

WHAT'S NEXT FOR TCA?

It's a new year and as Turnbull Clan Association welcomes new officers, plans are taking shape for 2016 and beyond. What will be the focus of TCA? Are there new projects on the horizon? Where do you come in as a member?

Returning officers for another three years include Wally Turnbull, President, Chris Nelson, Secretary, Mark Turnbull, Archivist, Kenneth Turnbull, VP of International News, and Betty Turnbull, VP of Communications. Joining the Board this year are Scott Turnbull, Treasurer, and Bill and Claudia Trimble, VPs of Events.

President, Wally Turnbull, says he and the returning officers are very excited about welcoming newcomers to the Board of Directors. "It's always refreshing when you can see through the eyes of new members, see their visions, their hopes and then be able to work together to reach shared goals."

Priorities for the coming year were discussed at the AGM held in Richmond, VA last October. During a recent visit to Scotland, Wally Turnbull learned that many of the non-Turnbull visitors to the *Turning of the Bull Monument* in Hawick (dedicated in 2009) ask for more information about the beautiful statue. One of the priorities this year, will be to work with the Hawick Council and Heritage Hub, where the statue resides, to add a bronze descriptive plaque and to improve the aesthetics of the area surrounding the monument. TCA would also like to publish and make available for distribution in Hawick, a brochure explaining the monument.



Plaque

The Turning of the Bull Monument, Hawick. One of TCA's projects for 2016 will be to add a plaque, improve the monument's background and provide informational brochures for distribution.

Active TCA tent hosts Marty and Lonnie Turnbull are shown here at their first tent hosting in 2012. TCA hopes to recruit more tent hosts to expand game representation. Marty and Lonnie retired and have enjoyed hosting tents for TCA.



TCA members attending Highland Games often ask if there will be a Turnbull tent, or express their disappointment when there is no Turnbull tent. A second goal in 2016 is to increase our presence through game representation and regional activities. This will be done by adding new tent hosts, asking current tent hosts to expand their games, and looking for individuals to sponsor local or regional events. These events might be a Burns Night celebration, a Tartan Day activity, or just a gathering to get to know other TCA members in the area.

New VPs of Events, Bill and Claudia Trimble, themselves longtime tent hosts, will be reaching out to current tent hosts and soliciting new hosts. They are working on designing a kit of materials to be shared with new tent hosts, as a boost to help them get going. Look for more on this in future issues.

The third, and equally important goal as the first two, is to increase the involvement of the younger generation of Turnbulls. Wally says that TCA has always been a "top down" organization. He says this isn't intentional and is nothing that the organization has set out to do. He would like to change that and will be asking for ways of involvement to do that. With over 2400 registered members and Facebook followers through the Turnbull Clan Association page (www.facebook.com/TurnbullClan) and the Turnbull Group page (www.facebook.com/groups/2214563717), Wally says the people are there, it's just a matter of bringing it all together.

Some of these projects will require funding, such as the plaque for the monument in Hawick and tent host kits. Because TCA membership registration is free, you'll be hearing about ways you can help. The future of TCA looks bright with exiting projects ahead.

Meet the Veeps

Bill and Claudia Trimble - Vice Presidents of Events

William (Bill) Trimble

I was born in Denver Colorado and moved to Wenatchee, Washington with my family at the age of 15. I became interested in pursuing a career in the medical field. I worked in the local hospital as an orderly which ultimately led me to my career as a nurse anesthetist. I received my nursing degree from Washington State University and my anesthesia education in the U.S. Army. I met my wife Claudia in El Paso Texas while moonlighting at a local civilian hospital. We have had the privilege of living throughout the country to be close to family.

