

AGM Success Includes BEST CLAN Award

by Bill and Claudia Trimble

The annual Central Virginia Celtic Festival & Highland Games were held Oct. 24th and 25th in Richmond, Virginia. This year the Turnbull Clan was chosen honored clan along with Clan Buchanan. Incidentally, Lloyd Gibson, President of Clan Buchanan from Arizona greeted us. Lloyd is friends of Marty and Lonnie Turnbull, the hosts of the Turnbull Clan tents in Arizona. Also in attendance, were Turnbull Clan President and Honorary Clan Chief Wally Turnbull, Bullseye Editor and Vice President of Communications Betty Turnbull, and TCA Secretary Chris Nelson and husband Tim.

The weather was perfect and so was the attendance. Many people stopped by to ask questions about the Turnbull Clan. Two attendees came to find out where or if they belonged to a Scottish clan. Beth Trumbower Jespersen and Linda Luciano found their connections via the Sept Board. Linda's granny, Hedwig Treibel, was born in Germany but always thought she had Scottish blood. This is the second year in a row where people found their connection to the Turnbull Clan through the various spellings and Septs of Turnbull. As Jean Adams exclaimed last year "I knew I belonged somewhere." They were all moved to tears of joy when they discovered they belonged.



A moving presentation of the Flowers of the Forest honored Russell E. Trimble and the father of Michael Ives.

The crowning event of the Games, to us, was being awarded Best Clan of the Games 2015 and silver plate presentation. We were then serenaded by a group of pipers led by Drum Major John Trimble to the tune of Amazing Grace.

Thank you all who helped us make this year's Central Virginia Celtic Festival & Highland Games so much fun and meaningful.

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Above right: The Clan gathers for a group photo. (left to right: Tammy Trimble, Brad Trimble, Josef Trimble, Michael Ives, Chris Nelson, Nicole Trimble, Claudia Trimble, Bill Trimble, Betty Turnbull, Wally Turnbull, Drum Major John Trimble, and Pipe Sgt. Daniel Ripley. Left: Bill and Claudia pay tribute to Bill's father, Russell, during the Flowers of the Forest ceremony. Below left, drum major John Trimble (far right) leads in the playing of Amazing Grace, honoring Russell Trimble. Above: Bill and Claudia proudly display the BEST CLAN award.

Kenneth Turnbull Named Clan Person of the Year



The AGM was held at a local restaurant and was well attended. All enjoyed good food and fellowship. The business meeting was conducted by TCA President Wally Turnbull. And, yes, we did share a (few) wee drams of Turnbull Scotch Whisky served in Turnbull Clan shot glasses presented to us by Wally and Betty.

Kenneth Turnbull, from Australia, was also able to attend via Skype. Kenneth shared with us his work that Norman Turnbull began on the book *Border Tales and Trails* (more details in an upcoming issue). Wally was also able to present him with the Clan Person of the Year Award for 2015.

Kenneth has served as Vice-President of International News and this year also became a co-Editor of the Bullseye. His contributions to TCA are numerous and he is always ready to lend a helping hand. He has spent many hours working with Norman Turnbull's history notes, helping to preserve and organize Norman's work.



Above left: Katherine Turnbull, Betty Turnbull and Elaine Turnbull. Katherine and her mom drove in from West Virginia to meet their extended family. Above middle: Bill Trimble with Linda Luciano and her husband. Above right: Bill Trimble with mascot, Wally, Steph Turnbull Wills, Michael Wills, and Robin Doll. Michael's mom, Steph, and aunt Robin joined him to cheer him on in the Heavy Athletics Competition. Everyone enjoyed meeting their extended TCA family.



Below: TCA Officers, Chris Nelson, Membership Secretary and Wally Turnbull, President, with Tent Host, Bill Trimble of Virginia.



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The AGM was well attended and enjoyed by all. President Wally Turnbull presided. Among the items discussed were ways to increase tent host participation in games and fund-raising ideas for tent host support. Another upcoming project is getting permission and funding to put a plaque on the *Turning of the Bull* monument in Hawick. Having recently returned from Scotland, Wally shared a wee dram of Turnbull whisky, that he brought back for the occasion, with everyone.



