Deadman's Haugh, John F. Turnbull who founded TCA, Norman Turnbull our late High Shenachie, today's wonderful inhabitants of the Rule Valley, to mark the location of Bedrule Castle, and to celebrate ourselves, we will build a cairn in Bedrule.

The cairn was conceived by Norman Turnbull, designed by Barrie Turnbull, and its construction is being overseen by Gemma Turnbull Barnard. It will look like a traditional Scottish cairn standing on the north side of the Bedrule Kirkyard but it will have a couple of fun twists to it. The cairn will include stones from places around the Borders of significance to the Turnbulls. The capstone will be a finial from Fatlips Castle given to Gemma during the recent restoration. Inside the cairn will be a stainless steel time capsule containing information about Rulewater, Turnbulls, and Bedrule Castle. To avoid vandalism nothing of monetary value will be included, only items of historical or sentimental importance. There will be a bronze plaque on the cairn briefly describing its significance.

With the time capsule and bronze plaque, the cairn will cost approximately US\$5,000 to build. With this issue of the Bullseye a fund-raising campaign is being undertaken to cover the cost. No gift is too large or too small. Everyone can and should participate.

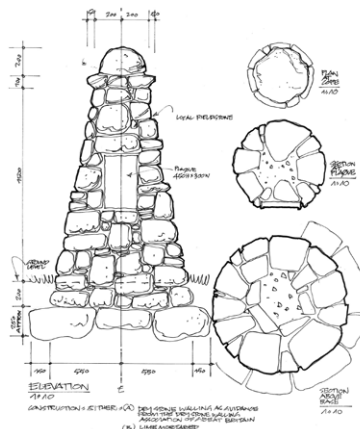
There are still a few of the official Turnbull flags which were flown over the site of the Bedrule Castle. As long as the limited supply lasts, one of those flags including a certificate of authenticity, will be given to those who contribute \$500 or more to the cairn project.

Please support this project, not just because funds are needed but to be part of our long-standing tradition of thanking God for our blessings and honoring those who helped provide those blessings to us and future generations. Join the long-standing practice of our ancestors in raising a stone to say "I remember and I want those who follow to remember."

Yours aye, PapaBull

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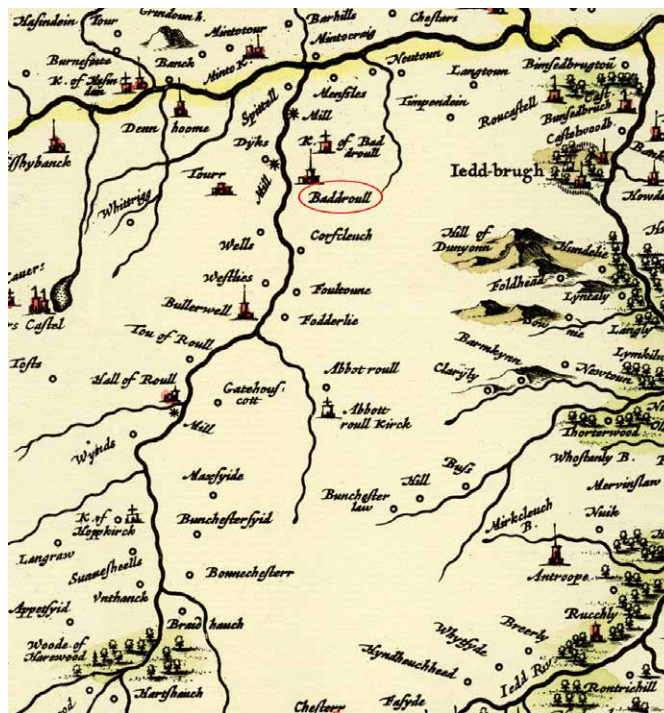
My apologies to the TCA family for the lateness of this issue of the Bullseye. I suffered a broken right wrist, which consequently needed surgery and then a broken right shoulder. Thank you for your understanding. ~Betty Turnbull, Editor



Barrie Turnbull's architectural plans for the Turnbull Cairn

You can help make this happen and be part of Borders history and preserving Turnbull history for generations to come. You can donate online by clicking the Donate button on the homepage (www.turnbullclan.com) or by mailing a check to the address below. There are a limited number of official Turnbull flags, flown above Bedrule Castle remains which will be given, while supplies last, for donations of \$500 or more. We're counting on your help to see Norman Turnbull's dream come true. US donations are tax deductible.