My great aunt Bessie Trimble Davis was very interested in the Trimble family history. The family was living in Southern Illinois at the time, but she found out that the Trimble ancestors had originally settled in Virginia in 1740. They were part of the great Scots/Irish immigration. She made a trip to Virginia in 1932 to meet with cousins and put the history together. Bess wrote a journal of her trip and the people she met. Years after her death, my uncle gave me a copy of her journal and other history Aunt Bess had accumulated. I found it fascinating, and thus began my own interest in the Trimble/Turnbull family history. I discovered in my own research, that two of the five original brothers who came to America often used Turnbull as their last name. While living in Maine, a nurse at the hospital I was working told me about the Scottish Highland Games in New Hampshire. After attending the Games in 1995 and meeting Mark Turnbull, we were hooked. We were welcomed as long lost family. I learned to play the bagpipes and have made two trips to Scotland. The goal Claudia and I have as Turnbull Clan tent hosts is to help other Turnbolls (and Septs) to find their family. We are all ultimately connected either by DNA or by God's grace. We all want to know we belong somewhere.

Claudia Howland Trimble

I was born in the state of Maine as Claudia Jean Howland, a direct descendent of the Pilgrim, John Howland who came to the new world on the Mayflower. My mother was a Wallace and my grandfather's name was William W. Wallace.

I received my nursing education in El Paso, Texas and met



Bill on the obstetrics floor at a local hospital. We moved to Washington State for a few years, but left to return to Maine to help care for an ailing sister. We have also had the privilege to live throughout the country to be close to our children and family. While in Maine, we both became interested in our Scottish roots. We have been able to attend Games in New Hampshire, Florida, Arizona, and Virginia. We have also hosted the Turnbull Clan tents in Arizona and Virginia. Hosting the tents is like an extension of my nursing profession. Instead of ministering to people's physical needs, I can help others with a sense of belonging. That is very healing to someone who is searching for their place. We would like to help other Turnbolls who are interested in hosting a Clan tent at Scottish Highland Games with our ideas and experience.

Together, Bill and Claudia would like the Turnbull Clan to be 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. Their job will include reaching out to current tent hosts and looking for new tent hosts to expand Highland game and festival reach. They will be developing a TCA tent host start-up kit for new hosts. They are also hoping to encourage regional events and get together.

Bill and Claudia are often seen at games with their faithful mascot Wally (right).

Look for more from Bill and Claudia in future Bullseyes.

(If you are interested in becoming a tent host, please email editor@turnbullclan.com and let us know where you are from and if you have specific games in mind. If you are currently a tent host, please send the games you represent to editor@turnbullclan.com. Also, let us know if you are willing to add new venues to your schedule.)



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Turnbull Family Return to their Grass Roots

By John Turnbull

The Turnbolls of Montgomery, Wales, now of Shrewsbury, England, have always been fascinated by history including their 'distinguished' surname. I was told by my long suffering mum the concern of the Turnbull aunties that I was to be christened John, not considered a particularly Turnbull name. It came as a relief when they discovered many ancestors called John including John 'out wi the sword' Turnbull.



Alex and Jamie at Jedburgh

So on reaching 50 it seemed time to visit the birthplace of the Clan with sons Jamie & Alex (very Scottish) and partner Sue.

I'd been to the Scottish Borders as a child and had my photo taken under the Turnbull crest at the magnificent Jedburgh Abbey. It seemed appropriate that

my own sons took my place and hopefully future generations will continue the tradition.

What I hadn't visited at the time were the four recognised Turnbull castles (actually one castle and three fortified tower houses) as identified by. <http://www.castleuk.net> First stop and after a steep climb was the beautiful Fatlips Tower supposedly named from Turnbolls insisting on kissing visitors before crossing the threshold! It has a magnificent setting on the Minto Crag and a credit to all those who helped in its restoration.

Next was Barnhills Tower (formally called 'Barne helles' and 'Barnehyll') which we almost gave up on. Despite no knowledge from the locals and driving past the area at least three times, it was in the end a calculated guess based on map coordinates that a clump of woodland must be hiding its remains. Even then it was by climbing through brambles via a deep gully that I was able to reach it. Tourists often complain that castles often involve a steep climb but these places were designed to discourage unwanted visitors and Barnhills was no exception! The tower is now a one storey ruin and due

to the increased ravages of nature I feel that it will in time simply become a pile of stones. Emerging back onto the path Fatlips Tower stood proudly on the crag above and in ancient times Turnbull families must have seen the smoke from each other's hearths.

