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# TCA AT THE 2019 HAWICK REIVERS FESTIVAL

By Fiona Turnbull

The weekend of the 22nd to 24th March saw the celebration of the 16th Hawick Reivers Festival and Turnbulls were able to join in again.

This was the second year that clans were encouraged to provide a stall during Saturday's market and it proved another big success, as more than twice as many visitors learned about their family history.

The display was hosted again by Bill and Paulette Turnbull from Germany and Fiona Turnbull of Oban, Scotland who was joined by her son Chris Turnbull-Grimes visiting from Ethiopia. Guests included the five Turnbull brothers from Newcastle, Jim, Patrick, Robert, Shaun and Tim and Ann Budge who had visited last year as well.



Five Turbull brothers, Jim, Patrick, Robert, Shaun and Tim





Fiona Turnbull and son Chris - Bill and Paulette Turnbull



The festivities were kicked off with a Reiver procession up the high street and then on to their encampment which included lots of interactive events. We were enthralled with the detailed description of the various weapons and how they were used. More action on Page 3

Thousands, including families, school children, groups and even man's best friend have visited the Turning of the Bull monument in Hawick, Scotland. You can be a part of celebrating the 10th Anniversary. If you



live close enough to come or are in the area, join the AGM 2019 Tour Group for photos and fun on June 7th at 4:30 PM in the courtyard of the Hawick Heritage Hub. (See Page 2 for more details.)

Can't come in person. Send us a photo of you or a family member visiting the monument. Include date, names, and where you're from .We're doing a special issue the Bullesye to include you in the celebrations. Send photos to editor@turnbullclan.com.

Help us make this 10th anniversary something to remember!

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# Authors Corner



#### Gemma Lubbock

Gemma Lubbock (nee Bernard) has authored several books, including 'Unfinished Business', 'Dancing in the Mists of Time' and 'Highcroft Castle'. She has also written children's stories; 'The Day the Jellyfish Came Raining Down' and more.



Gemma grew up in the Scottish Borders, spending much of her youth climbing up to the nearby Fatlips Castle of Turnbull heritage that she loved so much. She adds, "I live in a beautiful rural area in the Scottish Borders with my husband. Whilst my first book focussed on the Scottish Borders."

ders, I always wanted to base a book and story around Hawick."

Gemma combined her Ancient History background with a writing career while working with Historic Scotland. This enabled her to visit ancient castles and abbeys across the region.



"I tend to paint and draw over the winter months when I am keeping cosy in the house next to a sleeping baby, as summer is quite busy with other things. My work has a mostly Scottish theme, inspired by living in the beautiful Rulewater valley in the Scottish Borders" she adds.

"I love to spend time in the evenings drawing and painting while my young baby son George is sleeping next to me. He is truly an inspiration to me and a major driving force in everything I do. Living in the Scottish Borders, I am surrounded by beautiful, breathtaking landscapes and love the myths and legends within them."

Old Fatlips Castle had deteriorated into disrepair, so to preserve its rich history, Gemma successfully campaigned to restore the ailing building. She was adopted as an honorary member into Turnbull Clan and awarded the Clan Member of the year in 2014.

See her books: http://gemmalubbock.weebly.com/books.html. For more information: http://gemmalubbock.weebly.com

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## MEET THE TCA MEMBER



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#### On the Red Carpet for the CDG Awards. The style stars put their best fashion forward.

The 21st Annual DG (Costume Designers Guild) Awards were held at the Beverly Hilton, Los Angeles in mid-February. Bonnie Turnbull Nipar and Editor-in-Chief of *CDG Magazine*, Anna Wycfoff woke up to find themselves featured in the top best-dressed of the event by *People Magazine*.

Bonnie was also honoured by the Costume Designers Guild with a Legacy Award last June.

*Editor's Note:* Bonnie was named as the Associate Editor back in the Fall (Autumn) in 2010. She also accompanied Wally and Betty Turnbull on their first tour of Scotland in 2007.