Send checks made out to TCA to: Chris Nelson, 29 Fremont St
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Seventeenth century Rulewater map

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2013 Prosser Scottish Fest & Highland Games

Saturday, June 15, 2013 at Prosser, Washington

By Bill & Pat Trimble

Bill and Pat Trimble, and Bill's brother Kim Trimble hosted the TCA Tent at the Prosser Scottish Games. Dale and MaryKay Hilding, who usually host the tent, were unable to attend due to a prior commitment.

Throughout the day we were visited by several Clan reps, vendors, performers, and visitors, including Jim and Kathy Turnbull of Yakima, WA, and Matthew Turnbull of West Richland, WA, who had never attended the Prosser Games before and were very interested in learning about the Turnbull Clan and the origin of their name! Hopefully, Matthew is now a member. We look forward to going again next year.



Kim and Bill Trimble at the Turnbull Clan Tent, 2013 Prosser, Washington Highland Games

2013 Seattle Scottish Highland Games

July 26-27-28, 2013 at Enumclaw, Washington

The weather was sunny and very warm Saturday, then cool and breezy on Sunday--typical Scottish weather for the 67th annual Seattle Scottish Highland Games! Bill and Pat Trimble and Kim Trimble hosted the TCA tent, and were joined on Saturday by Dale and MaryKay Hilding of Pendleton, OR.

Dale's cousins, Jack and Donna Alexander, their daughter Joanne Zoellner, and granddaughter Alexandra Zoellner, of Carson City NV, spent Saturday with us, as did Pat and Bill's daughter Stacy Epperly, her husband Jim, their son Mason and daughter Bailey of Kennewick, WA. When it came time for the Parade of Clans Saturday afternoon, Bill and Kim led the TCA Delegation that included MaryKay, Jack and Donna, Stacy and Bailey, plus Lynn and Emma Lenz, Amy Trimble and her fiancé Patrick Lium, and our new 'friend' John Colton from Hood River, OR (whose mother is a Turnbull).

Dozens of visitors stopped by on both days, and we handed out several TCA Membership Applications. We had a great time, and everyone agreed to return again next year!



Pat and Bill Trimble, with Kim Trimble represent Clan Turnbull with a double tent display at the 2013 Seattle, WA games in Enumclaw, WA.

AGM 2013- SEE YOU THERE!

DON'T MISS this year's Turnbull Clan Association's **Annual General Meeting** to be held at the **Central Virginia Celtic Festival and Highland Games in Richmond, Virginia, USA**. Veteran tent hosts Bill and Claudia Trimble will be on hand to welcome us all. Mark your calendars for **October 19-20**. This is a wonderful opportunity to get to know fellow clansmen. Details about the 2014 AGM to be held in Scotland will be presented. There are a limited number of hotel rooms with a special price being reserved for Clan Turnbull - **RESERVE NOW! Ask for one of these when making reservations.** The AGM Banquet will be at 6:00, October 19 at the Olive Garden, 4467 S. Laburnum Ave. Both hotels below provide shuttle service to and from the airport and to the banquet.

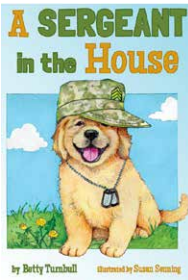
Hilton Garden Inn Airport - (804) 222-3338 - \$99 per night, restaurant on site

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Waiting for the Parade of Clans at the Seattle Highland Games, left to right, MaryKay Hilding, Pat Trimble, John Colton, and Bill Trimble.

USA - A Sergeant In The House



'A Sergeant in the House' is a children's book about a little boy's wish and the sacrifices of our nation's heroes. Writ-

ten in honor of our military men and women, children's author Betty Turnbull is supporting Hope For The Warriors® by donating all royalties from the book to this organisation, to help and contribute to the needs of wounded service members and military families. Hope For The Warriors® is a national non-profit organization that assists post-9/11 service members, their families, and families of the fallen who have sustained physical and psychological wounds in the line of duty.

UK - Carriage fit for a Princess

Lisa Turnbull certainly felt like a princess on her big day after her mum Eileen and sister Leanne



booked a horse and carriage for her as a special wedding treat. The pair spent a long time searching for the perfect vehicle, before finding The Ostler Carriage Company online. The white carriage pictured on the site was just what they were looking for.