The following day it was off to the village of Bedrule, basically a line of houses to the kirk where many Turnbull ancestors are buried. After an unsuccessful search of weathered headstones it was across a field to the now levelled stones of Bedrule Castle. This was no simple square tower house but a castle boasting a gatehouse and three round towers. Probably founded by the Comyn family, Edward



Barnhill Castle surrounded by undergrowth

I (longshanks himself), is said to have visited the castle during the wars of independence. What remains is now covered by nettles and undergrowth and it was only by feel of foot could lines of walls be distinguished. I'll need to go back in the winter when most of the foliage will have died away and its scale and splendour revealed!

Finally to Fulton Tower standing alone in a field. If it wasn't for the thickness of its walls it could easily be mistaken for a dilapidated farm building. Slowly crumbling inwards, it's only a question whether Fulton or Barnhills collapses first. What brings Fulton to life is the story of

Kers of Fernihirst abducting a Turnbull who, despite seizing his sword, was withheld by the "tears and entreaties of his wife, who clung to him and prevented further resistance." What happen to him the author didn't know. The Statistical Account of Roxburghshire by the Ministers of the Respective Parishes.

These fortified towers are among many in the border country. They were designed to protect from other reviver clans (both English and Scottish) who robbed and murdered across the debatable

lands. They were never built to withstand the invasion by England's Earl of Hertford during the 'rough wooing' of 1545 and many were ruined at this time. Yet even now you can imagine Turnbull families all within a short ride of one another joining up with a Scot's army to invade England or raid the old enemies of Kerrs and Armstrongs!

My partner Sue has agreed to become a Turnbull in marriage on the 5th March 2016!

(Congrats from your TCA family! We want pictures!)



Jamie, me, and Alex at Fulton Tower, and no, the Border Reivers didn't wear horned helmets.

New Zealand - Womens Coach



Gareth Turnbull has been appointed New Zealand Under-17 women's football coach

ahead of the team's preparations for the 2016 age-group World Cup in Jordan. Turnbull takes over the role having led Mainland Pride to the ASB Women's League title for the past two seasons. He is also a coach in New Zealand Football's national talent centre programme. Turnbull, 32, says working in the international arena has been an aspiration of his since he began his involvement with women's soccer. "I'm excited and humbled to be making the step up to the Women's U-17 side," said Turnbull. "It's been an aspiration of mine since I began working in the women's space several years ago and I'm looking forward to the challenge of the international arena."

UK - Additional Food Heroes



Cheese specialist Charlie Turnbull, and wine expert Olly Smith will each make appearances of ships across the fleet in 2016 on selected Food Heroes sailings. Charlie Turnbull will be aboard Britannia for Mediterranean cruises departing in June through to October.

Mexico - Abstract painter to exhibit in East Asia



The University Museum and Art Gallery (UMAG), in collaboration with the Mexican painter Roberto Turnbull and with the support of the Consul General of Mexico in Hong Kong and Macao, presented "Mexican Big Bang: Paintings by Roberto Turnbull" exhibition last September to November. A selection of 26 remarkable artworks were introduced by the work of the famous abstract painter for the first time in East Asia, displaying the painterly and architectural styles and themes that influenced his works. Painter, sculptor and engraver Roberto Turnbull was born in Mexico in 1959, and his work has been internationally shown and collected since 1983.



by Kenneth Turnbull - International News Editor

UK - Birthday celebrated in Day Centre she founded

The remarkable achievements of a 90-year-old woman were celebrated last week in the day centre she was instrumental in founding. Joy Turnbull, who entered her tenth decade last Thursday, was surprised at the



Garden Room in Jubilee Gardens with speeches, cake and champagne by a crowd paying tribute to her lasting legacy to the town. "Most people would need 150 years to achieve what you have done in a lifetime," Saffron Walden Mencap's Daphne Cornell told Joy, who established the branch of the learning and disability charity in 1963.

