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A Bonnie Borders Wedding



Gemma “Honorary Turnbull” Barnard endeared herself to the Turnbull Clan as the person who fought for (and won) the restoration of Fatlips Castle. On Sept. 19, 2015, Gemma became Mrs. James Lubbock in a beautiful fairy-tale wedding on a perfect sunny Borders Day.



Left: TCA’s patriarch Myra Turnbull poses with the happy bride and groom. Wedding officiate The Reverend Douglas Nicol talks with TCA President Wally Turnbull. Above: Rev. Nicol takes a moment to make it official with the witnessing of the wedding. (continued page 4)



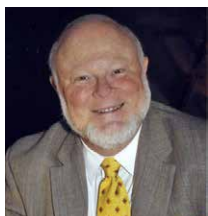
Mark Your Ballots - Time to Vote



This is an election year for TCA. The candidates and offices are below. (For more about the candidates see the last 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.

You may send an email to secretary@turnbullclan.com with your vote. State the name and office of the person you are voting for. If you prefer to use a paper ballot, you may use this page or send a note with the persons and offices you are voting for to: Chris Nelson, 29 Fremont St., Tonawanda, NY 14150-2305. Paper ballots must be received by Dec. 30.

You may write in a candidate if desired. Voting ends Dec. 30. Officers will be announced in the January 2016 Bullseye.



President

☐ Wally Turnbull

☐

Treasurer

☐ Scott Turnbull

☐



Membership Secretary

☐ Chris Nelson

☐



VP Communications

☐ Betty Turnbull

☐



VP International News

☐ Kenneth Turnbull

☐



VP Events

☐ Bill and Claudia Trimble

☐



VP Archivist

☐ Mark Turnbull

☐



Sharing and Caring

Please remember Mark Turnbull and family in your thoughts and prayers. Mark suffered back to back strokes and is currently in the hospital.

Please remember Janet Schwierking and her family in your thoughts and prayers. After a small heart attack and worsening alzheimers, Janet has moved to an Alzheimer facility. She is adjusting well.

Please also remember former TCA President John G. Turnbull and his family. John's wife, Sylvia, passed away after a long illness.

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TURNBULL AWARDED ARMS BY LORD LYON

Coats of Arms date back to the 12th Century. A jacket or tabard was worn by a medieval Knight over his armour, in order to identify himself. Opponents were able to identify each other in tournaments or battles.

Today, there is a misconception that any family or clan can have a Coat of Arms. Clan websites often indicate that a person has the right to use the family clan arms. This is not correct.

A personal Coat of Arms belongs to only one individual and only that person is allowed to use it. It is permitted for a member of the family to use the Crest. The Crest is derived from a part of the Coat of Arms and often has a clan or family motto. Anyone can use a clan crest, however, if the person using it is not entitled to the heraldic elements within, the crest badge must be surrounded by a strap and buckle.

In 2006, the Turnbull Clan Association (TCA) was granted an association Coat of Arms by the Lord Lyon. It is not common for an association without a current Chief with a Coat of Arms to receive such a recognition. The record of these arms are forever a part of the Public Register of All Arms and Bearings. The association may use the Coat of Arms for identification, but members are only allowed to use the Crest, as stated above. (See page 5.)

TCA President Wally Turnbull has been granted a personal Coat of Arms by the Lord Lyon and his Court. To petition for Arms, according to the Lyon King of Arms Act 1672, the person must be a "virtuous and well-deserving person." In general the petitioner would reside in Scotland. But in Wally's case, he had to provide his ancestry records showing his Scottish heritage. In addition, he provided proof of land title giving him the Barony of Bedrule title. The process was a long one, taking several years.

Wally Turnbull is only the eighth Turnbull individual to be granted a Coat of Arms since the beginning of the creation of the Public Register of All



The elements of Wally Turnbull's Arms include three bulls' heads on the shield, representing his three children. The cross is placed on the shield to show the family Christian heritage. The Helm is part of the Arms to signify the Barony title. The Turnbull Clan motto, Fortune Favors the Bold, is placed on top



of the crest. The single Bull's head and twisted torse make up the crest. The torse signifies that the design is an armorial crest and not to be used freely.

Arms and Bearings in Scotland in 1672.

