

CLAN AGM HELD AT STONE MOUNTAIN HIGHLAND GAMES

By Brittany Turnbull

The weather was perfect! Cold enough for a hot chocolate and a Scotch Egg for breakfast and warm in the afternoon for Fish and Chips and Scotch whisky (Thanks to the sponsor 'Dewar's').

The Turnbull Clan Association celebrated Scottish Heritage at the 50th Annual Stone Mountain Highland games and conducted a virtual AGM for 2022!

During the festivities, we were able to announce our first two TCA scholarships to Miss Vivian Turnbull (*pursuing college double major*) and Miss Lilly Trimble (*pursuing Highland Dance*).



Wyatt, Darin, Luke, Houston and Jill Trimble

Lilly as a competitor, was highly praised as the 2nd place winner in overall dance competitions!

We were also pleased to announce our TCA Clan Member of the Year, Katherine Turnbull, for her invaluable and continued efforts to support the TCA DNA project, tent hosting and other events, while she shares Turnbull History around the globe. Our congratulations to those ladies!



Lilly Trimble the first of two new recipients is presented with her TCA Scholarship Award

START PLANNING FOR THE 2023 CLAN GATHERING IN SCOTLAND

Turnbells! The time has come to begin planning our next clan gathering in Scotland!

For those of you who have joined us on previous tours . . . what were your favourite sites to see? To those who have not been on a Turnbull tour . . . what would you most like to see?

Dates have not yet been finalised, but we are planning for 2023. More information will be posted in the coming months.



We were also elated to cheer on our very own Luke Trimble competing in the Clan Challenge clad in gorgeous Dress Tartan! Luke won 2nd overall in a myriad of challenges; Caber Toss, Weight Throw, Stone Throw and Sheaf Toss! He competed in the "Clan Challenge Amateur under 18".

Though there were many times of peace, there was one time at war! Clan Turnbull teamed up with Clan Irwin to retrieve the coveted 'Stuffed Unicorn' for the '12 Clan Unicorn Challenge' to defend against Clan Montgomery.

We want to thank all our many visitors, and our tent hosts, Walter and Brittany Turnbull, as well as Darin and Jill Trimble. Collectively TCA received donations of \$1200.00 USD.

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Celebrating something or an event to share?

How about submitting a photo of your celebration or an event that you'd like to share with the 2,500+ Turnbull Clan readers, please let us know. We'd love to share.

Send photos and information or stories of your adventures to the editor@turnbullclan.com





Flowers of the Forest Remembering

William Robert Jolyon Turnbull

25th January 1956 - 31st August 2022 Aged 66

**Popular former English
Breakfast presenter saved
many lives**

Bill Turnbull, the much-loved former presenter of BBC Breakfast, has died at the age of 66.

In 2016, he joined Classic FM as a presenter - and he also commented on matches at his beloved Wycombe Wanderers.

In November 2017, Bill Turnbull took part in a celebrity edition of *'The Great British Bake Off'*. The show was in aid of a charity, *'Stand Up to Cancer'*. However, during filming, he also found he had the disease himself.

He admitted that the disease had taken him and his family "to a dark place", and he found work a welcome release. His experience with prostate cancer prompted him to talk about it publicly in the hope it would help other people.

In 2018 he announced he had prostate cancer, taking part in programmes highlighting the signs of the disease.

He had been suffering from pains in his legs but hadn't wanted to bother his doctor. Eventually, his son persuaded him to take a blood test.

At the end of the show, Turnbull broadcast an emotional message. He explained that his prostate cancer was terminal and had already spread to his bones. Within months, the number of men seeking a test for the condition increased by 250%.

Early diagnosis, he used to point out, was vital. Men diagnosed late have just a 22% chance of surviving for 10 years. If caught at an early stage, that rises to 98%.

After Turnbull's programme on the subject, he got many emails from those who'd been inspired to get themselves checked.

According to Public Health England, there were 49,029 cases of prostate cancer diagnosed in 2018 - an increase of 7,828 on the previous year. Many of those cases were treatable.

The honesty, bravery, and public way that he dealt with his cancer will ensure memories are fonder than that.