The TCA was also represented in the amateur Heavy Athletics Competition by Michael (Turnbull) Wills. Michael hails from Fairview Park, Ohio. The Turnbull Clan had great fun cheering him on and watching him break 5 of his personal best records! Way to go Michael! Thanks for coming.





TCA Election Year - Time to Vote



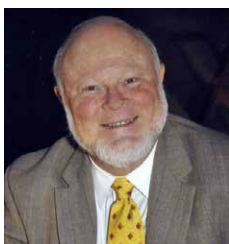
Nominations for officers of TCA are now open for the term beginning Jan. 1 2016 and ending Dec. 31, 2019. Officers for the Turnbull Clan Association serve three year terms. The president may serve two consecutive 3-year terms, and then must step down for at least one term. Other officers have no limits. Next month members will be asked to vote for President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Vice Presidents. Nominations received to date are below. If you would like to run for office or nominate someone else, please send name and office to editor@turnbullclan.com by December 10, 2015. Instructions for voting and final candidates will be listed in next month's issue of the Bullseye.

Any TCA member in good standing is permitted to vote. Good standing includes lifetime members and those members who have paid dues for 2015. If you would like to vote, but have not paid dues, please visit www.turnbullclan.com. Login and upgrade your membership to TCA Contributing Member. If you don't have a login, you may register and become a contributing member at that time.

Meet The Candidates

President: Wally Turnbull

Wally served as President of TCA for six years, ending in 2009. He was re-elected in 2012 for the 2013-2016 term. In addition, he holds the honor of being TCA Honorary Chief. Wally lives in Durham, NC.



Treasurer: Scott Turnbull

Scott is a newcomer to TCA. He was born in Jersey City, New Jersey. A veteran of the U.S. army, he has worked in Academic and Government IT for the last 18 years, specializing in Digital Archives, Scholarly Systems and Public Safety Information Systems. He is active in community volunteering, enjoys reading and is an avid computer gamer. Scott currently lives in Richmond, Virginia with his wife Beth Vann-Turnbull.



The treasurer is responsible for TCA funds, including banking and maintaining a record of income and expenses.

Secretary: Chris Nelson

Chris is from Tonawanda, New York and is an active tent host. Chris is the current secretary of TCA. She believes it is important to teach the younger generations about their Turnbull heritage. The secretary maintains membership records.



Vice President - Archivist: Mark Turnbull
Mark is from New Hampshire. He currently serves as Archivist. He was *Clan Member of the Year in 2004*.



The Archivist collects and catalogues items and information pertaining to Clan and TCA history.

Vice Presidents of Events: William (Bill) Trimble and Claudia Trimble



Bill and Claudia live in Mechanicsville, VA and are running together for the position of VP of Events. Bill and Claudia have been active tent hosts for a number of years.

Bill was born in Denver, CO, and moved to Wenatchee, WA at the age of 15. His work as an orderly, led him to pursue a career in medicine and he became a nurse anesthetist. Claudia was born in Maine. Claudia got her nursing degree in El Paso, TX, where she and Bill met working at the same hospital. Claudia says, *"We would like to help other Turnbills who are interested in hosting a Clan tent at Scottish Highland Games with our ideas and experience. Bill and I would like the Turnbull Clan known as a Clan who wants to reach out to our cousins, no matter how distant, to let them know we are their family and they belong."*

Vice President of Communications: Betty Turnbull



Betty has been editor of the Bullseye since 2005. She was awarded the *John F. Turnbull Lifetime Achievement Award* in 2012.

The Vice President of Communications communicates TCA news and reports to members.

Betty lives in Durham, NC and is married to Wally Turnbull.

Vice President of International News: Kenneth Turnbull

Kenneth comes to TCA from Queensland, Australia. He currently holds this position and also serves TCA as Bullseye Co-Editor.



Kenneth is the recipient of the *2015 Clan Person of the Year Award*.

The Vice President of International News informs members of Turnbull news and events from around the world.