### **CALLING ALL BORDERS TURNBULLS**

Clan Turnbull will gather to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the *Turning of the Bull* monument located in the courtyard of the Hawick Heritage Hub, Hawick. A group of 30 from Canada, Mexico, and the United States will join Turnbulls from the UK and mainland Europe at **4:30 PM on 7 June** at the monument. A bronze plaque with words from the historian Hector Boece will be installed to commemorate this event.

In addition, a banquet will be held at the Mansfield House Hotel, Hawick on **11 June 7:00 PM**. Join us for an evening of musical entertainment, awards, and a delicious 3 course meal. A group of 30 from Canada, Mexico, and the United States will join Turnbulls from the UK and mainland Europe.

The Turnbull Clan Association would like to extend an invitation to all Turnbulls and their guests to join us at both events. The dedication of the plaque and 10th anniversary recognition is free to all.

Tickets for the dinner on 11 June may be purchased at our cost online at http://www.turnbullclan.com/AGM. Come make new friends and share our rich heritage together. Who knows you might actually meet your cousin!

# 'FINDING YOUR ANCESTORS' AT THE FESTIVAL



On Saturday afternoon, TCA member Fiona Turnbull, delivered the annual Hawick Archaeological Society Lecture that had been prepared in partnership with Albert Turnbull, who was unable to attend.

The lecture covered 700 years of Turnbull history including the Minto Turnbulls and Fiona's Turnbull Family Letters.

The talk was well received by the packed house and attendees were able purchase copies of Albert's book, *The Turnbull Pedigree*, including a copy to the Borders Family History Society Library.

Saturday evening found us joining in the torchlight procession from the haugh over to Wilton Park, where we watched fireworks. Afterwards, we joined in the fun at Reivers banquet, where we were entertained with much singing and poetry recitation.

#### Sample sections of the lecture are included next column.

The full lecture can be found on the Turnbull Clan Facebook page. https://www.facebook.com/groups/2214563717





# Hawick Archealogical Society

Talk delivered by Fiona Turnbull . . . in a condensed format

Evidence shows that at the death of King William in 1214 and the coronation of Alexander II in 1249, the Rule clan were represented by Richard of Rule and his father Alan. The Rule clan were again noted in 1296 on the Ragman Rolls, when the Rule clan leaders were Adam and his son Thomas. William of Rule, the first Turnbull, was by then 7 years of age and they were undoubtedly his father and grandfather.

As we know, the Turnbull name was created on a single day to a specific person so researchers have a unique starting point. On the 15th August 1315, King Robert Bruce bestowed lands in Philliphaugh and the title of Baron of Minto to William of Rule. He also named him William Turnebull in recognition of an act of bravery and strength that he had witnessed. Sir William Turnebull, 1289-1333, 1st Baron of Minto married Margaret Hay of Douglas and died at the Battle of Halidon Hill in a duel with Sir Roger Benhale, a Norfolk Knight.

The unique trail of the major Turnbull line continues from 1)1315 in Philiphaugh, lands they held until 1593 to 2) Minto where they were Barons from 1375 until 1673 to 3) Bedrule, the Turnbull stronghold from about 1330 until 1572 then 4) Hartishaugh from 1604 until 1778 and finally 5) Deneside which was abandoned in 1717 – thus the first 400 years of Turnbulls.

Let me leave you with one thought. Mathematicians calculate that over 24 generations which is just about from the first Turnbull to now, a single couple will have 160 million descendents. This seems mind boggling until you break it down. The calculation is based on a replacement rate of just over 2 per generation and we know the first Turnbull dates 1315.

There were at least 400 Turnbulls in 1500 when Lord Dacre was defeated at Sclaterford, which supports the known head count if half of them were women. Continuing this exponential growth, by 1800 there would be 1 million descendants. It is safe to say that if you trace your Turnbull ancestry back to 1800, which is possible, every one of those 500,000 males is a direct descendant of the Barons of Minto.