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Flowers of the Forest Remembering

Gail Turnbull Stratemeier

25th April 1950 - 17th September 2022 Aged 72

With great sadness, Gail Robbin Stratemeier, 72, of North Providence, Rhode Island has departed peacefully from this world to join her late husband Bill.

She was surrounded by loved ones and heard her grandkids' last "I love you" and a song sung by one of her granddaughters, "Twinkle Little Star". She is survived by her two sisters, Barbara and Cheryl; nieces Cassi and Elizabeth, nephews Kyle, Danny, her son, William Warren, his wife Christine and her four adoring grandchildren who kept her on her toes; Isabella 14, London 8, Ava 5 and Emma 5,

Gail was born to Andrew and Doris Turnbull on 25th April, 1950, in Perth Amboy, New Jersey. She graduated from Madison Township High and attended nursing school while raising her son with her husband Bill.

She was a strong woman who advocated for others and was very organized. Gail made sacrifices for her family and put others' needs first before herself. If there was an obstacle, she ran through it to accomplish what she wanted in life. She was a nurse, mother, wife and a businesswoman in the Medical Field and dreamt of moving to New York City after her beloved husband passed away.

Gail had a couple of successful careers. One of them as a director of Clinical Systems at the New York University and at the Medical Center. A couple of years later, she decided to retire and resided in Quincy, Massachusetts, before being diagnosed with lung cancer. She was in remission for five years and then the tumor came back.

Cancer did not stop Gail from what she loved doing; crafting, travelling to Disney with her 2 eldest grandchildren and going to Germany. She attended the Turnbull Reunion in Scotland including seeking a long distant drunken old relative wearing a kilt. She also travelled to Pennsylvania to visit her dear friends, and enjoyed snuggling with her grandkids holding a 'Dunkin Donut' ice coffee in her hands.



INTERESTED IN TENT HOSTING?

"We can help get you get started with brochures, banners, posters and encouragement, please contact me."

At this stage though, we are limited to USA and Canada only, as resources are limited to costs. Hosting a clan tent is a lot of fun, educational, and very entertaining.

If you know of any other upcoming Highland Games where TCA can tent host, please contact Katherine at . . . katturnbull01@gmail.com - TCA VP for Events. The Highland games season is once again, upon us.



**Katherine
Turnbull**

BULLSEYE

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Congratulations to Rick Turnbull in Ontario, Canada, who has now earned the bragging rights as the first to find the little bull.

• Can you find the other hidden 'Bullseye Bull' in this issue?

HIGHLAND GAMES EVENTS

The Turnbull Clan was well represented at the Longs Peak Highland Games festival on 14th September. The TCA Tent hosts were Helen and Jeff Goody.



Longs Peak Highland Games in Estes Park, Colorado, USA.. Claiming to be the Celtic Capital of North America. Thank you to long time tent hosts Helen and Jeff for your great work.

Can you help to find a Scottish link?

A fellow clan member is looking for information showing a link between the Scots and La Rochelle, France for an upcoming book. His research shows that during the 100 year war in the 14th century a group of Scots travelled to La Rochelle.

If you have any information, please email to the editor at . . .

editor@turnbullclan.com.

GENEALOGY RESEARCH NEWS



Fiona Turnbull has now been appointed project administrator for the Trimble/Turnbull DNA project at FTDNA.

"The project had been in limbo and no new participants have been added in almost a year. We currently have over 100 participants and I will get started on revamping the info shortly".

About us . . .

TURNBULL, TRIMBLE, TREMBLE, TRIMBEL, TRUMBLE, TRUMBULL, and any other reasonable spelling variations are welcome to join the project. While this is primarily a Ydna project, anyone with Trimble/Turnbull heritage is welcome to join.

We are currently looking at ways to group both autosomal and Ydna results together. To participate meaningfully, testees will need to share their ancestry back to the earliest known TRIMBLE/etc., with a pedigree (excluding living persons) using the tree utility.

This project hopes to establish the relationships among people with the surname Trimble, Trumble or Turnbull and their variants.

