

THE GREAT COMMISSION WINDOW DEDICATION – BEDRULE

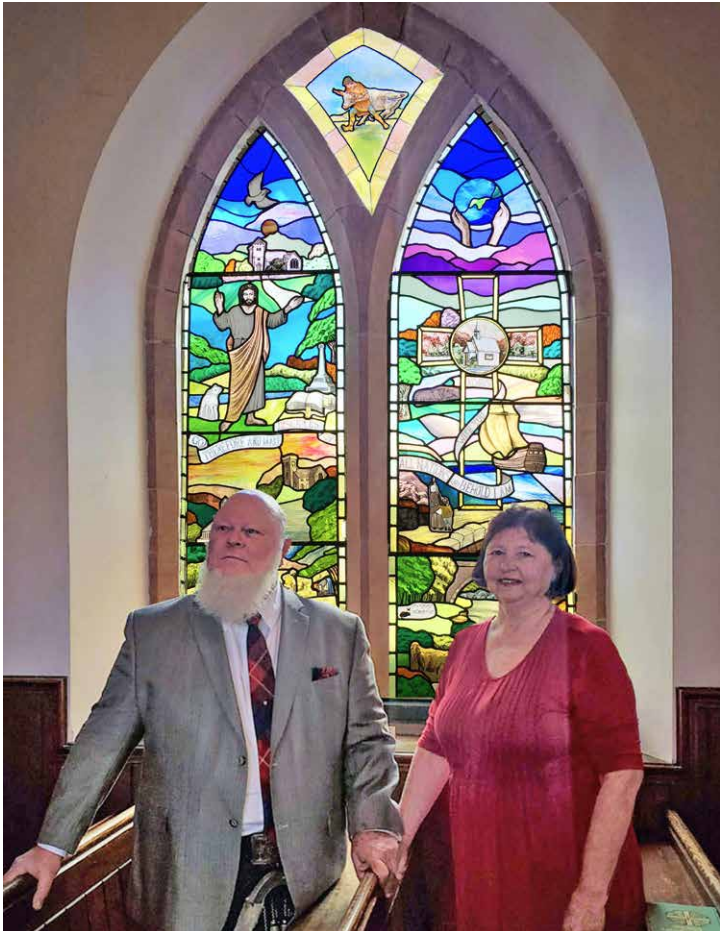
In June, Wally Turnbull stood before the filled pews of Bedrule Kirk and said, “Almost to the hour, 20 years ago, I stood in the yard of this church for the first time and looked across the Rule Valley, over the manse and out to Ruberslaw. A feeling I have seldom known came over me, and I began to dream.”

“Today, I’m surrounded by clansmen, friends, and family. What more could a man ask for? One of those dreams was to fill this window with a piece of artwork that would proclaim the message of Jesus Christ through imagery depicting the strong historical ties of this place to the one where I now live.”

He continued to ask that when you look at the window, you don’t think about the American couple who donated it. Instead think about Jesus, who commanded each of us to live a Christian life and to spread the good news of the Gospel.

“And so,” he continued, “my dream has come true. The people of Scotland left, some by choice, some not by choice, but they all carried with them their faith. And they shared that faith wherever they went.”

Borders artist Sandy Milligan created the magnificent images, depicting the Scottish people carrying the message of the Great Commission abroad and the many connections between the Borders and North Carolina where Wally and his wife, Betty, live.



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Wally and Betty Turnbull, North Carolina, donate the Great Commission Window to the Bedrule Kirk.



Angela Hunter-sculptor of the Turning of the Bull monument, Sandy Milligan-Window artist, and Maurice Jackson-Stained glass artist gather to celebrate the new window.

THE TURNBULL/TRIMBLE DNA PROJECT

Genealogist Fiona Turnbull has recently been named Project Administrator to the Trimble/Turnbull DNA Project. Fiona is committed to helping Turnbull Clan members trace their heritage through tying family lines together through DNA results.

The Family Tree DNA project has launched their summer sale. Fiona says that this is a great time to upgrade your results to higher markers (67 and 111). Fiona also points out that the higher marker tests are much more effective for narrowing down results.

