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## SCOTLAND VOTES ON INDEPENDENCE REFERENDUM

by Kenneth Turnbull - Editor



Since the union of England and Scotland became a single kingdom, around 300 years ago, many Scots have dreamed of a nation of their own and in control of its own destiny. However, the real dream of an independent Scotland truly began in Glasgow in September 1927. From there on, it simmered.



Then, after a landslide Scottish Parliamentary victory in May 2011, a Referendum was called in 2012 for the people of Scotland to have their say in September of 2014.

Several months before the Independence vote, many International visitors to Scotland, were asked by the locals what they thought about a Scottish devolution. This observation, made by a local, indicated that many Scots were still undecided as to which way they should vote.

In July, surveys indicated a heavy leaning toward the 'No' vote at 49%, with around 32% 'Yes' and another 19% undecided. It all seemed like a foregone conclusion. Yet, all was not lost for the 'Yes' case.

Over the next few weeks, the cultural nationalism of many, began to see the 'Yes' side of the vote and the percentage gap narrowed dramatically. It followed with a full-scale concern by the major political parties of why the voters



should vote either 'Yes' or 'No'. The comments for and against came thick and fast and it then became a battle; the hearts of history and the heads, for Scotland's economy and security.

The 'Yes' vote campaign stated that 'Scotland is one of the world's wealthiest countries. Rich in human talent and natural resources. As well. boasting world-class industries with many economic strengths.' 'If we vote 'No', decisions on tax, the economy and social security will remain in the hands of others. The decisions will continue to be made by Westminster; a government that we didn't vote for and their decisions which will be overwhelmingly rejected by the Scots.' So, the debate continued and spilled over into the International scene, right up to the the 18th of September.



Adding to the debates, an Australian newspaper made the following remarks to their readers. 'There is every reason Australians, with your particular history, should understand what has been happening in Scotland. Many others do not, and have viewed the events of the past few months with puzzlement.'

There are some Americans who think that the Scots have lost their minds. So do many Europeans, who cannot see why part of an existing democratic unitary state should seek to detach itself, when everybody - or just about everybody — speaks the same language and when Now the future of Scotland is in their hands.

there have been three centuries of shared government.'

As the voting day drew closer, the 'Yes' vote balance surged to become a neck and neck contest, both wavering around 50-51%. However, on the day, the percentage for the 'No' vote swung to a narrow lead of 54% and so Scotland remains within the 'United Kingdom'. The general concensus has indicated the 'No' vote was helped along leading up to the vote, with promises from the English Prime Minister, that new self governing powers for Scotland's Parliament, would be implemented.

The 16 and 17-year-olds, who voted in Scotland's referendum, didn't determine the outcome, but the margin of victory for the "Yes"



vote, was larger than their total number of votes. As Alex Salmond, Scotland's First Minister, conceded defeat, he added: "Today of all days as we bring Scotland together, let us not dwell on the distance we have fallen short, let us dwell on the distance we have travelled and have confidence the movement is abroad in Scotland that will take this nation forward."

Now, only weeks after the vote, the current Deputy First Minister, Nicola Sturgeon has warned, "Scots could be asked to vote in yet another quick-fire referendum on independence, if the new powers promised to Scotland, are not delivered." . . . Only time will tell.



## Introducing Kenneth Tumbull - Editor Bullseye

By Betty Turnbull - Editor

Many of you recognize Kenneth's name already as the Bullseyes' International Editor or perhaps from his travel photo essays and the trips he has shared with us. Kenneth is answering the call and is now stepping up to Editor. He and I will work together as co-editors of a sort, in publishing the Bullseye. Kenneth, who hails from Queensland, Australia, has much experience in the news journal industry and will be able to provide a needed International flair to our publications. Please join me in welcoming Kenneth on board as Editor.

#### From Kenneth:

My father was just two years old when he emigrated with his family from Scotland to Australia. So, my heritage traces back to Airth, a small west-coast Scottish fishing village.

The firstborn of four boys, I grew up in Brighton, a southern bayside suburrb of Melbourne in the State of Victoria. I attended Haileybury College a large private school, where I became one of the founding members of the school's Scottish Pipe Band. I still remember the ageing Scotsman, Danny McPherson, our bagpipes teacher. It was great fun. At the time, I was also a Scout, gaining my Queen's Scout level and many years later, I became a Wood Beads Scout Leader.