His family may use the crest, but the Coat of Arms is to be used only by Wally. It is considered a signature and can be used on official documents as such without further signing. The Arms will be inherited by his first son and then his son's first son, and so on.

The Letters Patent for the Coat of Arms is written on vellum parchment. The text is written by a scrivener. A heraldic painter uses the text to illustrate the Arms in an image.



The Coat of Arms is written by a scrivener on vellum parchment.

Wedding

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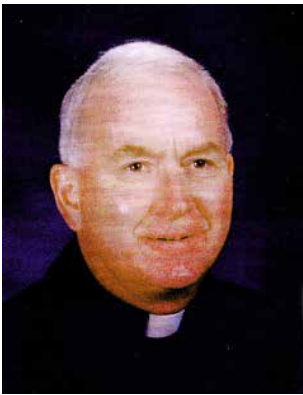


Sunflowers planted ahead adorned the reception.

Leaving in style, the bride and groom arrived at the groom's family estate for a brilliant reception. Even Marly, Gemma's beloved buddy dresses for the occasion. Left: James Lubbock presents Mrs. Gemma Lubbock. Above: It was quite a royal cake cutting. The bride and groom honeymooned in Zanzibar. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. James Lubbock from your worldwide extended Turnbull family!

A Worthy Ancestor (Part III and conclusion)

by Father William Turnbull



With the establishing of the University, the Bishop's life-goal was underway. He continued to be active as the King's Secretary at least through July of 1454. These were times of turmoil in the realm between the King and nobility, but the Bishop acted mostly as a reconciler. In mid-1454 he journeyed to Rome, most likely on a routine report to the Holy See (as bishops still must do regularly), and was at

a parliament in mid-July. After that, no more is heard of him. He almost certainly died of plague, but even when is a matter of dispute. However it was likely on 3 September 1454, and he was probably buried in the church at Cambuslang, not in his cathedral as would be expected. He may have left the city in an unsuccessful attempt to avoid the plague, which struck the country again that year.

What was Bishop Turnbull like? The scanty facts of his life don't say much explicitly, but leave room for an educated guess. He strode through a very tumultuous time in both Church and Kingdom, apparently with such a degree of serenity that he was well-recognized as a healer and reconciler.

He was not only respected (and used) by both James II (the young King relied heavily on his judgment and ability) and the Popes Eugenius IV and Nicholas V - both great men in their own right and supposedly inclined to see and make use of greatness in others. And the Bishop literally "spent" his life - wore out prematurely [even for these days, early 50's was still the "prime of life"] working tirelessly trying to bring about harmony in both Church and Kingdom, all the while pressing steadily on towards the fulfillment of his cherished personal goal: the university.

The bishop's generosity to the King in the dark early days, his ability to work with other men ... are factors in the rise of prosperity and the establishment of peace in James II's reign. . . His espousal of reform at the same time as his unswerving loyalty to the Holy See, his international standing, all are imponderables in the history not only of Scotland but of Europe. . . The answer to many of the problems of the next century and ours is to combine the old wisdom and the new learning, remembering that both come from "the fountain of all truth and grace." To gain that wisdom for his generation was the aim of Bishop Turnbull, for, as the preamble to the Glasgow [University] statutes goes on to say, "to know it is truth, to love it is virtue and to embrace it the highest goal of man."

*Much of the biographical information, and the opening and closing quotations, are from an article, "William Turnbull, Bishop of Glasgow" by Mr. John Durkan, in the Innes Review of June 1951.

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Bitty Bulls



Join a contest to win a fun prize! Read on page 3 for the details. Bitty Bull can't wait to see how creative you are!

Turnbull Clan Coat of Arms

Motto _____

The Crest _____

The Helm _____

The Mantle or Mantling _____

The Shield Elements _____



Clan Motto

"Fortune Favors the Bold"

Audaci is Latin for bold
Audacious means to be
confident and daring or bold

Favet is Latin for favors or
to be encouraging or
favorable to something or
someone

Fortuna is Latin for fortune
or good luck.

The border around the shield
and the crest is an unbroken
chain of celtic links to show
strength and unity.

In the 1300's William Roule of Bedrule saved King Robert the Bruce from a wild charging bull by jumping in front of the bull, turning it down to the ground, and breaking his neck. Robert was so thankful that he dubbed him William Turn-E-Bull and gave him the lands around Bedrule.