If you haven’t yet joined the program, there are significant discounts throughout August on the Big Y tests. Visit www.familytreedna.com and join the Turnbull Project.

**Begin your
DNA Journey**

Swab Collection Kit



Authors Corner

Peter Turnbull

Peter Turnbull was born in 1950 and has authored at least 47 previous novels and numerous works of short fiction.

After attending Cambridge College of Fine Arts and graduating with a BA in 1974, then attending Cardiff University in Wales, Peter worked for many years as a government social worker, both in Glasgow and in Brooklyn, New York, before returning to his native Yorkshire, where he now resides.

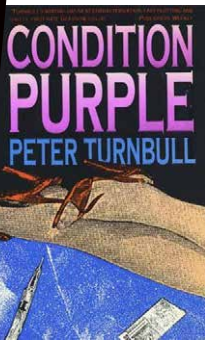
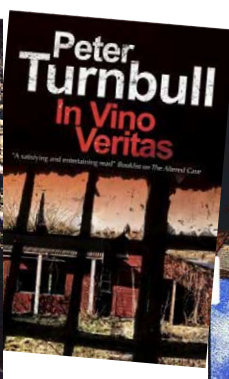
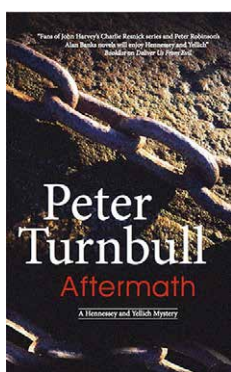


He is known and respected as British police procedural writer with his own unique approach in storytelling. Moreover, his fiction novels continue to influence the way of life of thousands of his readers worldwide.

Peter has produced books in three main series, as well as several non-series publications.

His first of his series was set in Glasgow, including *Deep and Crisp* and *Even* in 1982, and his 10th, *The Man With No Face*. In the second series, set in York England, a popular seller includes *Aftermath* and in his third series, set in London, England *In Vino Veritas* is just one example of his popular sellers. His latest release in April this year is *The 18th Abduction*.

<https://www.bookseriesinorder.com/peter-turnbull>



23rd Annual Scottish Photo Contest

CALLING ALL TCA TENT HOSTS

By Bill and Claudia Trimble

Following the Turnbull Clan tour and AGM in Hawick Scotland, there is a resurgence of interest in hosting a Turnbull Clan Tent. This new brochure will assist you in getting started, but please contact us.

twoscots1217@earthlink.net for more information.



We are compiling a monthly list of locations, hosts, and dates of up-coming Scottish Highland Games to help inform members and others who would like to attend an event close to them, or visit one, wherever the event may be . . . Scotland, Canada, USA, Australia, New Zealand or other known venues.

Additionally, if you are interested in hosting a TCA tent at an area where we can help, including brochures, banners, posters, and encouragement, let us know. At this stage we are limited to USA and Canada as resources are limited to costs. Hosting a clan tent is a lot of fun, educational, and entertaining. Outside North America we certainly do encourage participation at any Highland Games. Let everyone know "WE SAVED THE KING".

Upcoming Highland Games in USA representing Turnbull Clans:

- August:** 30th Wisconsin Highland Games, Waukesha, WI
September: 5-8 Longs Peak, Estes Park, CO
 15-16 Niagara Celtic in Lockport, NY
 20-22 New Hampshire Highland Games, Lincoln, NH
October: 18-20 Stone Mountain Georgia
 26-27 Central Virginia Highland Games, Richmond, VA

If you know of any other upcoming Highland Games with TCA tent hosts, please contact us. Bill and Claudia Trimble - TCA VP for Events

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GLASS WINDOW DEDICATION

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North Carolina is a state with millions of descendants of Scottish immigrants, dozens of towns, and several counties with Scottish names, including one called "Scotland." The Great Commission window includes complementary and contrasting images from the Scottish Borders and North Carolina to represent the sharing of the Great Commission by the Scots who emigrated to nations around the world.