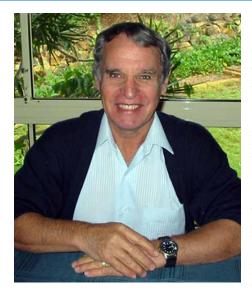
I was apprenticed in the Printing Trade and in my early twenties, after qualifying as a Journeyman, I travelled throughout Australia in a 4WD for the next 10 years. On the way around, I met and married my wife, Patricia (nee Short) in Darwin, a northern frontier city. Two years later, our first of four children, was born in North Queensland. Study took over, and I qualified as an Artist, taking on a Teaching career.

Of the private schools at which I taught, Scotch College in Melbourne, was one with fond memories. After the children had all but left home, travel became our interest and in 2007, we made a world trip including a month in and around Scotland. Very memorable. I have always been keen on photography, so I use this as a retirement hobby. For many years, I have researched our family background, so Genealogy is another interest.

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I was also one of the founding members of the TCA in Scotland. with John Turnbull the President, back in 1979. We currently live on Tamborine Mountain in the hills of the Oueensland Gold Coast and enjoy our sub-tropical lifestyle with peaceful rainforest outlook from our deck.

Pat and I continue to travel and this past

year, joined others from around the globe for the 2014 Turnbull Gathering in Hawick, Scotland.

I am excited to be working with Betty. In addition to my new duties as Editor, I will continue to bring you International News with stories that I hope will be interesting and informative.

I am always open to learning more about our great Turnbull history. So if you have an idea for an article, some interesting International news, photos or genealogy to share, please do not hesitate to contact me at paket@winshop.com.au.



Kenneth and his wife Patricia on one of their Grand Adventures that included the Grand Canyon in Arizona, USA.

## Reunion Celebrates 90th Birthday of Family Matriarch

Eleanor Holdeman was born in Dumas, Mississippi, in 1924. She became one of the first female licensed pilots in the early 1940s. It was Eleanor's plans to become a missionary pilot in Africa. Before leaving for the mission field, Eleanor visited her mother in Haiti, who was serving as a missionary nurse in the mountains. While there she met Wallace Turnbull.

The two fell in love and were married in Haiti where they continued to serve the mountain people for 57 years. Today, Eleanor helps direct a university scholarship program for young adults. She and Wallace reside in Auburn, Alabama near one of their sons and his family. They still return

to Haiti for extended periods to be with the people they served for so many years.

On August 8, 2014 members of the Wallace and Eleanor Turnbull family gathered in Auburn, Alabama for a family reunion to celebrate Eleanor's 90th birthday. Pictured are her children, their spouses, grandchildren and their spouses, and great-grandchildren. The day's activity included a picnic and fireworks.











#### UK - Loading bay to London



Rob Turnbull, had been colleague working on the loading bay at Debenhams store in Edinburgh and has

just graduated in an energy related degree. After eight years working for them, the furthest afield he had travelled for work was 40 minutes on a bus to the Newbridge warehouse. Though he says it was daunting to come so far south of the border to London as a born and he could have imagined.

### UK - Saints defender snapped up on a season-long loan



Teenage Saints defender Jordan Turnbull has joined Swindon Town on a season-long loan. So, the 19-year-old centre back will spend the 2014/15 campaign with the League

One club as part of his development. "We look forward to him returning in a year's time as a stronger, more experienced player," the Saints technical director Martin Hunter told the club. Pictured is Jordan Turnbull in action during the Saints' pre-season tour.

#### Singapore - Launch of a hedge fund startup in Singapore

More than half of the world's 7-billion-strong population sits directly above Australia on the map. Although we're uniquely positioned to tap into the Asian markets, most Australian startups head straight to the US to

pursue growth opportunities. Perhaps the US is more comfortable from a cultural perspective, but the potential in Asia shouldn't go unrecognised. Alex Turnbull, may be setting an example of how Australians can work with their Asian counterparts. He is planning to Ross Turnbull made 27 aplaunch a Singapore-based hedge fund, pearances for the Tykes durwhich will be "focused on Asia with the ing two separate loan spells flexibility to invest globally". Although it isn't being discussed much in Australia, there are plenty of opportunities leveraging promising markets.



by Kenneth Turnbull - Editor

#### Virgin Islands - The Church must speak out on issues



Reverend Dr. Melvin A. Turnbull challenged the Christian community to make their voices heard and stop making excuses when it comes to issues in the wider society. He was speaking during a com-

bred Scot, his nerves were short memorative service at the Sunday Morning Well Road Town, lived - and he found an energy following a remembrance march. To the Church, the people manager's role is even bigger than of God, if you have concerns about certain aspects of the celebrations, don't curse the darkness, light a candle."