While a surname itself may give us incomplete or misleading or, at best, only general information about the origin of a family, DNA-testing can give us concrete evidence for identifying and separating family lines. Y-chromosome DNA testing is especially helpful because the male Y-chromosome is handed down, father to son, unchanged through the generations, except for rare mutations which, in themselves, can be helpful indicators of branching.

While this project is primarily concerned with Ydna, it is open to others with a connection through Mtdna or autosomal testing (Family Finder) as we are now creating groups that match autosomal and Ydna results.

The accessibility and affordability of family DNA testing is doubtless the greatest technical advance in the history of genealogical research because -- at long, long last -- we have a tool to break down those brick walls!

- Fiona Turnbull

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TURNBULL CLAN AT THE STONE MOUNTAIN HIGHLAND GAMES

A few images of the TCA members . . . including (centre) Luke Trimble (14 from Alabama) who made Turnbolls proud as an amateur contender in the Stone Mountain Highland Games. Katherine Turnbull from Virginia, also shared the spot-light (bottom right image) with the 2021 Clan Member of the Year, for her continued effort in promoting the TCA.



Darin, Luke, Jill & Wyatt Trimble, Mary & Sandy Turnbull, Teeq Hill, Chloe Turnbull, Walter & Brittany Turnbull, and Chad Turnbull



Fourteen year old competitor, Luke Trimble



Walter Turnbull with Pauline Cumming and Lilly Trimble



*FRONT: Katherine Turnbull, Marry Turnbull, Pam Turnbull
BACK: Chad Turnbull, Brittany Turnbull, Jill Trimble, Chloe Turnbull, Darin Trimble, Luke Trimble, Walter Turnbull, Wyatt & Houston Trimble, Sandy Turnbull*



Pam Turnbull, Katherine Turnbull and Walter Turnbull

FIRST TCA SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS ANNOUNCED

TCA is pleased to announce the 2022 recipients of the newly established Turnbull Clan Scholarships. This year two scholarships were awarded. Each recipient will receive \$500.00



Lilly Trimble is the recipient of the Dr. Eleanor Jane Turnbull scholarship. Lilly is eleven years old and has been studying and performing Scottish Highland Dancing since she was eight, following in her Scottish mother's shoes. Lilly has won awards for her dancing, performing at various venues, including Highland games. She also had the privilege of performing in Scotland. Lilly plans to use the scholarship toward her lessons. She resides in Orlando, Florida.

Lilly says, "Scottish Highland Dance provides a lot of opportunity to meet people and travel and compete all over the country and world. I am excited to be a part of Clan Turnbull and learn about family history and meet others that are a part of the Turnbull/Trimble Clan. Dancing allows me to share this with so many people.

Congratulations, Lilly!



Vivian Turnbull received the Turnbull Clan Scholarship to continue her academic studies. Vivian is from San Pedro, California. She is a second-year student, where is pursuing a double major in rhetoric and public address and politics at Hillsdale College, Michigan.

Vivian says "A college education made possible by scholarships like this one will allow me to give back to my community. By learning about public policy and our economy, I will be able to understand the factors surrounding issues like homelessness which are so prevalent in my community... I will be a servant of the people and an advocate for those who can't speak up for themselves... And in the meantime, I'll keep telling the story of good 'ole William of Rule."

Congratulations, Vivian!

ABOUT THE DR. ELEANOR JANE TURNBULL SCHOLARSHIP:

The Eleanor Turnbull scholarship was made possible through her children, who donated in her memory. You may honour a family member or special person in your life with a \$500 donation to the scholarship fund. Donations may be made online at www.turnbullclan.com special project. You will be contacted to provide information about the honoree.

The Dr. Eleanor Jane Turnbull scholarship is awarded in memory of the life of Eleanor Turnbull. (August 1924-October 2020). Eleanor Turnbull knew at an early age that God was going to use her. At the age of twenty, Eleanor Holdeman travelled to Haiti to visit her mother, who was serving as a missionary nurse. Eleanor was preparing to leave to be a bush pilot with Christian missions in Africa, being one of the first women to earn a pilot's license. While in Haiti, she met Wallace Turnbull, and one year later, they were married. She spent the next 72 years of her life working and living among the Haitian people.