UK - Hospice's pride at Palace



Willowbrook Hospice has been honoured with the prestigious Queen's Award for Vol-

untary Service, the highest award a voluntary group can receive in the UK. The award celebrates the contribution of the 560 volunteers who work tirelessly across all the services within the hospice. Ian Turnbull, a Willowbrook Volunteer at the hospice's day therapy centre, attended a garden party at Buckingham Palace earlier this year, where he met the Queen and other award winners.

Australia - Mumbannar Rally



Perfect off road racing conditions greeted the 18 starters at the Millicent Sand Buggy Clubs' Mumbannar Off Road Challenge, held just over 40kms North East of Mount Gambier on the Dartmoor/Heywood Road in Victoria. Garry Turnbull and Chris Proud topped the timing after 120km racing.

Scotland - Record try scorer star retires



Record try scorer Andrew Turnbull of Scotland Sevens' retired from professional rugby after more than a decade of entertaining crowds with his pace on the world stage. The

33-year-old from Edinburgh has ended a glittering career in the abbreviated game, having played in 57 World Series events, scoring 151 tries to place him eighth on the all-time try scorers' list. He also represented Scotland at three sevens World Cups in 2005, 2009 and 2013 and in the Commonwealth Games in 2006 and 2010. He said: "I have been extremely lucky to have pulled on a Scotland jersey and it has been a privilege to represent my country.



by Kenneth Turnbull - International News Editor

Virgin Islands - district to be beautified into a 'model'



Second District representative Melvin 'Mitch' Turnbull said his District will be 'saying no' to all forms of derelicts including boats and vehicles, with a view to becoming a model for tourism. He added the general beautification measure will include bush cutting and drain cleaning. "We are increasingly expecting Disney and other cruise ships to come and increase the populace of tourist and visitors coming to our shores. There is a thought that I lean on that says, if your customer is not pleased by the products you present, then eventually they will go away." He further stated that he intends to utilize the special skills of persons in his District to help with tree planting and grooming to aid the beautification process.

UK - Whitburn angler reels in his ultimate catch

Ever since he was big enough to hold a fishing rod, Mark Turnbull has dreamed of his ultimate catch. Now, the dad-of-two is celebrating after reeling in an 8ft (2.4 m) porbeagle shark – the biggest fish he's ever caught. The 54-year-old, from Whitburn, was fishing 18 nautical miles off the coast of Sunderland with his friend John Fothergill when he hooked the prize catch. Mark was then locked in a two-hour battle to reel in the 8ft-long beast, which he estimates weighed around 450 to 550lbs. He said: "I was exhausted, it was like pulling a car in.



Canada - A novel idea for the street people



What's a city to do about homelessness? In the 1990s, Calgary offered to pay travel expenses for unemployed people who wanted to return home. Many used their travel chits to flee to the West Coast, particularly Vancouver. The migration continues today. After hearing Jeff Turnbull describe his work with street people on CBC's Information Morning, maybe there's something that can be done. Dr. Turnbull has earned superstar status as director of Ottawa's Inner City Health clinic, a facility that provides services to more than 200 people who would otherwise do without and after hitting a wall.

Australia - Apprenticeship at 71

With the Gladstone Area Group Apprentices 30th birthday, an array of their best apprentices have come out of the



woodwork to share their experiences. They included the company's oldest apprentice, Michael Turnbull. He has let life take him in all directions after spending most of his life in rural areas as a seismologist. The 'Jack of all Trades' said he didn't like retirement, so in 2011, he recruited in the Group Apprentices Limited as an apprentice electrical fitter/mechanic.

USA - The legends of a Canyon



Turnbull Canyon is located in Southern California, creating the border between the towns of Wittier and City of Industry. It is a popular attraction for hikers and many fitness fanatics with the tough but manageable trails and beautiful scenery. Legend has it that the canyon is haunted and the location for magic rituals.

USA - Big 12 Runner of the Week

Brady Turnbull helped lead the Texas Longhorns to their second straight victory to begin the 2015 cross country season last month and finished third



at the Texas A&M Invitational. Brady Turnbull was honored as the Big 12 Conference Men's Runner of the Week for his performance. Brady crossed the finish line in third place. Turnbull and the Longhorns dominated the meet against a number of NCAA South Central Regional teams to gauge their standing heading further into the season.

Governor Jonathan Trumbull, Sr.