#### USA - Weekend fun soldiers



Seven members from the U.S. Army Military District of Washington participated in their second annual Spartan race held at Wicomico Motorsports Park in Charlotte Hall, Maryland. The race was a 4-mile sprint, with more than 15 obstacles. "I thought this would be a fun event to do with the command," said Command Sgt. Maj. David O. Turnbull, MDW, team captain.

#### Australia – His aims . . Up At 200

Steve Turnbull is the leading trainer in New South Wales and it is no longer a case of 'if' he will train



200 winners this season in the state, it is just a case of 'when'. Turnbull came so close last year when he finished with 199.5 winners and admits he has targeted the double century this time around. "The only other goal I would like to achieve is to train a derby winner, I've won Western Districts Derbies in the past but I would like to win a state derby.

#### Virgin Islands - Library roof job



The creaking roof on the Turnbull Library is being replaced, and the library's hours will be limited during construction. After its installation, the roof was making loud popping sounds when it heated and cooled. The cost of the roof replacement will be covered by the original contractor. In addition to the roof repairs, NIMAL currently is working on the final phase of the library's construction, which Smalls said began last month and will include the installation of a photo voltaic system and perimeter fencing.

#### UK – Return of goalkeeper



around a decade ago and dlesbrough academy.

#### USA - A captivating career in the military services

John Turnbull's experience inside the U.S. Army did not happen by accident. His military background began in the late 1950s when he grew up on a military base, it continued in the 1960s when he participated in Army R.O.T.C.,



piloted UH-1 helicopters in Vietnam and eventually ended after the 29-year-old is back at 17 years with the Army National Guard. "The military is not a Oakwell on a permanent ba- job," Turnbull added. "It's more like a way of life." He was stato tap into hedge funds, and for hedge sis after signing a two-year tioned at the U.S. Army airfield in Soc Trang where he got his funds to make side pocket investments. deal. The 6ft 3in shot-stopper first taste of war in 1968 at the very start of the Tet Offensive, It's very interesting that Turnbull is represented England at vari- one of the largest military campaigns of the war by the Viet staying atop the hedge fund trend and ous youth levels at the Mid- Cong and North Vietnamese Army against South Vietnam, the U.S. and its allies.

### GOVERNOR JONATHAN TRUMBULL, SR. 304TH BIRTHDAY COMMEMORATION

Thank you for the article and photos, provided by Todd Gerlander, Commander, Connecticut Line CTSSAR, Past State President, Connecticut Sons of the American Revolution, Descendent of Jonathan Trumbull

The following are excerpts from:

The Scarlet Standard, Historical Series, Number Seven, January 1999, General Israel Putnam Branch #4 The Connecticut Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, Inc. (To view the entire article go to www. turnbullclan.com.)

The American Revolution was an extraordinary time in history and the sequence of events that unfolded at Lebanon, CT, was recognized by Gen. George Washington and Gov. Jonathan Trumbull as Providential and an absolutely essential key to American Independence.

Joseph Trumbull married Hannah Higley at Simsbury Joseph and Hannah had eight children, all born at Lebanon. Joseph became a successful merchant farmer at Lebanon, raising cattle and buying more from surrounding towns, then driving them to Boston on the hoof where he would receive English manufactured goods in exchange. The Trumbulls were active in the West Indies trade and owned several vessels. Joseph, Jr. was the principal owner of the recently built Brigantine "Lebanon" and on December 29, 1731 he sailed from New London destined for Barbados with a cargo of trade goods. The vessel was lost at sea and Joseph, Jr. was never heard from again.

Brother Jonathan Trumbull was born in 1710 and was early prepared for the ministry by his pastor, the Rev. Samuel Welles. Jonathan entered Harvard College at the age of thirteen with deep religious conviction and was a distinguished scholar, graduating in 1727, having mastered Greek, Latin and Hebrew. Jonathan returned to Harvard in 1730, taking for his M.A. thesis: there were no contradictions in Scripture which could not be solved by



Group photo in front of the Wadsworth Stable (where the birthday event was held inside this year because of the rain). The stable is next to the Gov. Jonathan Trumbull, Sr. house in Lebanon, CT.



Celebrating the 304th birthday of Gov. Jonathan Trumbull, Sr., October 11, 2014 in front of his house (built circa 1735-1740 by Captain Joseph Trumbull, Sr., Patriarch of the Trumbull family of Lebanon, CT), owned and maintained by CTDAR

reason. This armament would serve him well during the Revolutionary War, as the Redcoats, whom the colonists referred to as "Philistines," would fight the "New Israel" and learn the lesson of I Samuel 17:32-51, taught from a "City on a Hill"..." Licensed to preach in 1731 by the Windham Congregational Association, Jonathan Trumbull preached at Lebanon, Colchester, Scotland, Goshen, Hebron, and was called to the ministry at Colchester.