The images include a dove as a messenger of peace, hands holding the world representing "all nations," a tall-masted ship sailing the

ocean to the new world, Bedrule Kirk, Hobkirk, a North Carolina mountain church, Borders sheep, North Carolina pigs, Ruberslaw in the Borders hills, the Blue Ridge Mountains, Jesus, and the empty cross. The top quadrant is of the turning of the bull, a symbol for the Turnbull Clan as representatives of all Borders clans and their diaspora.

The Great Commission window was made by Maurice Jackson of The Stained Glass Studio, Edinburgh.

When you are next in Bedrule, find a quiet moment to sit in one of the pews. Enjoy the rainbow of sunshine streaming through the stained glass. Appreciate the talents and skills of the artists who created the beautiful images and built the magnificent window. Be grateful for

our ancestors who struggled to give us political and economic freedom. Note the cross and remember the price that Jesus paid to offer us the choice of spiritual freedom. Leave with appreciation but not forgetting your role today in the message of that window.

Hamish Turnbull, his mother ex-Provost Myra Turnbull, Betty and Wally Turnbull, window committee members Maureen King and Alison Henderson, artist Sandy Milligan and Rev. Douglas Nicol outside the Bedrule Kirk by The Great Commission Window. Photo credit: The Hawick Paper



YOUR HELP IS NEEDED . . .

REFLECTIONS FROM OUR PAST . . .

Please allow me to introduce myself. My name is Laurie Jones and I am collector of Chinese armorial porcelain of the 18th century and in the final stages (12 years) of writing a book on the influence of the Honourable East India Company (HEIC) on early Colonial New Zealand.

Recently I was able to add to my collection the illustrated items, and penned the narrative accompanying them. Naturally, I would like to add to what I have written about the Turnbull name and whilst there is quality information on your clan website I do not wish to just repeat that.

So, I am asking TCA members if they have any information willing to share on what I think are the initials GT, possibly George Turnbull. Whilst the dates may correlate with George Turnbull, the author of the book *Principals of Moral Philosophy* London 1740, I do not wish to credit the porcelain to him without further information and possible verification.

Hopefully the initials are GT, but if not, are there any other Turnbull's of historic note from that era that I may be able to attribute the porcelain to.

Your help in this matter would be greatly appreciated and of course accredited to in whatever is fore-coming and penned.

Thanking you in advance.

Kind regards

Laurie Jones.

If you can help, please contact us at editor@turnbullclan.com



Turnbull crested coffee (chocolate) cup and tea bowl, part of a tea set with spearhead decoration on rim of coffee cup and on inside of tea bowl c.1745-65. (A.C.)

The Turnbull name is highly respected in New Zealand, due to Alexander Horsburgh Turnbull (1868-1918) who on his death, bequeathed to the nation some 55,000 books. These books contained specific reference to New Zealand and Pacific exploration, Scottish history, English literature, John Ruskin, and particularly John Milton.

Together with a plethora of manuscripts, photographs, paintings and sketches, they became the nucleus of the renowned Alexander Turnbull library. Initially housed in his house on Bowen Street opposite Parliament Buildings, however as of 2012, they now repose with the collections of the National Library of New Zealand. In 1913, five years before his death, Alexander H. Turnbull presented all his Māori and Pacific artefacts to the Dominion Museum, now Te Papa Museum.

UK – New Motor Sales Director



To oversee the brand's sales operations, Rob Turnbull has been appointed as the Hyundai Motor UK new sales

director. Turnbull, who has previously worked for BMW Group for nineteen years and most recently held the role of head of sales at Mini, stepped into his new role immediately. An accountant by profession, he asserts more than 20 years of automotive, sales and retail experience, a number of senior roles across the BMW Group, supply planning, network development and national sales operations.

Scotland – Kinross Show event



The Kinross Show took place in August with a record attendance. Led by incoming president Andrew Turnbull. The committee received offers of support and new ideas to complement the strong livestock and horse entries. A pipe band visiting from Tasmania, Australia was also present.

