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## HAWICK AGM AND MONUMENT 10TH ANNIVERSARY



Turnbull Clan members from US, Canada, Mexico, UK, and Germany, with local dignitaries gather at the Turning of the Bull monument to honor its 10th anniversary and install a new plaque. Included in the ceremony were Myra Turnbull, Hawick ex-provost and TCA co-founder and Angela Hunter, the artist who created the statue.

King Robert the Bruce went hunting in the great wood of Caledon near Stirling and narrowly escaped with his own life when one of the great white bulls rushed fiercely at him. Then, a man of great spirit leapt before the King and, grappling with the bull, cast it to the earth with great force and held it there while the remaining hunters slew it with their weapons. Thereafter, William Rule, the Borders man slew it with their weapons. Thereafter, William Rule, the Borders man who rescued the King, was called Turn-e-bull. Hector Boece, Historian, 1526

Inscription is taken from words written by Scottish Historian Hector Boece, 1526.



And the wheels on the bus go round and round...

To call this year's AGM a success would be an understatement. Thirty-one clan members gathered in the Borders for 5 days of touring that included celebrating the 10th anniversary of the *Turning of the Bull* monument with the presentation of a new bronze plaque, a taste of the Hawick Common Riding, a distillary tour, a climb up to Fatlips, a moving service at the Bedrule Kirk and much more. In addition to sightseeing, this was time for renewing and for making new friendships. After five days together, lasting bonds were formed.

The first day of the tour began with a trip to the Hawick Moor for the annual Common Riding, a distillary visit, and ending with former TCA President Wally Turnbull dedicating the new plaque installed on the *The Turning of the Bull* monument.

After a week filled with touring local sites, the last evening we gathered with local Turnbulls and honored guests for the Annual General Meeting and banquet. Awards were presented and Wally Turnbull officially handed over the reins for TCA to its new president, Walter Turnbull. Come along with us through photos and enjoy the journey.



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years old. Oh. darn, we'll just

## **CONGRATULATIONS!**

At the 2019 AGM in Hawick, Scotland, VP Jeff Trimble presented Fiona Turnbull with the Clan Member of the Year **Award**. Fiona has represented Clan Turnbull well through the Hawick Reivers Festival, as our own genalogist who is always willing to help a fellow clan member and recently as being named Project Administrator to the Trimble/Turnbull DNA Project. Well deserved. Fiona!





Wally was instrumental in acquiring official arms for TCA, granted and registered by the Lyon Court. But, perhaps Wally will most be remembered for his dream of creating a destination place in the Borders for his TCA family resulting in the

During his time as President, he accomplished many goals.

Myra Turnbull, co-founder of TCA, and our matriarch presented the John F. Turnbull Lifetime Acheivement Award to two deserving individuals. Myra was the first recipient of the award

named for her husband, John. Brian Turnbull (below left) received the award for his 20

plus years of service to TCA that have included being web-

master and genealogist. He has

perhaps contributed more hours of service to our clan than any other single individual. Yet, he has done so quietly without any fanfare. Congratulations, Brian, and thank you from your TCA

Wally Turnbull recently stepped as TCA President.

creation of the Turning of the Bull Monument in Hawick.

Congratulations to Fiona, Brian, and Wally, and thank you for your continued committment to your TCA family.

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### BULLSEYE

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## Flowers of the Forest

Remembering Keith Turnbull 24th October 1939 - 21st March 2019



Originally from Jamaica, West Indies

## Flowers of the Forest

Remembering James Galvin Turnbull 8th January 1927 - 28th March 2019



Originally from Virgin Islands A SON'S TRIBUTE

He was a bull of a man . . . He was a man that took no bull . . . In the true Turnbull fashion, my pop's lived a full life. And 28th March that life was taken from him and from me, forever.

Gone to the place all Turnbulls' roam.

After breathing their last.

I think he's in Avalon right now. Daddy,

I am broken . . . Only you know how much you meant. To this last of 6 sons that almost wasn't.

Thank you for life and your love.

You'll NEVER be forgotten.

In time the pain will ease but never leave. 'Cause you were

Now I say goodbye to you . . .

With all my love . . .