305th Birthday Commemoration

*by Todd Gerlander, Past State President/Color Guard Commander
Connecticut Sons of the American Revolution, Descendant of the
Trumble/Trumbull family of Lebanon, Connecticut*

On Saturday, October 10, 2015, the Connecticut Society of the Sons of the American Revolution and the Connecticut Daughters of the American Revolution commemorated the 305th Birthday of Connecticut's Revolutionary War Governor, Jonathan Trumbull, Sr. (1710-1785). The annual event took place at the Gov. Jonathan Trumbull, Sr. House/Wadsworth Stable in Lebanon, Connecticut. The event included a Revolutionary War flag presentation, 18th century artillery and cavalry demonstrations, and ceremonies for Gov. Trumbull's Birthday, and the 125th Anniversary of the Daughters of the American Revolution.



Above: Members of the Connecticut Line, Living History/Color Guard Unit of the Connecticut Sons of the American Revolution line up in front of the Gov. Jonathan Trumbull, Sr. House (owned and maintained by the CT DAR). (White building)

Right: Members of the Connecticut Line, Living History/Color Guard Unit of the Connecticut Sons of the American Revolution line up in front of the War Office. The War Office was the center of Connecticut's Revolutionary War effort, and it was here that Governor Jonathan Trumbull, Sr. met with the Connecticut Council of Safety during the American Revolution (1775-1783)



War Office Monument: My tricorn hat is shown with the cockade being a wee bit of Turnbull tartan in honor of Governor Trumbull's Birthday, and my Trumble/Trumble/Turnbull family ancestry.

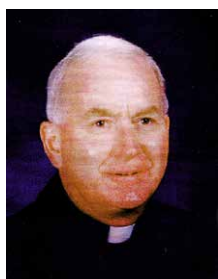


Left: Pictured is a reproduction that I painted of the pennant that flew aboard the audacious Connecticut Privateer, "Governor Trumbull" during the American Revolution. The pennant bore the Trumbull family motto, "Fortuna Favet Audaci" (fortune favors the bold).



War Office (owned and maintained by the CTSSAR). (Red building)

A Worthy Ancestor (Continued from last issue)



by Father William Turnbull

In the meantime, Martin died early in 1431 and was succeeded by Eugenius IV, a personally austere and pious man, but more emboldened to assert papal prerogative. When few delegates showed up for the early stages of the Council at Basle, Eugenius, suspicious of conciliar radicals, and disturbed that Hussite representatives had been invited without his knowledge, dissolved the Council and called for a new one to be presided over by himself at Bologna. This caused a storm of controversy throughout Western Europe. Secular rulers were "choosing sides" and among them, James I had decided to send the Scottish representatives to Basle, regardless. (Through the not un-self-serving intervention of the German emperor, Pope Eugenius was eventually persuaded to drop his plans for the Council at Bologna.)

William, who for reasons unknown seems to have been held in high favor at the papal court at this time, perhaps through his connections at Louvain, was sent in 1433 as a personal representative of Pope Eugenius to James I to try to persuade him not to send representatives to the Council at Basle. Over a period of several months James seems to have been persuaded, but by that time the Council at Bologna had been cancelled. Meanwhile, William was appointed by James as royal representative in Rome.

By 1435 however, he appears to have incurred the displeasure of James I. Perhaps This came as a result of James' opposition to money flowing from Scotland to Europe, and especially Italy, in part because of the number of men like William who were living and studying there; perhaps it came also as a result of James' opposition to papal reservation of church appointments; William was always a strong supporter of the papacy and its prerogatives, for theological reasons undoubtedly, but in part also because he was keenly interested in European unity (again, he was several centuries ahead of his time) and as a loyal churchman would have presumed the Church to be the means to that objective. At any rate, in 1435 William decided to continue his legal studies at Pavia in Italy, receiving a Doctorate in Canon Law in 1439. Here he was once again in an environment of humanist ideas and this excited him and must have brought him to the opinion that education was the way to national unity in Scotland; once again, he would have thought of "his" university to be founded to promote this "fresh approach to the past."