Jonathan Trumbull was also in partnership with his brother Joseph, whose tragic loss at sea necessitated attention to his father's business at Lebanon, where his father was the leading merchant. Jonathan married Faith Robinson (a descendant of the Pilgrims John and Pricilla Alden) in 1735 and had six children. By 1738, Jonathan had replaced his father as the leading merchant in Lebanon and for the next thirty years he remained an incredibly active businessman, trading with the West Indies and England using the vessels he had built or chartering others. After the death of his father in 1755, Jonathan moved his family into his father's impressive home, which was built in 1740 (now owned by the DAR). He entered into several partnerships with his two eldest sons and various other merchants. One of their many contracts was with the General Assembly to supply the troops of the Colony in his Majesty's service, with clothing and refreshments for one year for the sum of six thousand pounds.

Jonathan was as active in politics as he was in business. Elected as a Deputy to the General Assembly from Lebanon in 1733, he would become Speaker of the House in 1739 and was chosen Assistant and Member of the Council in 1740. In 1766, he was appointed Chief Judge of the Superior Court with Matthew Griswold, Eliphalet Dyer, and Roger Sherman, his associates on the Bench. In military affairs he was busy raising, provisioning and deploying the troops of the Colony. He rose from Lieutenant in the Troop of Horse of Windham County in 1735 to Colonel of the Twelfth Connecticut Regiment in 1753.

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A photo of his Store/War Office (built circa 1727), where Connecticut's Council of Safety met during the American Revolution, owned and maintained by CTSSAR

At the close of the French and Indian War, England tried to recover financially by enacting a chain of Parliamentary Measures to raise tax revenue from the colonies. While the taxes would be somewhat burdensome, Trumbull and others were aware of their conflict with Colonial Charters. His son Joseph, writing from London in December 1763, warned of the threats of impending taxation and loss of Charter Rights, with some Members of Parliament declaring that the Colonial Charters were given in high times by the King without consent of Parliament and are void. The passage of the Stamp Act on March 22, 1765 gave rise to the formation of the Sons of Liberty in Connecticut to prevent its implementation.

The Sons of Liberty would spark widespread opposition to the Stamp Act and also to Governor Fitch, who believed it was his duty to take the oath required by the Stamp Act to insure its enforcement. Three members of the Council were required to administer the Oath and four members agreed. Seven members of the Council refused, believing it would be a condemnation of them all as freemen. Colonel Trumbull exclaimed "It is in violation of your Provincial Oath". When the Oath was to be administered, Colonel Jonathan Trumbull started from his seat, seized his tricornered hat, avowing he would never witness a ceremony which so degraded liberty and the Colony. His ties to the Sons of Liberty would place him in office as Deputy Governor at the election in 1766, with William Pitkin becoming Governor. Trumbull would clearly define the Constitutional position of Connecticut in response to Gen. Gage demanding to quarter troops in the Colony, and he was at his finest when defining the nature of Writs of Assistance.

On the death of Gov. Pitkin in 1769, Trumbull became Governor and would support the plight of Boston, as hostilities with England increased. The Boston Tea Party of December 1773 would lead to the Boston Port Bill, closing the port on June 1, 1774. In Leba-

non, the bells tolled a solemn peal lasting all day. The door of the Town House was draped in black with the Port Bill affixed and read to the freeholders. A spirited resolution denounced it as an outrageous invasion of human liberty. The impending crisis would prompt Governor Trumbull to double the munitions of the Colony before its coast could be blockaded, and called on the Council "to procure three hundred barrels of gunpowder, fifteen tons of lead, and sixty thousand good flints". A Council of Safety would be appointed to assist Governor Trumbull at Lebanon and he would convert his store into the "War Office" to conduct preparations for resistance. On March 22, 1775 he issues a Proclamation from Lebanon, with the advice of the Council, calling for a Day of Public Fasting and Prayer. The day he chose, April 19, 1775, would begin the American Revolution at Lexington and Concord.

Having directed Connecticut's Revolutionary War effort to a successful conclusion, Governor Trumbull retired in May 1784 and died at home on August 17, 1785. In his letter of sympathy to the Governor's Son, Jonathan, Jr., General George Washington would write of the Governor: "A long & well spent life in the service of his Country justly entitled him to the first place among patriots."



The stable was originally in Hartford, CT., but later moved to Lebanon, CT. Both the Wadsworth Stable and Gov. Jonathan Trumbull, Sr. house are owned and maintained by the Connecticut DAR.