In addition to her work in rural education, Eleanor became one of the most respected hospital administrators and medical influencers in the country, working to introduce mobile clinics and family planning in rural communities. Among her many awards for her work and service, Eleanor was decorated as a Grand Officer of the Department of Public Health.

In responding to a question about her accomplishments near the end of her life, Eleanor said, "All this, it's all His. It all comes down to obedience. God called me to Haiti, not to build all this, but to be obedient."

The Turnbull Clan Scholarship is awarded annually. Applications are now being accepted for 2023. All ages are encouraged to apply and will be considered. The application deadline is the 1st April, 2023.

Follow the online directions at: <https://www.turnbullclan.com/happenings/tca-scholarship>



Part Two . . . Report sent by Professor Jane Bower, FRSE, Project Manager, 12 Towers of Rule programme

ARCHAEOLOGY EVALUATION - BEDRULE HERITAGE PROJECT 2021

Participation at the Bedrule 'Dig'

Following on from the Twelve Towers of Rule Adopt-a-Monument project, extra funding was secured by The Campaign for a Scottish Borders National Park from the Scottish Borders Council's Build Back a Better Borders fund to organise a 10-day excavation of the 13th century Bedrule Castle, along with 5 accompanying workshops covering archaeological methods.

The Towers of Rule project began in 2020 and local volunteers have been identifying, recording and researching sites within the Rule Water area which are associated with the Rough Wooing conflict of the 16th century.

In 2021, a topographical survey of the earthwork remains of the castle was undertaken in addition with surveying at the nearby Fulton Tower. Both sites are mentioned in a dispatch letter by the Earl of Hertford to Henry VIII detailing places burned during an English raid in September 1545.

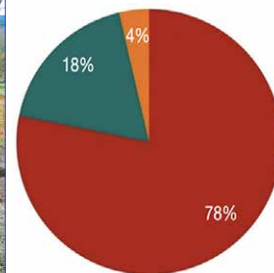
The excavation took place in partnership with 23 local volunteers, supported by the Campaign for the Scottish Borders National Park (CSBNP) who put in 59 hours of individual volunteering. 5 of these volunteers were returning to the 12T project, building upon skills developed during survey work in 2020 and 2021. Other volunteers had previous archaeological experience gained more experience on a new site.

A key element of the excavation was the programme of 8 Attainment through Archaeology workshops that ran throughout the excavation. (See Appendix AtA) Workshop duration varied between 2 hours and 5 hours 30 minutes, with group size varying between 7 and 35. In total 113 young people and 16 adults participated in these sessions. 104 of these young people came from 7 local secondary schools in workshops facilitated with the help of Developing Young Workforce Scotland.

A group of 9 young people from the Berwickshire Young Archaeologists Club also participated in the excavation. These workshops ensured open access to the dig for a wider range of the local community and offered skills development opportunities through participation in archaeological fieldwork for the young people involved.

Over the course of the BHP, Archaeology Scotland was able to engage with young people through DYW and 23 local volunteers providing them with the opportunity to be learn new skills and actively engage with the archaeology and history of Bedrule Castle. At a time where life for many was uncertain and stressful during the pandemic, the project provided some respite and opportunity for enjoyment and socialising – "Thank you, all, for such a great three days digging.

What an enjoyable experience." One volunteer commented, "I



Appendix AtA

Student activity: • Digging: 78% • Gravestone recording: 18%
• Historic building recording: 4%

have enjoyed the last couple of days and have learned new skills. Your inclusive approach is really positive, I knew very little when I first came on site. Thank you."

The aims of the project

- To evaluate the below surface archaeology of Bedrule Castle.
- To engage volunteers in the upkeep, research and conservation of the site
- To widen activity of archaeology of the Scottish Borders.

Benefits for heritage

- Increased knowledge of the Bedrule Castle Site
- A more informed maintenance and conservation plan can be created.
- An interpretation plan for the site can be created.
- Will enhance the record of Bedrule Castle and improve the local and national monument registers.
- Will allow for the monuments to be accurately monitored in the future.
- Wider understanding of Bedrule and acknowledgement of the rich history of the area.