Canada – Outstanding Education Graduate Award



An annual Students' Teacher event hosted by the Centre for the Advancement of Teaching and Learning, gives outstanding graduating students the opportunity to honour those teachers who have made important contributions to their education. This year, graduating law student Tracy Schmidt was selected as the Faculty of Law's exceptional student, and she chose to recognize Professor Lorna Turnbull as the post-secondary teacher who most inspired her. Dr. Jonathan Black-Branch, shared the news with the Robson Hall community saying, "On behalf of the Faculty of Law, I wish to extend Congratulations to Tracy Schmidt and Professor Lorna Turnbull who were recognized at the 2019 Students' Teacher Recognition Reception."



by Kenneth Turnbull - International News Editor

Canada – Library pioneers of Tri-City women

The Coquitlam branch of the Canadian Federation of University Women got its start 50 years ago, but the biggest concern was how to get a public library established in the growing city. Now, Coquitlam has two library branches. Few would remember that it was a group of mothers with university degrees and college diplomas who fought to have access to books for themselves and their families. "We felt we should have a library because we were a civilized community," said Irene Turnbull, one of the Coquitlam club's original members.



UK – Wheelchair-bound by age 12 due to rare illness



Most young children run around freely without a moment's thought. But one Ipswich couple have faced every parent's nightmare after discovering their youngest son has a rare disorder which means he will eventually be wheelchair-bound. Blood tests towards the end of last year revealed that Oakley Turnbull, now aged three, has the rare Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy (DMD). However his parents Sam and Scott Turnbull, are now raising awareness of their son's life-limiting condition with the help of their 'incredibly supportive' nursery school teacher, Lisa Mattin-Moss. She arranged a fun day & awareness of DMD, raising £ 850 for the charity Action Duchenne, adding "Oakley is all about fun and mess and being happy. The day was packed full of all the things he enjoyed." Overall, it was a great success.

Scotland – Going for gold in sport



One of the most highly-anticipated events in Galashiels Braw Lads' Gathering week took place on the second last Sunday in June, the schoolchildren's sports day. Among the race winners was Molly Turnbull. True to form, it was held in fantastic sunshine on the back pitches at Netherdale, with the principals in attendance and cheering on the youngsters put forward by their respective schools. The day was well attended.

USA – Woman to Watch in 2019

From the beginning of her career, Julie Turnbull has been quite passionate about the science of human diseases, especially rare diseases. Her background in healthcare academia, including a Ph.D. from the University of Toronto in molecular genetics and a postdoctoral fellowship at the world-renowned Hospital for Sick Kids, she has been able to become a "multilingual diplomat". Turnbull can speak the languages of strategists, web developers, clients, and patients.



UK – Wedded bliss Cumbrian couple



Lucy Turnbull and Tom Wentworth Waites have finally tied the knot. Living in a farming community, Lucy was proposed to on Mardale Common in north-western England on Christmas Eve in 2017 . . . in the driving rain and blowing a gale. Transport to the wedding was by Black Friesian Experience. The bride rode to the church on a horse and the bridal party travelled on a tractor and trailer which had been lovingly restored by the bride's father Keith Turnbull for the wedding.

New Zealand – A Memory Book

Pat Turnbull a Resident of Rowena Jackson, is glad to finally have her Memory Book published. There is now a place to share and record memories to be used as a treasured legacy to hand on. The residents of Rowena Jackson, Pat Turnbull and Merrin Jack's Memory Book, gives residents of all Ryman Retirement Villages in New Zealand the chance to share memories with loved ones.



40 YEARS AGO, THE FIRST FULL CLAN GATHERING WAS HELD

It was John F. Turnbull, a wine merchant based in Hawick and founder of the Turnbull Clan Association, who planned the first full Turnbull Clan Gathering in 1979. His wording in the 1978 Newsletter, 'Your committee have had discussions upon this subject and are committed to a full Gathering in 1979.'

The year following the Gathering, John made the comment, 'Our mem-

bership received a massive boost with the Gathering in October 1979. I know that you will be delighted to hear we now number 550 world-wide. This was due to the publicity we received through the newspapers and radio - not only on a national scale, but also internationally.'

So, 40 years on, we now have some 2240 members. Little did he dream the Association would be so successful, . . . and, you are part of it.