Canada - Local businesses honoured



Ed Turnbull remembers when Turnbull Excavating was a small, fledgling operation in 1985 that had just one truck. During the

past 28 years, the outfit has grown into a thriving company with several different business divisions that employ numerous people, and a fleet of vehicles and equipment that help him meet the needs of the community. His efforts were rewarded June 14 when Turnbull Excavating was named the business of the year Estevan Business Excellence Awards (EBEX) at Spectra Place.



by Kenneth Turnbull - International News Editor

Scotland - Glasgow Boys art on show ahead of auction



More than 20 works, in oil, watercolour and pastel, went on display at the Royal Faculty of Procurators in Nelson Mandela Square for a few hours in May. They were then auctioned at Lyon & Turnbull auctioneers in Edinburgh. The collection includes paintings by the leading members of the seminal group of Glasgow artists, including Sir John Lavery, Edward Arthur Walton, George Henry and EA Hornel. The *Schoolmates* (shown here) by Walton, is expected to fetch up to £60,000.

Australia - Sounds big and pompous? Perfect!

It had to sound big and pompous — that's why Steven Turnbull, 20, picked up a trombone back in high school. A contributing reason for selecting the trombone and not the cello was that his mother, Anne, had already claimed that instru-

ment. The pair in June, attended their second Border Music Camp together at The Scots School in Albury. "I have been coming for seven years and this year I have returned as one of the staff, helping out the library team with sheet music," Mr Turnbull said. "Being staff comes with its advantages — you get to be in the staff band." Anne had other reasons to attending her third camp. "I am part of many string groups around Wangaratta and it's great to have a week of practice with people who love the instrument just as much as you do," she said.



Canada - Paying it forward, one toy at a time

A class project suddenly turned into an act of generosity when three St. Paul Elementary School students



delivered numerous bags of toys to a couple of Montreal hospitals in May. Paige Turnbull, 11, Emma Saraullo, 10, and Emily Baker, 11, collected and personally delivered over 200 toys

to the Montreal Children's Hospital and the Shriners Hospitals for Children Canada in Montreal. "I felt really good inside because when I get something I'm happy but I find I get more of a sense of achievement doing things myself," said Turnbull, who donated four toys herself. "I'm really happy they're getting toys."

Ireland - Easy daytime glamour

Pro make-up artist Emily Turnbull is on creating a gorgeous daytime pout - perfect



for weddings and summer parties. Getting your make-up right for that all-important event can be pretty stressful. Whether you're a bride, a wedding guest or attending a summer party - daytime make-up can be daunting, thanks to the sometimes unforgiving, nature of natural light. Pro make-up artist Emily Turnbull, who has beautified countless brides, gleaned her top tips for easy daytime lipstick glam. "I have always preferred a glossy look for a bride, as it looks polished and healthy - matte lips can look great but only if there is no dryness to the lips," says Emily.

New Zealand - Moto Cross rider

With a broken collarbone at the start of the season, this wasn't enough to stop a Mandeville Moto Cross Country rider from coming



out ahead. Ben Turnbull, of Gore High School, ended the cross-country season on top of his game. Turnbull achieved third overall in the under 250cc senior class and was also a part of the team which won the senior team section.

Australia - Success runs in family

Cowra Eisteddfod success runs in the family for The Lagoon's Ella-Grace Turnbull, who won its 'Five years and under'



baby dance solo section last month. Her mother Jess, now a dance teacher at Bathurst's JLD Dance Studio, won the same category when she competed at the Eisteddfod years ago. Ella-Grace trains six nights a week, taking classes in jazz, tap, ballet, acro, Eisteddfod group and solo. Jess said her daughter pulled her performance together on the day to win the Munday Family Trophy.

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Bitty Bulls



Hello Kids!

I am taking a vacation for the next month. I can't wait to put more stamps in my passport and stickers on my luggage. I would love to know where you like to go on vacation with your family. Drop me a note and tell me about your favorite places--who knows, I might just visit some of them!

-Bitty

Favorite Vacation Spots Around the World

Unscramble each place. Which one would you like to visit?

SIRAP	_____
DOONNL	_____
WEN KROY CYTI	_____
OTRUEP OCIR	_____
SDNYEY	_____
CANOUVREV	_____
CHIRUZ	_____
BEDINURGH	_____
GRAPUE	_____
HABAMAS	_____
SOL AGELESN	_____
JIINGBE	_____

Tongue Twisters



She sells seashells on the seashore.

Mix a box of mixed biscuits with a boxed biscuit mixer.

A proper copper coffee pot.

I saw Esau sitting on a seesaw. Esau, he saw me.

Toy boat. Toy boat. Toy boat.

How do teddy bears keep their den cool in summer?

They use bear conditioning!