Benefits for people

- 23 volunteers and 113 young people were actively involved with the project, and represented a mix of people from different backgrounds across the region.
- Opportunity for people from non-traditional audiences to be actively involved in a heritage project.
- Opportunity for people from non-traditional audiences to learn more about their local historic environment.
- Skills development.
- Excavation and fieldwork provide great mindfulness and wellbeing outcomes. Occurring as the UK reduced Covid-19 restrictions the excavation was a great opportunity for people to get out and see each other.
- Networking between different Scottish Borders groups/organisations was noted.

Lessons learnt

- A good project plan (created by The Campaign for a Scottish Borders National Park) provides a good basis for community engagement and a great way to engage schools.
- Large numbers of school groups and other volunteers can be engaged in a short amount of time with the right planning and organisation.

The 2022 Excavation Roundup details - next edition



DAVIDSON/TURNBULL REUNION AT DECKERVILLE

The Davidson – Turnbull Reunion was held Sunday 14 Aug 2022, at Wilson Park, Deckerville, Michigan with over 100 attending from Florida, Texas, Indiana, New York, and all across the state of Michigan in USA.

Noah Davidson and Theodosia Turnbull both came to the Deckerville area with their families from Canada in the 1880s /1890s. Robert Davidson and son Noah arrived in the spring of 1881; about 8 months after the railroad came to Deckerville and Cedardale, but only 4 months before the Great Thumb Fire of 1881, which they barely survived.

Jacob Turnbull settled in Palms in 1892 with daughter Theodosia and others, after working on the historic submarine RR tunnel from Sarnia to Port Huron, completed that year.

There is a connection between Davidsons / Turnbolls and the Van Sickles who lived “across the road”, 3 miles North of Deckerville. (The annual Van Sickle Reunion was reported in the Aug 10 edition.) Robert, Noah and others moved first into that house. Noah travelled to Bozeman, Montana for 2 years and returned to Cedardale in 1893 to build the Davidson farm and homestead just to the North. Van Sickles and the 9 Davidson children were ‘neighbourhood kids’ together.

The Jan 1898 Wedding of Noah and Theodosia was followed by the Jacob Turnbull family moving in to Robert Davidson’s former dwelling, immediately to the south.

Davidson descendants at the Reunion included the families of 2 sons and 9 sisters, including those of Cliff Davidson, Edna O’Connell,



The reunion gathering of the Davidsons, the Turnbolls and many family relatives

Ethel Pettengill, Bessie Fritch, Mary Hendry, Rosamond Buhl, Joy Bryce, Wilma Hoxsie, and Bill Davidson. A large group from the Pettengill/Mieras clan was a last-minute cancellation due to illness. Among the largest groups were those of the sons of Cliff Davidson, Bob and Jim, including the Cooneys, Jollys, States, and the last of this generation of Davidsons, Rosamond Buhl, passed away in 2018, at the age of 105.

The Turnbull name now resides in Florida, with Jacob’s descendants Randy, R. Gary, and Bryan. The family of descendant families Cripps, Thayer, and Bohms were present. Howard and Maurice Turnbull were well known names in Deckerville. Several of their descendants were last minute cancels due to the Covid-19 virus. However, Randy Turnbull attended.



Fiona Turnbull

The last Turnbull of that generation, Theodosia Bohms, passed away in 2020 at age 102.

Robert A. Davidson had many daughters, connecting the family to the Shoebottoms, McHardys, McLaurins, Moirs, Swails, Peaslees and Aichorns. Most of these stayed in Canada or went to copper country. However, the marriage of Elizabeth Davidson to Thomas Evans literally gave birth to Deckerville families: Thayer, Darlington, Burgess, Young, Dawe, Cleland, Hooper, MacDonald, Simmons, Burgett, Lincoln, Tanton, Hurley, Brown, Thompson, Foster, Wheaton, – it appears that we seem to be related to half the town.

The Stapletons of Devon, England joined Robert Davidson from Uxbridge to Wellburn, and it was Mary’s brother Arthur who first came to Sanilac County in the 1860’s, in Buel Township, near Lexington.