Published locally by the Hawick News

Clan Gathering great success

THE TURNBULL Clan Gathering, held in Hawick over the weekend, proved a resounding success, with 70 delegates from all over Britain and abroad taking part in the celebrations.

The festivities began on Friday night, with a ceilidh held in the Crown Hotel.

Throughout the evening, the visitors were treated to a feast of traditional entertainment and the company was favoured by many well-known local entertainers and singers, including Rob Hobkirk and his band, Wat Robson and friends, Reene Currie, Edna Tait, Cathy Williams, Charlie Turnbull and his country dancers and Will Scott.

Latecomers who arrived during the course of the evening were made welcome and the success of the first event of the programme set the scene for the rest of the weekend.

On Saturday morning, Dr Michael Robson, Curator of Hawick Museum, gave a lecture on the history of the Turnbull Clan, in which he revealed that there is evidence

of Turnbells existing in the eighth century.

The lecture was recorded by the guests and should make interesting reading when transcribed.

In the afternoon, following lunch at the Horse and Hounds Inn in Bonchester, the guests were taken on a tour of the places of interest in the area.

First, the two busloads went to Bedrule and then round Jedburgh Abbey, Barnhills and Fatlips Castle, before going to Mossbail so that the visitors could have a taste of the Common Riding.

They enjoyed the outing immensely and returned to Hawick at about six o'clock.

On Saturday night, the international dinner was held in the Crown Hotel and the company was graced by many excellent speeches. The main toast, "To the Turnbull", was given by Dr Bill Cameron, who was in sparkling form and gave a humorous and spirited speech.

During the evening they were entertained by Bert Armstrong, the renowned local singer, accompanied by Adie Ingles on piano. The visitors found the Border songs enchanting and the dinner, which finished late, was voted a great success by the 90 guests who attended.

On Sunday morning a good congregation turned out at

Bedrule Church to hear the Rev. Harry Dodds preach a memorial sermon which was much appreciated by all who attended.

Following the service, the company had a light lunch in the Fox and Hounds Inn at Denholm before making their departures. The general feeling was that it had been a great weekend and that the guests were already looking forward to the next gathering.

Mr John Turnbull, who organised the event, commented: "There will definitely be another one in four years. However, depending on membership, there could be another Clan Gathering sooner".



THE TURNBULL CLAN . . . Turnbells from all round the British Isles and overseas visited Hawick this weekend for the Turnbull Clan Gathering.

A PHOTOGRAPHER'S ADVENTURES IN SCOTLAND . . .



By Leon Turnbull

My first few days experiences visiting Scotland . . .

As a Turnbull, I hail from San Jose in America. An avid nature photographer, I recently had a fabulous ten days of discovery around Scotland and Ireland. My specific interest for this trip included the many waterfalls I wanted to capture. All in all, I visited 17 in Scotland and 9 waterfalls in Ireland, with most of them in good lighting conditions. Overall, I managed to record many photographs and do some video recording as well.

My first waterfall in Scotland and probably the best, was Steall Falls. It had a spectacular with a drop of 393 ft (120 m). Pure awesomeness! But, I'll start from the beginning . . .

The twelve hour flight was from San Jose on the west coast of USA to London in the United Kingdom. On the flight I managed to grab few hours sleep. I then flew on to Edinburgh in Scotland, eventually arriving at the hotel, where I had late dinner, then went to bed with plans to rise and leave by 4am the next morning.

From Edinburgh I headed for the Isle of Skye by car. On the way, I headed for Steall Falls situated in Ben Nevis near Fort William. It is recognised as the second highest waterfall in Britain. My aim was to have good photographic lighting conditions at all the places I planned to visit.

On the way, I was to quickly learn of several stark cultural differences from where I lived. Of course firstly, one needs to drive on the left hand side of the road, which I found not too difficult. However, not being used to roundabouts, I found these very challenging and there were many of them. The ones around the cities were the most confusing. But, I had a trusty GPS navigator, so I only missed a few turns. One really needs to know what you are doing on these roundabouts.