When researching, just remember these three things;

- 1) First, don't rely on a single source. We have this beautiful bible chronicling 250 years of family history, but it wasn't until we read the letters that brought color to their lives that we learned of more family, until we found records of births and deaths that it may have been to hard to talk about, and until we were able to use the magic of genetics to verify it all.
- 2) People are imperfect. We don't know the reasons that the scribes of our history had to leave close relatives out. Were they misogynists? Did they even know of the relatives? Was there some family secret that pushed them away? Just remember that our ancestors were people, too, with their own imperfections, own biases and their own human nature.
- 3) There's always another mystery. Whether it's finding out about great aunts and uncles you never knew or it's stepping back farther in time to see another layer of great-grandparents, the beauty of genealogy is that the work is never done and the puzzle is never solved.



#### Scotland - Turning the screws



Scottish Star player David Turnbull. fired his second goal in as many games Motherwell moved

to 14 points clear of the relegation spots with a 1-0 smash-and-grab win over Dundee. But they remain 11th, just a point above basement boys St Mirren after Turnbull followed up his midweek winner against Hibernian with another precious goal from the penalty spot. After the Dundee substitute had screwed up his play, it gave Turnbull another chance to show his talents. The 19 year old put his penalty away like a seasoned professional. Insiders are "optimistic" Turnbull is about to tie himself to the club with a deal until 2021.

# News from around the world

by Kenneth Turnbull - International News Editor

#### Canada - Historic performance in 1977 to be honoured



In 1977, Ian Turnbull set the NHL single-game record for goals by a defenseman by scoring five times in a game against the Detroit Red Wings at Maple Leaf

Gardens. This record in Hockey has not yet been broken. Brendan Shanahan the President of the Toronto Maple Leafs said, "I do remember watching it on television and thinking what an outstanding accomplishment it was. To me it's never really got its due. On the 42nd anniversary of this feat, Ian Turnbull now 65, was presented with the J.P. Bickell Memorial Cup by Shanahan and the Maple Leafs Board of Directors in the Directors' Lounge at Scotiabank Arena prior to the game against the Pittsburgh Penguins.

#### New Zealand - Rhythm Festival

Alex Turnbull the founder and director of New Zealand's gest music festival, has been running the Rhythm and Alps Music



Festival in the Cardrona Valley for eight years and does not consider it has a drug problem. However, in order to safeguard the thousands of young people who attend, he is willing to follow a suggestion by Police Minister Stuart Nash to have all music festivals supplied with testing kits by next summer, provided it was done in a proper manner. "We've been researching this for two years, and it's now going in the right direction. There were 10,000 people there. The safety of our patrons is our number one priority and we're lucky we haven't had any issues yet."

#### Australia - League Best Sailing Club hits the Australian shores USA - Green River Valley Cowbelles honor for 2019



Mark Turnbull OAM and Sailing gold medal winner in the 470 class at the Sydney 2000 Olympics, and Howard Elliott have teamed up to bring the national league concept of clubs fighting for the title of best sailing club of the year to Australian shores.

Invites have been sent to the inaugural National Sailing League – Oceania Final who are with yacht clubs across Australia and New Zealand. The response and number of follow-up enquiries promises well for the opening final. Turnbull explains the NSL's long-term strategy: "Over the next few years we plan to engage with the heart of our sport, right across Oceania so the best sailors can represent their club in a fast and furious format using identical boats.

#### UK - Host meets a man he saved as he speaks out on cancer

The BBC viewers witnessed a touching moment when Bill Turnbull came face-to-face with a man who was prompted to go and be checked when he heard Bill's story. Lisa Skinner, the daughter of can-



cer patient Carl Skinner who was diagnosed with stage three prostate cancer, spoke about how Bill had had an impact on her dad's discovery and which ultimately may have saved his life. "Some of the symptoms that Dad had mentioned, were discussed and were typical of that sort of cancer. That rang a few alarm bells for me, so I phoned the GP the same day." Both Carl and Lisa met up with Bill later on in the segment and thanked him for speaking out about his experience and for highlighting the symptoms of the condition. Although Bill has been told his cancer is incurable, the broadcaster remained upbeat about his treatment and making the most of his time. really got behind her."