Most of the Trumbull family sites, except the old cemetery, are located on the historic Lebanon Green, which is over a mile long. In addition to Lebanon, there is also Redwood, which was the location of the original Trumbull homestead, later improved with a new house built by the Governor's Son, David Trumbull. There is the Governor Jonathan Trumbull, Jr. house, another son of the Governor, who was a Secretary to Washington and later also a Governor of Connecticut. And the Lebanon Congregational Church was designed by another son of the Governor, Col. John Trumbull, the artist of the American Revolution. A lot of history there.

Todd Gerlander, Commander, Connecticut Line CTSSAR Past State President, Connecticut Sons of the American Revolution

## Central Virginia Highland Games

by William Trimble, Tent Host

Due to the health concerns of Bill's father, Russ Trimble, we were unable to commit to hosting the Turnbull Clan Tent at the Central Virginia Celtic Festival and Highland Games in Richmond this year. We did not want the Games to go on without Turnbull Clan representation. We called upon our Turnbull kin to assist us in making sure we were well represented. Thankfully, Dad's health is stable now so Claudia and I were able to lend a hand in providing the materials and setting up the Tent. Graciously, John and Nicole Trimble, Brad Trimble, and Joe Trimble accepted the responsibility of co-hosting.

This is the third year the Turnbull Clan has been represented in these Virginia Games. This year as in years past, we found many people searching for "their people." Frank Martin came by to tell us of his great grandmother, Janet Turnbull, and left with a welcome packet of information and gifts from the Clan. The Pumphrey family, Andrew, Celene, and Nicholas were excited to find us and relate their Turnbull roots. Celene's great grandmother, Eleanor, was a Turnbull.

Incidentally, we found out later from Nicole Trimble's genealogy, that her stepfather, Bill Cloughly, has Turnbull roots and her mother Cindy also has Turnbull roots. Frank Martin related his connection to the Turnbull Clan through his g..grandmother Janet Turnbull who married a Ferguson in the 1600's. Bill's g..grandmother was Janet Turnbull who married a Ferguson in the 1600's. Is this just a coincidence or did they just meet their cousin. Stay turned!



She said "YES!" Bradley Trimble uses the backdrop of the Games to propose to Tammy DeWitt.



John and Nicole Trimble with Bill and Cindy Cloughly



John Trimble, Claudia Trimble, Jean Adams, Bill Trimble and Joe Trimble. Jane holds a chart of the Turnbull Septs.

We met several people who found out they were Septs of the Turnbull Clan by looking at our Sept board. These included Tremblay and Turnbeaugh. Jean Adams' grandmother was Bessie Turnbeaugh. Jean was especially excited and emotional when she found out that she belonged to the Turnbull Clan. She said "I knew I belonged somewhere, but didn't know where."

Marty Elliott stopped by to take our picture and tell us that he lived on Turnbull Ave. in Richmond. I had to remind him how the Elliotts took over much of the Turnbull lands in Scotland.

The Clan Tent was blessed with the marriage proposal of Bradley Trimble to Tammy DeWitt. (She said yes!) There wasn't a dry eye in the Tent and much celebration ensued. We will see what events come our way at next years Games.

# Orlando, Florida Highland Games

by Bob Turnbull, Tent Host

This years games in Orlando were another cold one hence wearing a sweater instead of a warm weather type polo, etc. We [my daughter Vanessa] were able to arrive on Friday to set up since I had the time off which was a nicer way to start off Saturday morning; not rushed.

It was another huge turnout well in the 20K range per day. I got to meet up with the "Scotts" great people and along with others that we've come to know over the years.

I also met up with Colin Walker, the lead drummer of the group Albannach, that tours around the US playing tribal music, one piper and lots of drums. His grandmother is a Turnbull from Glasgow. Also David Turnbull joined us again with his wife for the marching of the Tartans. He is a martial arts instructor in the Orlando area and had been in a few of the athletic games along with one of his students.

The biggest surprise was while watching the crowds go by a lady stopped by and looked over our table of Turnbull items.

We spoke about the Turnbull event that occurred at New Smyrna Beach Florida. She smiled and told me she was a Minorcan, wow!

How cool is that, so I asked her to sign our guest book and celebrating our heritage.





Whether you call it Armistice Day, Veterans Day or Remembrance Day, take time to thank those who served and are serving in your Armed Forces!

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Vanessa Turnbull, Bob Turnbull and David Turnbull getting ready for the Tartan Parade.

she did so before parting ways. It was another great year, celebrating our heritage.





Wishing a muckle celebration to all our Birthday members!