Northern Ireland - Craven's own retires



Familiar, friendly Craven veterinarian Tony Turnbull is bidding a fond farewell to furry and feathered ones along with their owners as he heads into retirement after 35 years with Kingsway Veterinary Group. Originally from the North East, Tony first came to Skipton in August 1980 after qualifying from the University of Edinburgh and a short spell working in Cheshire. He recalls that in those days the clientele was mainly farmers and fondly remembers the gridlock at lambing time with queues of Land Rovers backing up along the street as he and his partners administered to ailing ewes. Much of his time was spent travelling out to remote farms as far away as Langstrothdale at all hours of the day and night.

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Australia - ISAF Sailing World Cup Melbourn

ISAF Sailing World Cup – Melbourne event director Mark Turnbull OAM says "The warm-up regatta contained all the components athletes needed for a true test event prior to major competition and offered our international sailors some valuable time getting to know Port Phillip's sea-state and typical summertime breezes before battling it out in the Sailing World Cup to qualify for this year's Rio Games. Countries including the Cook Islands and Papua New Guinea aren't subject to the capped quota, as the world governing body ISAF guarantees them at least one place. "Additionally it gave some of the younger and local sailors who may be competing in other classes a chance to size up against some of the best sailors in the world."



USA - Old Havana Sandwich Shop



Durham, NC's Old Havana Sandwich Shop owners are offering more special events. A new monthly dinner series on the third Friday of each month called "The Lost Dishes of Cuba." Co-owner Elizabeth Turnbull said the dinners will "tie together all aspects of our mission at Old Havana by allowing us to use locally grown ingredients to feature the global flavors that have historically infused Cuban cooking." Chef Roberto Copa Matos (co-owner) will teach a hands-on cooking class and sit-down dinner at his and Turnbull's Hillsborough farm.

Canada - The Order of Canada

Toronto Star reporter Barb Turnbull was posthumously appointed to the Order of Canada during a ceremony at



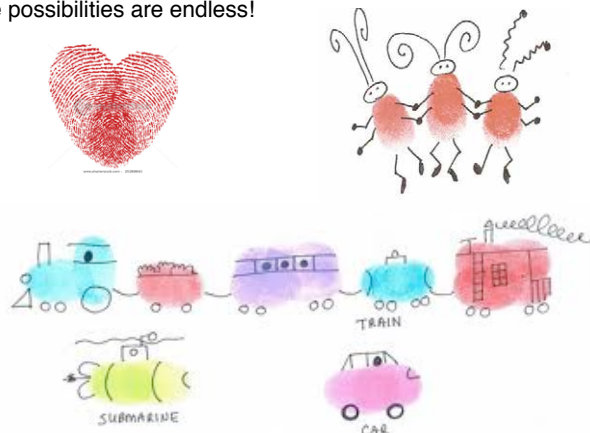
Rideau Hall. Turnbull, a long-time journalist and advocate for spinal cord research and accessibility for the disabled, was left quadriplegic at the age of 18 after being shot in the neck during a convenience store robbery in 1983. Turnbull died in May from complications due to pneumonia at age 50. She received her appointment of distinction just two days before her death. The Order of Canada, created in 1967, recognizes outstanding achievement, dedication to the community and service to the nation.

Fingerprint Art

This quick and easy craft is "elementary, my dear Watson!"

Using craft ink or colored markers, stamp your fingerprints on paper. Draw details on each print with a black pen. Be creative! Try making flowers, bugs, animals, and people out of single prints or put several fingerprints together to create butterflies, caterpillars, grass, and fish.

The possibilities are endless!



Do you have art work that you would like to share? Send in a copy or photo of your artwork with name, age, and hometown to bittybulls@turnbullclan.com and we will publish it in the next issue.

Did You Know?



No fingerprints are the same. Even identical twins do not have the same fingerprints. Police look for fingerprints at a crime scene in order to help them solve the mystery. Have you ever had your fingerprints taken? If you ever wander off or get lost, your parents can give a record of your fingerprints to the police to help them recognize and safely return you to your family.