When trouble occurs, Ranchers in the Upper Green River Valley make their first call is to Pinedale large carnivore biologist, Zach Turnbull, especially when they see a cow down due to suspected depredation by a grizzly or wolf. Turnbull responds quickly. This dedication has been recognised, as he has been

recently honored by the Green River Valley Cowbelles-Cattlewomen with their 'Friend of Agriculture for 2019' award. "Zach is wonderful to work with, because he is so knowledgeable and hardworking," said Jonita Sommers, member of the Green River Valley Cowbelles. "He is very dedicated to his job. It doesn't matter when or how many times a day you call him, he comes in a timely manner. He wants what is best for the bear and the cattle."

#### Australia - Outback locals raise money for worthy causes

Around 530 kilometres inland from the Gold Coast in Queensland, in the small outback town of Dirranbandi, locals need no excuse to head to the local pub on a Saturday, but when there are haircuts, shaving and leg waxing involved,



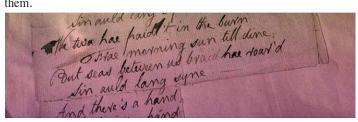
they come in droves. Laura Easton and seven-year-old Mataya Turnbull carried out their pledge to shave and cut their hair, with residents jumping on the opportunity to help. Laura represented Dirranbandi Shave for a Cure, raising \$3363 in total for the Leukaemia Foundation. "It was a real community effort, and I couldn't have done it without everyone," she said. In addition, Mataya Turnbull cut off 35 centimetres of her hair to donate to the Variety Foundation's Hair with Heart. "That was all for her," Laura said. "She raised an impressive \$1836 for her charity. "We're all really very proud of her, but again, the whole community

#### REFLECTIONS FROM OUR PAST . . .

# FOR THE SAKE OF OLD TIMES-'AULD LANG SYNE'

The ancient song, *Auld Lang Syne* was recorded by Robert Burns in the 1780s, which has today become an anthem sung all over the world, especially at New Year celebrations. It evokes a sense of belonging and fellowship, tinged with nostalgia. It is a Scots language poem set to the melody of an old folk song. The traditional use has been to bid farewell to the old year at midnight. However it is also used at funerals farewells and for many other occasions.

Originally printed in 1711 by James Watson, as a song of olden times, Robert Burns made a collection of the poems rather than composing them.



In 1788 the young Robert Burns sent the poem 'Auld Lang Syne' to the Scots Musical Museum, where he indicated that it was an ancient song, but that he was the first to record it on paper. The phrase 'auld lang syne' roughly translates as 'for old times' sake', and the song is all about preserving old friendships and looking back over the events of the year.

#### The Scottish pronunciation

Shid ald akwentans bee firgot, an nivir brocht‡ ti mynd? Shid ald akwentans bee firgot, an ald lang syn\*?

#### Chorus:

Fir ald lang syn, ma jo, fir ald lang syn, wil tak a cup o kyndnes yet, fir ald lang syn.

#### Burns original verse

Should auld acquaintance be forgot, and never brought to mind? Should auld acquaintance be forgot, and auld lang syne\*? (\*since, then)

For auld lang syne, my jo, for auld lang syne, we'll tak' a cup o' kindness yet, for auld lang syne.

It has long been a much-loved Scottish tradition to sing the song just before midnight. Everyone stands in a circle holding hands, then at the beginning of the final verse ('And there's a hand my trusty friend') they cross their arms across their bodies so that their left hand is holding the hand of the person on their right and their right hand holds that of the person on their left. When the song ends, everyone rushes to the middle, still holding hands, and probably giggling.