Meanwhile events at home were producing something akin to turmoil. In 1437 James I was murdered and in a minority reign the nobles were engaged in self-serving struggle for influence and power. William returned to Scotland in late 1439 and by 1441 had become Keeper of the Privy Seal and King's Secretary. Over the next three years he seems to have become a per-

son of consequence in the royal council and a promoter of harmony between the government and Rome (an anti-Pope, Felix V, had been elected by the Council of Basle meanwhile). William was probably instrumental in keeping the young James II loyal to the legitimate papacy and respectful of the Church's rights at home.

In 1447, Eugenius IV died and was succeeded by Nicholas V - in the judgement. of some, the first true "Renaissance Pope." He was a great patron of education and a great supporter of William Turnbull. Thus, in the same year, William was appointed Bishop of Glasgow. There was a delay in his actual consecration, but his good standing with James II safeguarded the church finances there until he took over in April 1448. [the nobility were prone to appropriate church finances during the vacancy of a bishop.

In 1450 at a Parliament at Edinburgh, William was instrumental in bishops being granted protection from interference in their dioceses during vacancies, and in the strengthening of authority of sheriffs over local barons. His extensive study of law was making him very useful to the King! This was also a period of relative "peace" in the country, and left William time for special projects, including the completion of the vestry of the Glasgow cathedral, where his arms were carved in the west wall. Both James II and Bishop Turnbull were now interested in establishing a university at Glasgow. James' interest was two-fold: first, he was concerned about the inadequacy of the baron courts in comparison with the ecclesiastical courts which drew the best-educated men; therefore he was seeking to provide the nobility with the education to act as competent legal officers. And, second, he apparently had a genuinely religious concern for the spread of the true Catholic faith; much of the success of Wyclif and Hus had been among the poorly-educated. William, on the other hand, probably had three - not unrelated - objectives: first, his life-long ambition had been to establish a university governed by collegial principles and dedicated to promoting the "scientific" approach to seeking truth exemplified in the philosophy of Albert the Great and Thomas Aquinas. Second, as a canon lawyer, clear thinker and reconciler, he was also eager to promote the teaching of law. And third, he seems to have had an interest in education as the vehicle to reform of the life of the clergy - a concern of any bishop in any age!

With such unanimity of purpose, it was no surprise when the Papal Bull establishing the University of Glasgow arrived in 1451. And, its initial financial security had been provided for in the previous year - a Jubilee Year. Nicholas V had granted Holy Year privileges (equal to visiting Rome) for visiting the Glasgow cathedral: a donation of 1/4 the expense of a trip to Rome was to be divided: 1/3 to be sent to Rome; 1/3 for church rebuilding in Scotland; and 1/3 for the "generality of Catholicism," i.e., for the soon-to-be university.

(to be continued...)

This is Fatlips Castle which is 10 miles from Hawk, Scotland. It was built in the 1400s and was used as a border tower and would light fires to warn that the English were coming. In the 1600s the roof caved in after the mountain the castle was on was lit on fire by the English. In 2013 the castle was renovated and the roof was built again for 2 million pounds. ~~£200,000~~ £1 pound.

Iain Turnbull
St. Louis, MO



Iain Turnbull, son of Keith and Thérèse Turnbull of St. Louis, MO, visited Fatlips in 2014. He made a replica of the castle for a school project.

La Breith Sona!



Wishing a muckle celebration to all our Birthday members!

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TotallyTurnbull.com exists as your one stop shopping site for personal items and family gifts. From Turnbull Tartan items made by the world famous Lochcarron Mills in the Borders to specialty gift items, this is the perfect place to find that perfect gift. A closeout sale is going on now to make room for new items. Once some of these items are gone, they won't be available again. A portion of the proceeds will go to help fund the Turnbull Clan Tent Host Fund. Support the clan and don't miss out on soon to be discontinued items. Any orders for \$20 or more placed before Dec. 15 will receive a free Turnbull Shopping Bag.



These and many other items, including Turnbull Tartan garments, available at totallyturnbull.com. Support the Clan and give the perfect gift.

Coming Next Issue:

A beautiful Borders wedding with congratulations to Gemma and James Lubbock.

Turnbull receives Lord Lyon Official Arms

A special three-page Bitty Bulls not to miss! A must for kids and adults.

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