Most fingerprints look like either a whorl, a loop, or an arch. Look at your fingerprints. Which one are you? What do your parents' prints look like?



Practice your detective skills:

1. Trace your hand on a piece of paper.
2. Label each finger as thumb, index, middle, ring, and pinkie.
3. Rub a pencil on another piece of paper until you have a black mark.
4. Rub your index finger in the pencil mark.
5. Press a piece of transparent tape over that finger and pull off.
6. Put the tape with the fingerprint onto the traced index finger.
7. Repeat with your other fingers.
8. Now you can study what type of fingerprints you have!

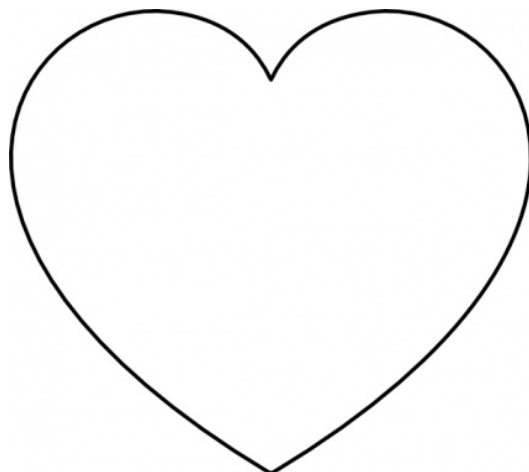


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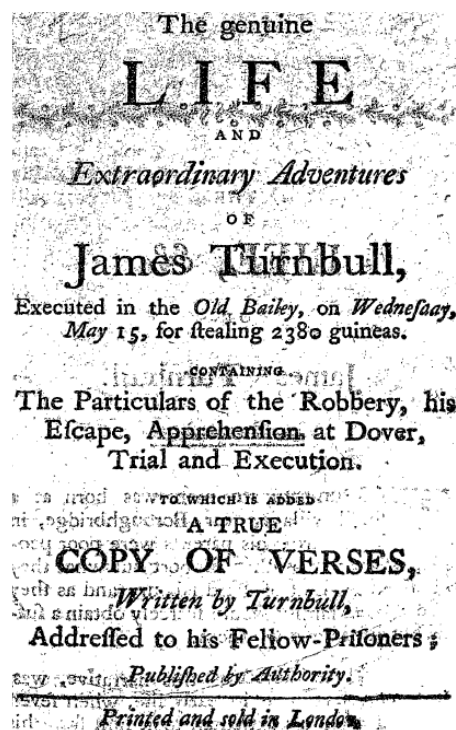
Turnbull Genealogy Log... *Could you be related?*

By Fiona Turnbull

Are you related to James Turnbull, mastermind of the 1798 robbery of the English Mint? Turnbull came from the village of Borough Bridge, Yorkshire, the son of poor labourers and one of many children in the family. At the age of seven he was sponsored by a local gentleman to attend the local free school. After five years of education he became foot-boy to the gentleman, a position he held for five years. When a strolling band of players came to town, he left the security of his position to travel the country with them for five more years. Unfortunately for Turnbull, they robbed a hen roost and he was given the choice of prison or going with the Army recruiting party that was conveniently in town.

He served in the 3rd Regiment of Guards as a private soldier, first in London and then in Europe fighting the French, where he was twice wounded. During the Army retreat into Holland, Turnbull committed "various depredations" for which he was court-martialled and flogged. Upon his return to London he lived with an unnamed woman in Smithfield by whom he fathered a child. By the beginning of 1798 he was stationed at the National Mint and learned to work the die in coinage of guineas. He also fell in with a shady character named Drake and they hatched the plan to rob the Mint.

On the morning of the 20th of December he went for breakfast with the other workers and then slipped away to return to the workroom with a companion named Dalton. Dalton kept watch at the door while Turnbull held a pistol to the head of the apprentice who had been left to watch the coins. When another worker returned early, Turnbull locked the two of them in a small closet. Turnbull and Dalton escaped with four bags containing



Did You Know... ?