William had to be bold and confident in order to help the king. A good or fortunate outcome was the result of his courageous and bold action. **In what ways have you been bold or confident in order to achieve something?** Have you boldly spoken up for a classmate that was being picked on or treated unfairly? Have you noticed someone who needs help and quickly offered your assistance? Have you been quick to take responsibility for a mistake or wrong action and tried to set things right? A fortunate outcome could be a new friend, an encouraged older person, or a clear conscience. **Being a person of character with a good reputation is one of the most favorable outcomes, worth more than land or riches.**

The use of symbols to identify groups began as early as ancient Rome when the Roman soldiers had symbols on their shields to show what military unit they were a part of. During the Middle Ages knights and nobles had a coat of arms. That was a special symbol to represent their family. The first coat of arms was used to distinguish one knight from another on the battlefield. When a knight had on all of his armor it was hard to tell if he was a friend or an enemy so knights would paint symbols on their shields. Eventually they put the symbol on their banner and then the tunic or "coat" that was worn over their armor.

The first coat of arms were pretty simple, but over time there were so many different coat of arms that it was difficult to keep track of all of the families and the symbols that were used. It became the job of people called [heralds](#) to keep a list of the different coat of arms used for each family and to make sure that any new coat of arms were unique so families would not be mixed up. Strict laws were created to help with the creation of coat of arms. Each new coat of arms would need to be registered with the government. The coat of arms would then belong to the family of the knight and would be passed down to the eldest son.

Design your own personal Coat of Arms

Create your own personal coat of arms based on your hobbies, personality, character, and family. The list below has only a few of the different colors, animals, and symbols used on a coat of arms. Are there any that would represent you? Draw your own if these do not work for you.

Include the following on your Coat of Arms:

1. A symbol or picture to represent a favorite hobby or activity
2. A symbol or picture to represent an important place to you
3. An animal that represents you
4. A symbol that represents something you believe or love
5. Pick a personal motto that represents you and write it in the banner
(It could be a favorite verse, expression, poetic phrase, or family value)

Heraldic Colors

Yellow or Gold-Generosity
White/Silver-Peace & Sincerity
Black-Constancy & Grief
Blue-Loyalty & Truthfulness
Red-Military Fortitude
Green-Hope, Joy, & Loyalty
Purple- Sovereignty & Justice