Most Scots know the first verse and the chorus, but if you don't know the rest, here's the remaining verses form the second one onward . . .

And surely ye'll be your pint-stowp! And surely I'll be mine! And we'll tak a cup o' kindness yet, For auld lang syne.

We twa hae run about the braes And pu'd the gowans fine; But we've wander'd mony a weary foot Sin auld lang syne. We twa hae paidl'd i' the burn, Frae mornin' sun till dine; But seas between us braid hae roar'd And there's a hand, my trusty fiere! And gie's a hand o' thine!

And we'll tak a right guid willy waught, For auld lang syne.
Should old acquaintance be forgot, And never brought to mind?
Should old acquaintance be forgot, And long, long ago.

And for long, long ago, my dear For long, long ago, We'll take a cup of kindness yet, For long, long ago

And surely you'll buy your pint-jug! And surely I'll buy mine! And we'll take a cup of kindness yet, For long, long ago.

We two have run about the hills And pulled the daisies fine; But we've wandered manys the weary foot Since long, long ago.

We two have paddled in the stream, From morning sun till dine; But seas between us broad have roared Since long, long ago.

And there's a hand, my trusty friend! And give us a hand of yours! And we'll take a deep draught of good-will For long, long ago.

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John Masey Wright and John Rogers'illustration of the 'Old Lang Syne poem. 1841

## WHATEVER THE DISTANCE, FRIENDS REMAIN CLOSE

by Adriana Turnbull Rosdao-Bonewitz

It is wonderful how with a family there is never too big of a distance or too long a period of time away from each other in order to remain close.

I met Dawn Day on the June 2007 Turnbull Clan Association combined AGM and trip to the land of our founder. . . Scotland.

This visit was also the first official display of the Turnbull Clan Association flag, depicting the arms granted by the Lord Lyon.

As we arrived on the bus, we could see high above us on the town hall, a flag flying with a Bull's head, surrounded by a Celtic chain border!

Hawick, with open arms, extended a welcome to the Turnbull Clan that will be remembered forever.



Adriana Turnbull Rosado-Bonewitz (middle fourth row) and Dawn Day (front right) met for the first time during the 2007 Turnbull Clan AGM and Tour in the Borders, Scotland. They reunited recently in Mt. Gambier, Australia, spring memories of their common Turnbull heritage.



This last December, I was fortunate enough to arrive by chance to Mount Gambier, where Dawn lives. Her family heritage dates back to her G-G-G Grandfather, James Turnbull, who was born raised and married in the borderlands of Scotland.

Mount Gambier is a beautiful and historical city. Located in the south-eastern corner of South Australia, and is known for its limestone, volcanic landscape and crater lakes. One of these, the Blue Lake, turns cobalt blue in summer. Nearby, the Centenary Tower offers panoramic views of the area.

The Umpherston Sinkhole contains a lush sunken garden and the nearby Lady Nelson Visitor Centre houses a full-size replica of a late 18th century ship.

The reunion was brief but extremely enriching. Dawn is a most admirable and remarkable Turnbull who is dedicated to the care and nurturing of her family, whether they're close or far away.

Once again it was made evident that the bonds among the extraordinary Turnbull family, in whichever continent one resides, in this case a Mexican in North America, and an Australian, are strong and enduring.