Next was the challenge of the narrow roads, especially around the countryside. The country lanes were so narrow and where I experienced trucks driving down the centre of the road, they became a major obstacle, as they did not slow down when approaching you. At times, the country roads were just single lanes, with the occasional pullouts to allow an oncoming vehicle to get by. (*these were originally old cart tracks*) Why did they leave them that way?

The countryside in Scotland and Ireland is beautiful, but not unique. It reminded me of California, though not the High Sierra areas I knew. The mountains are very high in some areas and similar to the Napa Valley. The Californian coast and the Sierra foothills looked similar as well.

I didn't feel I was in a foreign country. These first few days I was alone, as I had arranged for the rest of the family to meet up with me in couple of days time.

I arrived at the Steall Falls trail on time, but there were others there

already. So I quickly made tracks for the lower Falls. It has one of the best low level short walks in Scotland. After this, I then headed for the larger Falls and wasn't disappointed. The views of the waterfalls across the river were amazing.

The river crossing itself is most definitely quite unique. It is a high three cable crossing, triangular in shape with two upper level cables for the hands and a lower one for walking across. Time was of the essence, and the cable crossing looked challenging, so I rock hopped across, wetting my feet in the process. But that didn't daunt me from rushing up to the Falls to take photographs from many different angles. What a marvelous set of Falls! The most spectacular I witnessed over the whole trip.



Steall Falls, Glen Nevis, Scotland



*The Nevis Gorge cable bridge
- Photo by SebM86 2018
'Travago'*

On the way back, I used the cable crossing. It wasn't easy, as the wind was blowing me around quite a bit. It was freaky! I returned to collect my camera, then waded across, which was much easier. The second hike for the day was Ince Falls. Very scenic.



However the sun was behind the clouds and it was the only set of waterfalls on this trip with bad lighting. Other than this, the weather was perfect for the rest of the time.

On leaving the Falls, I drove back to the Lodge in Uig on the Isle of Skye for a two nights stay, before continuing the vacation to the many waterfalls around these two countries.

On Good Friday, I drove to the eastern side of Skye and in the evening, I made it to Mealt Falls. A magnificent and dramatic waterfall flowing off a cliff to the ocean below.

***Your input . . . Where in the world are you?
Maybe you have some of your Scottish travel
pictures to share?***

Simply e-mail your copy to editor@turnbullclan.com

A REVIEW OF DAVID WEINCZOK'S BOOK 'THE HISTORY BEHIND GAME OF THRONES: THE NORTH REMEMBERS.'

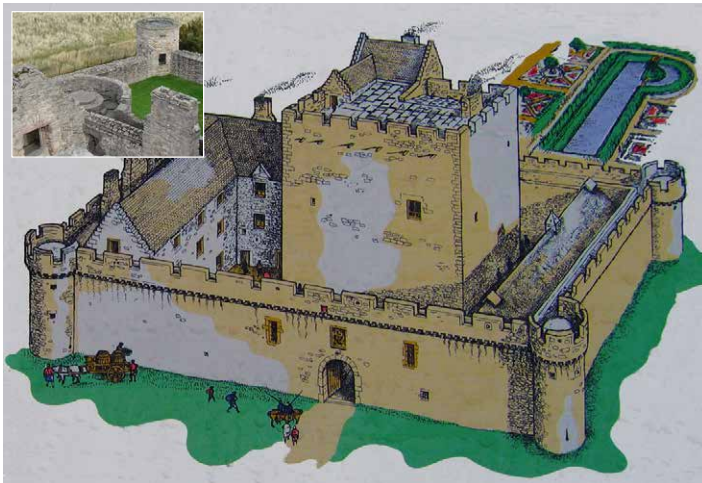
If ever there was a major tourism promotion going beckoning for Scotland, it surely must be through the influence of the gripping television series, 'Game of Thrones'.

Mixed with fact, fiction, even legends and the magnetism of fantasy, it has memorised and stirred all of these things in the minds of those who have watched through the series.

The magnificent backdrop settings throughout the series, also vividly and effectively show the dramatic, rugged and spectacular Scottish lands.