What do frogs like to drink on a hot summer day?

Croak-o-cola

Why do bananas use sunscreen?

Because they peel!





Fun Places to Visit in Scotland



1854 Vintage Wedding Gown Restored



TCA member James Olson shares with us the story of his Great-Grandmother's Scottish wedding dress and its restoration. Jim and his oldest daughter, Melissa, took on having the dress restored.

The gown was originally created around Glasgow, Scotland and first worn in 1854 by Jim's great-grandmother, Janet Turnbull,

when she married Matthew Bogle near Shettleson, a suburb of Glasgow.

It is a cream-colored silk gown with a deep royal blue floral pattern (the tradition of solid white wedding gowns wouldn't catch on until much later). It was then slightly altered and worn again in 1937 by Christina Bogle, Jim's mother, on her wedding day. At that time the dress was already at least 83 years old! It was then worn again in 1979 for a centennial celebration in Granite Falls, MN by Jeanette Koecher.

Wedding gown designer, Deb Griffin, of Minneapolis, MN, took on the task of restoring and recreating the original sizing, pattern, and embellishments. After the dress was first cleaned and restored by Treasured Garment Restoration's Duane Schumann, Deb began her work on this unique gown.

"It brought tears to my eyes to see the beauty of the fabric, and how well preserved the gown had been. It was such an honor to have been a part of such history," Deb Griffin stated.



James Olson and his granddaughter, Laura, inspect the restored wedding dress, originally worn by his great-grandmother Janet Turnbull for her wedding in 1854, Glasgow, Scotland.



Above: (left) Christina J. Bogle & her father, (middle) Marriage of Curt A. Olson & Christina J. Bogle c. 1937, and (right) Christina J. Bogle (early 1900s)

Jim Olson visits his great grandmother's (Janet Turnbull) grave site.

Turnbolls to Invade Borders – AGAIN!

HERE'S YOUR CHANCE to be part of Clan Turnbull making history in the Borders, again! From the 14th century, Turnbolls have been making Border history, whether it be through saving the life of Robert the Bruce, being hanged for reiving or for in more recent years, building the *Turning of the Bull* monument. Turnbolls from far and wide are gathering in the Borders to make history again.

The 2014 Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held in and around Hawick, Scotland.. The AGM will center around three major events and include an **AGM banquet** with Turnbolls from around the world. The first of these is the **five year anniversary of the *Turning of the Bull*** monument in Hawick. The second will be the **centenary re-dedication of the Bedrule Kirk** as it now stands which has a very deep Turnbull history. Parish Minister Douglas Nichol is very excited about the joining of this celebration with the worldwide gathering of Turnbull Clan members. In addition, **TCA will be unveiling and dedicating the Turnbull Cairn and Time Capsule**. The Cairn and Time Capsule is to be located in Bedrule near the Bedrule Kirk. This Cairn, with its time capsule, will preserve Border history amongst the original Turnbull lands for generations to come.

The dates of the AGM are July 18-23. In addition to the events mentioned above, special day trips include an outing to the restored Fatlips Castle and a trip to Stirling Castle (where it all began) and the Bannockburn Battle Field. Visit your homeland, walk amongst the original Turnbull lands, see where your ancestors fought hardship and battles to stay alive. To all Facebook fans - Join us for a **Facebook meet-up group** at Turnbolls in Hawick. Let's make this the largest gathering ever!

Make plans to visit other parts of Scotland while there, including the world famous Edinburgh Tattoo, taking place August 2-24. Be part of Border history, AGAIN! Information on day trips and places to stay coming in the next issue.

La Breith Sona!



Wishing a muckle
celebration to
all our July and
August Birthday!

Do You Know Douglas Fraser Turnbull?

The granddaughter of the Rev. Victor Clark-Duff of the Hunter Valley Region of NSW Australia (1910-1930s) found this photograph among her late grandfather's things. She would love to pass the photo along to heirs of Douglas Fraser Turnbull.

Her grandfather was well known in the area and later became the Moderator of the Presbyterian Church in NSW.

If you are either part of the family or know the heirs, please contact editor@turnbullclan.com

Douglas Fraser TURNBULL
Aged 7 months

Fa: Roy Carlton TURNBULL
b.17/2/1901 d. 1/12/1945

Mo: Mary Isobel GARDINER
b.22/8/1902 d. 1985

m. c1924
Singleton NSW Australia



Dae ye ken? (Do you know?)

Fuit – Foot

Baudrons – Cats

Gaun the messages – Going shopping

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