Your youngest son

A true Taurean and true Turnbull

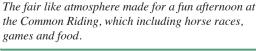
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### **Sharing and Caring**

With the passing of Keith Turnbull and James Calvin Turnbull their families appreciate your thoughts and prayers.

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Hawick, "Safe oot, safe in." A group photo at the base of Fatlips Castle prooves Turnbull Clan made it to the top (Safe oot). The clan gaterhing at the base of the trail returning shows "safe in."







A service at Bedrule Kirk and the dedication of a new stained glass window was the beginning of a beautiful Sunday. (More about the window in the next issue of the Bullseye. (Above photo courtesy of Katherine A. Turnbull.)





Tour and clan member, Mary Turnbull was invited to read scripture for the service. The kirk ladies guild provided a lovely tea reception for our group and attendees.





Left, Wally Turnbull thanks Maureen King for her service to the kirk and for helping with the tea. Above, he chats with newly appointed minister Rachel Wilson and husband, Graeme.

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### Wales - Over 350,000 pupils



A teacher and campaigner Debbie Ann Turnbull, has spent over a decade promoting sea safety, has recently re-it-

paign following the recent death On the last Saturday of every of a teenager off the coast of Llan- May the Thistle Quilt Guild dudno. Her personal campaign invites the public to see what began with her son, 15-year-old its members have been work-Christopher Turnbull who died ing on throughout the year. during an accident at Cyfyng Falls "I would say that this is our near Capel Curig in August 2006. best one yet," said quilt guild "Over the past 13 years or so I've been teaching children about the dangers of open water.

### **USA - Women in Motor Sports**



Racing car engineer and inspector, Lauren Turnbull plans to spend many more competitions at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway. Before the IndyCars are allowed onto the famed 2.5-mile Indianapolis Motor Speedway oval, they have to pass through garage C32 for tech inspection, known simply as "tech" to teams and their crews. - to make sure that the competitive balance is still there," she explained.

### **UK - Energetic volunteers**



makes Teenage Cancer Trust volun- Making Music in an Oil and important in their young lives.

# News from around the world

by Kenneth Turnbull - International News Editor

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president Gloria Turnbull. "We actually had to put more racks in this year because we had so many quilts. Everything that was on display or for sale had been hand made by the thistle quilt guild. The Show and Tea event which took place at the Westville Civic Centre was an astonishing display of patterns. There were log-cabin patterns, and intricate quilt-work that uses the paper-piece method in which every inch on the fabric could contain up to ten individually hand-stitched pieces.

### Virgin Islands - Businesses involved at Career Exposition



Over 30 exhibitors were present at the HireBVI Career Exposition in May which had an unexpectedly overwhelming turnout of job seekers. According to the Managing Director of HireBVI, Rekeema Turnbull, said there

was a high probability of attendees attaining a job afterwards, adding "About 20 of the exhibitors told us that they have jobs available, so I should say that many will have a job by the following week." She further said: "The outcome is amazing, I am very much impressed. With some persons reportedly travelling into the island mainly for this event, Manager Turnbull stated: "It means for us there is obviously a larger diversity of skillsets coming into the BVI and that adds facets of what we have already in the BVI."

### Canada - New book explores energy industry, music scene

Gillian Turnbull's connection between the oil and gas and Calgary's roots music scene is the subject of a new book. Ti-Karen Turnbull has reflected on what tled as the Sonic Booms:



teers such a unique and dynamic Town. Gillian a former Calgarian and Ryerson University force. a young-hearted organisation, music historian, she explores the relationship and connecting both literally (we're celebrating our threads between our Canadian energy industry and the roots 30th anniversary next year) and in music scene. "When I lived here as a younger person, I was spirit, and we're proud to have this going out to hear music festivals all the time, and I realised reflected in our volunteers. Music is there was a magical thing happening here," Turnbull said, in integral to the Teenage Cancer Trust interviews. Canada. Tight knit and supportive, and just a great place to make music," she added.