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... that there is a Mount Turnbull in Antarctica? Mount Turnbull is 1,980 meters high and is located in the northwest portion of the Prince Charles Mountains. It was named by the Antarctic Names Committee of Australia for W. L. Turnbull, a radio supervisor stationed at Mawson Station in 1965.

Mawson Research Station provides a base for scientific research programs including an underground cosmic ray detector and for the breeding ground for emperor and Adélie penguins.

(We are looking for more information about W. L. Turnbull. If you know more about him or Mt. Turnbull, please email editor@turnbullclan.com)

two thousand, three hundred and eighty guineas worth about £250,000 in today's money.

Turnbull's friend Drake hid him in his house and helped him plan his escape to Dover where he hoped to pay for the short boat ride across the channel to France. Unfortunately a wanted poster had been widely circulated and Turnbull was captured on 5th January 1799 as he tried to escape. He was searched and 1100 guineas were found sewn into a belt. He was brought to London and stood trial but somewhat cheerfully admitted his crime. While awaiting his death sentence in Newgate Prison he made several escape attempts and managed to pen a poem for his fellow prisoners.

*"You that doth this letter find,
To make it public is my mind.
God bless you here... all friends behind.
I am going for that I hope to find;
And if I succeed, you may be sure,
In England neer to see me more."*

He was tried and convicted on 25th February and hanged at Newgate Prison on 15th May 1799. The poem and details of his sad life were published in a pamphlet in 1799 meant to be a lesson to all contemplating such a crime. The original pamphlet has been digitized from the British Library collection and can be found today in many libraries throughout the world as part of ProQuest's Burney Collection of 17th and 18th Century newspapers and pamphlets.

James Turnbull of Borough Bridge, Yorkshire was probably born around 1775 in a large family. He fathered a child born in Smithfield in London probably around 1797. If you have ancestors from Borough Bridge, you might well be related to the man who robbed the Mint!

Out and About



TCA VP for International News and Bullseye Co-Editor Kenneth Turnbull and his wife Patricia are currently touring the USA having come from their homeland of Australia. They were able to pay a visit to the Dr. Andrew Turnbull exhibit at the New Smyrna Museum in New Smyrna, FL. before heading across the US to Los Angeles, CA.

They were also able to travel to Durham, NC, where they visited Wally and Betty Turnbull (President of TCA and Bullseye Co-Editor).

(A book about Dr. Andrew Turnbull and his early settlement is available at <http://amzn.com/1611530261>)



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The Backstory

For all you Downton Abbey fans, you might find it fun to know the backstory to the character, Lady Grey.

Isobel Crawley was well-educated for someone of her social standing and breeding, and trained as a nurse. She comes from an upper-middle-class background and values family, charity, and education. She was a daughter, sister, and wife of doctors, as her father, Sir John Turnbull, her brother, Dr Edward Turnbull, and her late husband Reginald Crawley all practised medicine. Further contributing to her medical knowledge, she herself studied to be a nurse during the Boer War. Isobel and her only son Matthew both lived in a house in Manchester, England, where Matthew worked as a solicitor. At some point before 1885, Isobel, "sick with love", married Reginald and in 1885 gave birth to the couple's only son and heir, Matthew. http://downtonabbey.wikia.com/wiki/Isobel_Grey



Out of This World Performance

US Astronaut Kjell Lindgren became the first astronaut to play the pipes in space. Dr. Lindgren, a US Air Force Academy graduate (1995) is a flight engineer and mission specialist with Expedition 45. He's been on board the International Space Station since July, 2015. He is also a musician and master of the Pipes.

Dr. Lindgren played Amazing Grace on bagpipes he had specially made for the International Space Station. He performed the song as a tribute to his friend and colleague, Victor Hurst.

"The thing about bagpipes is that they're very difficult to play at high altitude because the air is a bit thinner. They're quite hard to blow so he's done well," says Kenny Macleod, McCallum Bagpipes (makers of the special pipes for space.)

To watch and hear Dr. Lindgren (left) playing the pipes go to: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=poKH3X7_Awk