So, where did it all start? The author, G.G. Martin, a historian who once stood on the 2000 year old Hadrian's Wall ruins in northern England, envisaged the brutal realities and conjured up imagined adventures and dramas of the past.

On reflection, he has perhaps unintentionally promoted and stimulated the wealth of today's tourism. Since the series began, an increased influx of many more tourists have visited these historic castles, monuments and battlefield sites around Scotland.



Winterfall castle - based on the Craigmillar castle layout above, as it might have looked in 1566 *Inset: The ruins today.*

The background to the story includes a vast amount of histories, both with heroes and villains through a mixture of barbarism and early civilisations. There are dramas within the dynasties as well as love and romance interwoven throughout the series. The players were given a name, not as Scots but as 'Wildings'.

Perhaps Martin was relating to the Picts civilisation of earlier times, as they were known to rule the countryside with their unconventional fighting tactics. Martin also uses the power of fantasy in us all, to allow the imagined senses of expected adventure.

Commentary based on the author's summary

Inside Doune castle's dining hall today



There have been scenes included where bloody events for the viewers show shock reality to the extreme. The 'Red Wedding' exploits this, based on the medieval warfares including the Battle of Glencoe in 1692 and the Black Dinner of 1440, where the sacred principle of 'guests right' which guaranteed safety for both guests and host. But through the course of events, this was ruthlessly betrayed as a treacherous act by the host.



Doune Castle - One of the best preserved Scottish medieval castles

Castle settings played a major role in the series. One, Doune Castle near Stirling, is used for the courtyards of the imaginary Winterfell Castle. Further south, Craigmillar Castle which was built on a rocky bluff in Edinburgh, also features as the identical miniature version of Winterfell. Craigmillar Castle is a complete version with a central tower and several courtyards.

Scotland's rugged landmass also shows some spectacular scenery. This includes a natural invasion restriction around Stirling, known as the divide between the Highlands and the Lowlands. The divide has been conveniently included and identified in the series as 'The Neck'. The wars between the north and the south were played at several historic sites, including Bannockburn and Stirling Bridge.

The Game of Thrones has indeed, been a major injection to Scotland and its very colourful history.

Tourism is now the main benefactor from this series and continues to influence those to visit the heritage sites where the scenes were shot and capturing those with sheer curiosity.

SCOTLAND'S INVENTIONS – ULTRASOUND SCANNER

Compiled by Kenneth Turnbull

It is interesting to note that bats use ultrasound waves to navigate around in the darkness and fish also have the advantage of ultrasound for navigation in deep water. So what has this to do with a human pregnancy?

It was the inventor, Ian Donald, Professor of Midwifery at Glasgow University who, through his foresight, has played an important role in the lives of many who were born in the last few decades throughout the world. As a precursor, he invented the ultrasound scanner, in the 1950's. Parents now have the advantage and privilege of seeing their unborn child developing in the womb. His early invention of a respirator for new-born babies was the first hint of his prowess.

With developing new technologies he had observed in his RAF days with sonar navigation, his thoughts turned to a device being used to find flaws in metal at an engineering workshop.

His theory was to use this concept to scan over the human skin to reveal anything that might be abnormal, such a tumours. His theory was correct and so the ultrasound scanner became a reality. A prototype was developed by a Glasgow based electronics company, Kelvin Hughes in 1957 and by the next year 'The Lancet', a leading Medical Journal, rated the invention as a success. It soon became an important addition to the medical fraternity in detecting many ailments, including cancer. Professor Donald was awarded many awards and honours for his contribution to medical science. The Ultrasound Scanner has now become a permanent fixture in maternity wards around the world.



Professor Ian Donald is seated here with an early model of the Ultrasound Scanner.
- Photo; Public Domain



DID YOU KNOW . . .

- *Fifty years ago, Neil Armstrong became the first man to step onto the moon's surface. Interestingly, he was in fact a descendant of a Scottish reiver. Three years after his epic achievement, he made a visit to Edinburgh, and more importantly to Langholm in the borderlands from where his ancestors hail. A 'Lunar Tartan' for commemorating 50 years was created to mark the landing.*
- *On the 5th August 1695, the Scottish Parliament established the first General Post Office.*

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