### Canada - D-Day rememberance

'We had a job to do - and we did it' 94-year-old Fred Turnbull looks down on Bedford Basin from his fourth-floor apartment.. It is the



same magnificent harbour where, so very long ago, the then-17-year-old stared down from the train carrying him to Halifax and saw navy convoys gathering to cross the Atlantic. "That's when it dawned on me that we were at war," recalls Mr. Turnbull. It was the summer of 1942. He would see action in Sicily and Greece, but the event that would stay with him forever - the incredible noise that affects his hearing to this day – was June 6, 1944: D-Day.

### UK - Principal chosen at St Ronan's



With the announcement of the school Principals, Grace Turnbull has been given a leading role for the festivities in Innerleithen. Grace

Turnbull, also in Primary 7, was selected as Dux Girl and will also play a leading role in the Ceremonies. She lives in St Ronan's Terrace with her family, and said she was "surprised and proud" to be picked.

### Scotland - Football Writers' award



Midfielder David Turnbull was named as the Scottish Football Writers' Association Scottish Young Player of the Year. The 19-year-old scooped the prize after netting 13 goals in 29 Ladbrokes Premiership games during his breakthrough season at Fir Park. The award is open to all Scottish players born during or after 1997. Turnbull - who has two years left on his contract - has recently scooped five prizes at his club's annual awards night and was also on the shortlist for the PFA Scotland Young Player of the Year.

## A COLOURFUL PERSONALITY WITH TURNBULL LEANINGS



"Moran Taing" (Scots Gaelic for Thanks)

Beth Gay Freeman has sent a big 'Thanks' to all the Scottish clans and SAMS who over the years, have bestowed on her as an Honourary member. However, she wanted to say this as a personal expression and finally came up with the 'Thank You Skirt'.

For many years, she was a graphic designer, writer, editor and promotions director for radio stations and was one of the first women ever to be awarded a Certified Radio Marketing Specialist certificate. Beth is a free-lance writer with her articles and stories appearing in many journals and magazines, including clan 'Genealogical Helper'. She has presented programs all over the United States and in Scotland. Beth has been also been made an Honourary Member of the Clan Turnbull International.

She was a regular columnist for America's 'The Moultrie Observer' and 'The Mailbox Post' for almost 15 years. She was a columnist for 10 years with the 'The Florida Times-Union' (Jacksonville, Florida). Beth is also listed in Who's Who in the Southeast and Who's Who in the United States.

"The basic skirt of nine tartans and nine black panels was made up by The Scotland Shop in Edinburgh, Scotland and inexpertly embroidered by me."

Beth continues, "To create the skirt, I had to scour my house to find the certificates given to me by you all. I had never counted the clans and had never thought about numbers and was astonished to discover that there are SIXTEEN."

In no particular order, my Honourary Clans are: ..

- The Clan MacNichol Society.
- The CIan Home Association.
- The Clan MacLeod Society.
- The Clan MacLaren Society of North America.
- The Scottish American Military Society Beth's newfangled Family Tree.
- The Clan Forrester Society.
- The Clan Macneil Association of America. • The Turnbull Clan Association.
- The House of Gordon USA.
- The Clan Lamont Association of North America.
- The Clan Grant Society USA.
- The Clan Buchanan Society, International.
- The Clan Shaw of Tordarrach.
- The Clan Macduffee Society of America.
- The Clan Chattan Association.
- The Clan Anderson Society, Ltd.

"Without reservations, working with the Scottish community all these years has been an important highlight of my entire life. What a pleasure and joy it has been! I appreciate all the kindnesses shown to me by the Scottish Community. I will forever think about and sincerely miss those dear friends who have already gone on."

Beth Gay Freeman

Beth showing off her 'Thank you' skirt' made up with a collection of the various tartans she has collected over the years,

More samples of the self-embroidered tartans, including the Turnbull Hunting Tartan.

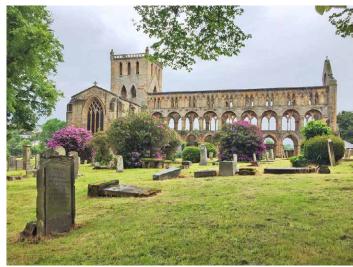




## Hawick AGM and Tour continued on pages 6 and 7 from page 3

James, Gemma, Olivia, and wee George Lubbick were so kind as to open up their home and estate to us. The tour group, joined by Darin Trimble and family and by Kelly Turnbull Caroll's family, along with local friends numbered 50 spent a picture perfect Sunday afternoon competeing in our own version of Highland Games and enjoying a hog and lamb roast.