Adriana Turnbull Rosado-Bonewitz with friend Dawn Day in 2018

# A PERSONAL LOOK AT THE 2018 MILITARY TATTOO . . .

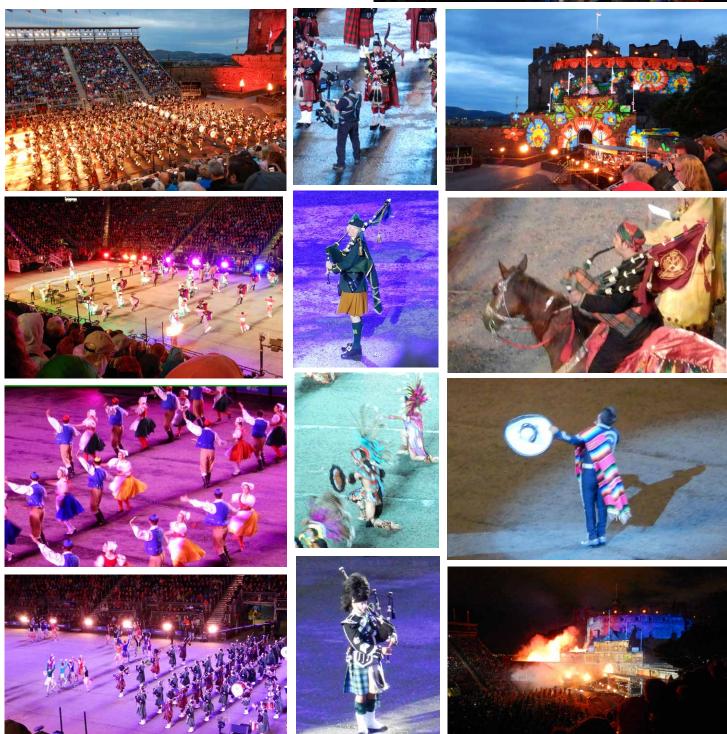
Article and pictures by Kenneth Turnbull

On the 15th August, last year, we were lucky enough to attend the Military Tattoo in Edinburgh. Tickets to the parade usually sell out many months beforehand. However, on a whim, and only two months out from the show, we decided to try for some and were successful.

On the day, it rained up until an hour before it started. Then the clouds parted to present a pleasant evening ahead. As we left, it started to rain once more.

In all, 220,000 spectators attended the booked out spectacular for 2018. These are just few pictures that give an insight into the evening's events.





## SCOTLAND'S INVENTIONS - REFRIGERATION

Compiled by Kenneth Turnbull



**Professor Cullen** 

Professor William Cullen, a Scot, was a progressive thinker in his day. Born in 1710 at Hamilton, Lanarkshire he grew up and became a Physician and Scientist.

Over the next few years, he became a Professor of Medicine and Chemistry. While working in Edinburgh in 1748, and through his skills, he demonstrated artificial refrigeration at the University of Glasgow. He revealed his theory by using ethyl ether in a bell jar which he let boil into a partial vacuum by using a

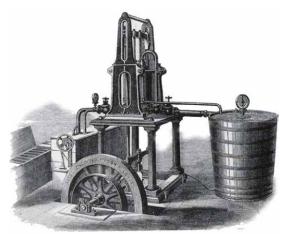
pump to suck the air out. The reaction then absorbed the heat from the surrounding air causing small areas of ice to form.

The professor was the first to do so, although he didn't use it for practical purposes. However, his idea was passed off as not having any functional use and it was not until the following century before his efforts were finally recognised.

Around 1856, it is believed this initial idea was put into practise through an American Businessman, Alexander Twinning, although shortly after this, an Australian, James Harrison, introduced a vapour compression refrigeration system to the meat and brewing industry.

In the 1960's the characteristics of an electric current with semiconductors were used for commercial refrigeration. This method was known as the Peltier effect, after the French Physicist Jean Peltier who had observed this effect with two different metals as early as 1834.

Today, the basic components of a refrigerator are a compressor, a condenser, an expansion device, an engine (electric motor) and an evaporator.



Harrison's Ice Making Machine, 1857

During those ensuing years, Professor William Cullen continued to preserve his food by using the traditional methods of packing winter ice into underground chambers until he died at the age of 80.

He will be remembered as the first person and the forerunner, though inadvertently, able to demonstrate how food could be kept very cool through refrigeration.



1927 model GE 'Monitor Top' domestic refrigerator

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