Heraldic Animals

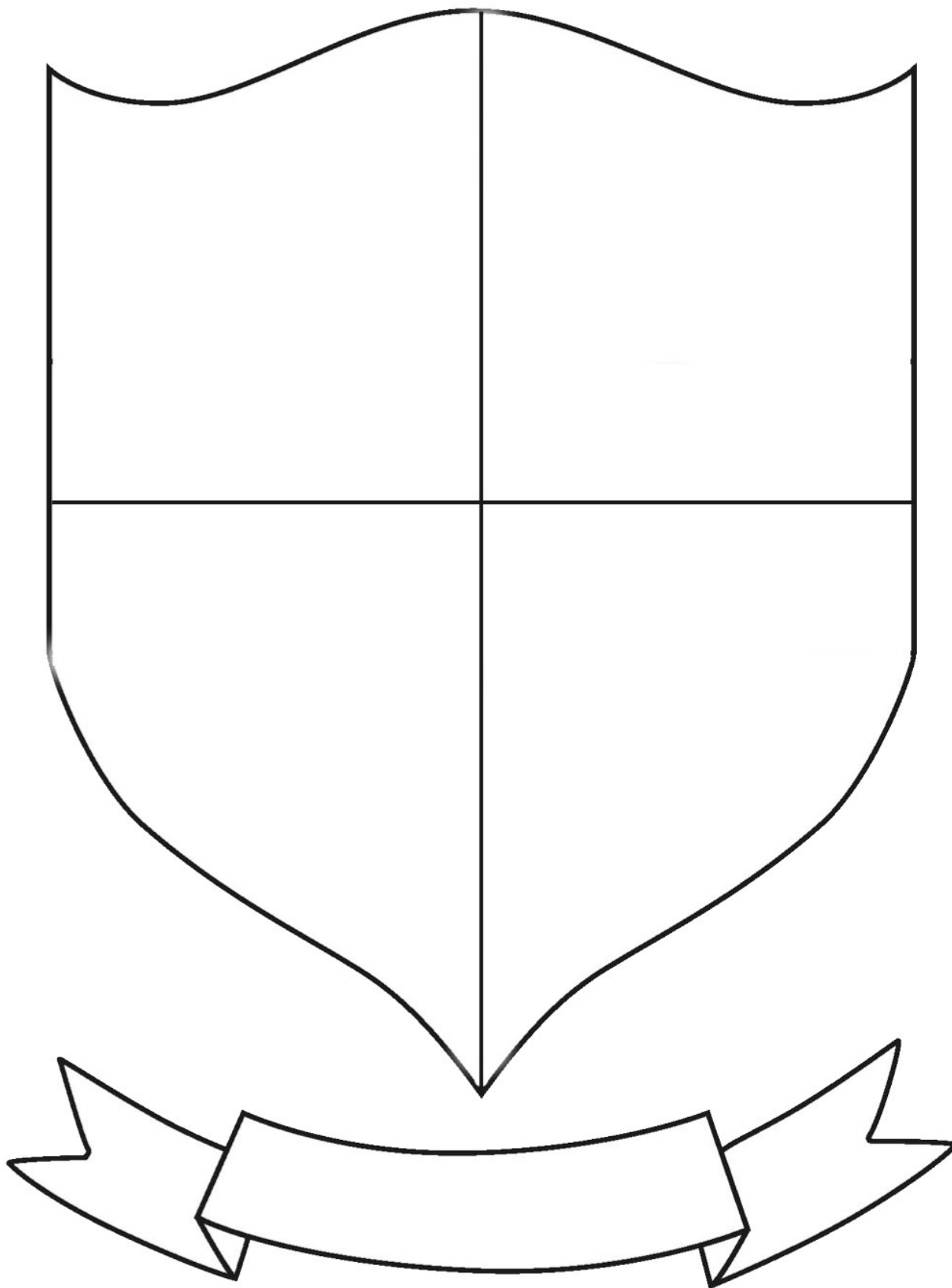
Bear-Protectiveness
Bee-Industriousness
Bull-Strength and Fortitude
Camel-Perseverance
Dog-Loyalty
Dragon-Defender of Treasure
Eagle-Leadership & Decisiveness
Falcon or Hawk-Eagerness
Fox-Cleverness
Griffin (part eagle/lion)-Bravery
Horse-Readiness to Service
Lion-Courage
Pelican-Generosity & Devotion
Raven-Constancy
Snake-Ambition
Elk or Deer-Peace & Harmony
Tiger-Fierceness & Valor
Unicorn-Extreme Courage
Wolf-Constant Vigilance

Heraldic Symbols

Axe-Dutiful
Crescent-Enlightenment
Crosses-Christian
Crown-Authority
Fire-Enthusiasm
Flaming Heart-Passion
Hand-Faith & Justice
Heart-Sincerity
Horns & Antlers-Fortitude
Lightning-Decisiveness
Moon-Serenity
Oyster Shell-Traveler
Ring-Fidelity
Scepter-Justice
Star-Nobility
Sun-Glory
Sword-Warlike



My Coat of Arms



Create a personal Coat of Arms and enter the contest! You may use the provided template or create one of your own out of other materials. Pictures can be sent to bittybulls@turnbullclan.com or drawing can be mailed to **5216 Tahoe Drive Durham, NC 27713-8676, USA c/o Bitty Bull**. Please include your name, postal address, and age. All entries will be published in next Bitty Bull issue. Winners for most creative coat of arms will receive a matted print of their arms and a Turnbull crest desk flag and will be announced in next issue of the Bullseye. **Deadline for entries is January 15, 2016.**



Stephen Trimble Hall and wife Jenny traveled from their home in Canada to Scotland. They made sure to include a stopover in the Borders to explore Stephen's Turnbull roots. Above left: They enjoy the view from recently restored



Fatlips Castle. Top right: A visit to the *Turning of the Bull* monument in Hawick was a must. Above: Stephen and Jenny were excited to meet Myra Turnbull (co-founder of TCA) at Turnbulls Deli in Hawick. Also present were Wally Turnbull, TCA President and wife Betty visiting from North Carolina.

La Breith Sona!



Wishing a muckle
celebration to
all our Birthday
members!

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