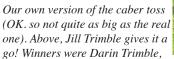


Our abbey tour included to Jedburgh Abbey (above), Dryburgh Abbey, and Melrose Abbey (below).









Wyatt Trimble, Matt Aldrich and TCA's president, Walter Turnbull.

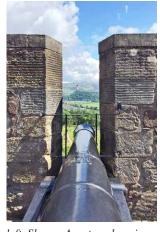


Hamish Turnbull announces he'd never shot an arrow just seconds before making a BULLSEYE! Above are archery winners, Brett Turnbull, Hamish Turnbull and Wyatt Trimble.









Above left, Sharon Acosta, who wins the award for MOST KNOWLEDGE-ABLE, Suzi, Pam, and Brittany enjoy lunch at the Townhouse in Melrose.

Above right, no trip is complete without a trip to Stirling Castle. It was in the surrounding woods that William Rule saved Robert the Bruce and became the first Turnbull.

Left, Walter, Brittany, Mary marvel at the size of William Wallace's sword and wonder how he ever lifted it in battle.



They say all good things must come to an end, and so, too, our time together in Scotland. We reunited with old friends and family, celebrated a birthday (Happy Birthday, Teeq), a first anniversary, (Congrats Nikki and Matt), made new friends, and made our own footprints on the lands of our ancestors.

Our AGM banquet celebrated it all! Transfer of leadership was officially carried out by Wally Turnbull, who welcomed TCA President Walter Turnbull and Executive Vice-President, Jeffrey Trimble. (Speeches and presentations from the trip, including the reading of the Flowers of the Forest can be found on the TCA You Tube channel (http://bit.ly/TurnbullYouTube.) A big thank you to all who came and made this event one to remember!



Left, President Walter Turnbull and wife Brittany welcome all to the 2019 AGM.

Right, officers present included Betty
Turnbull, Communications VP; VP of Events,
William Trimble;
Treasurer, Sandy
Turnbull; Executive VP
Jeffrey Trimble; Walter
Turnbull, President.









Left, Adriana Turnbull Bonewitz renews her friendship with Debbie Turnbull Irvine. The two met at the first AGM tour in 2007! Above members of the tour enjoy getting to know some of the local Turnbulls at the banquet.





Above left, honoured guests included George and Lynda Turnbull. Ex-Cornet George was instramental in placing the Turning of the Bull monument in Hawick. Above right, we were entertained by Tam Knox and the Buskers Bunnet. They also played a Tam Knox original about the fields of Flodden at the conclusion of the reading of the Flowers of the Forest.

## SCOTLAND'S INVENTIONS - THE GREGORIAN TELESCOPE

Compiled by Kenneth Turnbull

We owe the existence of what we take for granted in our lives today such as the telephone, television, penicillin, and the beginnings of computers with Napier's Bones to Scottish innovation. The Gregorian telescope is also amongst these most influential.

As early as 1663, the Gregorian design for magnification was invented by a Scotsman, James Gregory, an astronomer from Aberdeenshire. His early designs predated the forerunner to the now famous telescope invented by a friend of his, Sir Isaac Newton.

James Gregory's designs were well thought out and very complex. However, during his lifetime, his early attempts to build one failed and he was unable to find a skilled optician who could translate his ideas to become a reality.



The Gregorian Telescope - circa 1735 Harvard Science Center

It was Sir Isaac Newton who used a series of two concave mirrors, the primary mirror which had a small hole in it. In turn, it reflects magnified distant images into an eyepiece. Eventually, the Gregorian telescope became a world standard astronomical observation instrument for over 150 years. Variations including the Newtonian telescope and the Cassegrain telescope.

Today the Gregorian optics have been used to explore deep space through radio telescopes. One such example is the Parkes radio telescope in New South Wales, Australia, which was instrumental in man's first space expedition to the moon. To honour James Gregory's invention, one such moon crater has even been named after him.

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