Noah Davidson’s homestead farm remains in the family with Randy Davidson for 125 years since its creation in 1897, 3 miles North of Deckerville.

The catering by Culinary Customs LLC was enjoyed by all, and everyone received a “keepsake” cup of the event, detailing the origins of both families.

Family genealogists were at work, with lists of descendants and detailed narratives of the Davidsons of Scotland and Turnbolls of Gateshead, with Lynda Bryce adding to her voluminous, carefully documented citations and photo, which now require 20 feet of shelf space for the 3 ring binders.

A highlight of the reunion was a Zoom call from Scotland. Fiona Turnbull, of Oban Scotland, is the administrator for Family Tree DNA (FTDNA) Group of Turnbull-Trimble-Trumble; a list of about 500. Fiona is an experienced genealogist. She provided superb hints for Scottish genealogy and had specific references to both the Turnbolls as well as the Davidson’s whose orphaned origins have presented a mystery. The address combined with the PowerPoint presentations were recorded and saved on a private YouTube site for access to the family.

Copy supplied by Bob Buhl

NEW TABLE TOP REPLICA

Turnbull Clan Association is excited to offer a table top replica of the Turning of the Bull monument in exchange for a donation to TCA. These replica’s are artist quality bronze replica’s placed on a stained wooden mount.

Donations will be used for future monument upkeep and the numerous TCA projects promoting Turnbolls worldwide.

Donations of \$1650 or more will receive a 6”x9”x6” cast bronze artist replica. Donations of \$2475 or more will receive a 9”x11”x9” cast bronze artist replica.

For more information, please contact
communications@turnbullclan.com

These are hand-made, hand cast and from the original monument in Hawick, Scotland. This project was a commission by an artist who dedicated years of her life and provided her unique ability for this Turnbull project on display in Hawick.



Scotland - Appointed as Senator

Sheriff Principal Craig Turnbull is to be appointed as a Senator of the College of Justice next year.

On his appointment, Sheriff Principal Aisha Anwar, currently the sheriff principal of South Strathclyde, Dumfries and Galloway, will transfer to his current Sheriffdom of Glasgow and Strathkelvin. The Scottish Courts & Tribunals Service. Both moves will take effect May 2023.

USA - Top prize Carnival 2022

Glen A. Fahie Turnbull, the co-band leader and president of the Brooklyn-based D'Midas International New York, had predicted that his mas band would capture the top prizes in the 2022 West Indian American Carnival. Fahie Turnbull himself carried a huge costume, "The Magnificent", eventually winning Adult King of Carnival 2022 for D'Midas International, New York.

Ireland - Strength of character

Lord David Trimble, who died on 25 July at the Ulster Hospital near Belfast, after a short illness, He led the UUP

from 1995 to 2005 and was the first person to serve as first minister of Northern Ireland; instrumental in negotiations and signing of the Good Friday Agreement in 1998. As a unionist politician he was awarded the Nobel peace prize in 1998 for his efforts that embodied the violent sectarian world of Northern Ireland.



by Kenneth Turnbull - International News Editor

UK - Britain's 'priciest pork pie - truffle, caviar & gold

'Baker Phil' Turnbull at Turnbull's Northumbrian Food is offering up the limited-edition luxury snack as part of their annual



Pork Pie Festival. If you're partial to a pork pie, you'll need to have a fair amount of spare cash in your pocket to try this one - a single small pie will set you back £100. Just two of the limited-edition pies have been created in celebration of the butcher's annual Pork Pie Festival which returned in late August. Turnbull's Northumbrian Food in Alnwick, north-eastern England, is behind the luxury snack, which is made from the traditional ingredients of pork and pastry - complete with black summer truffle, beluga caviar and edible 24 carat gold.

Australia - Another great day for leading racing driver

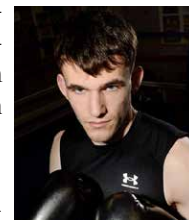
New South Wales' leading female harness racing driver Amanda Turnbull made the first day of Eugowra's TAB Carnival of Cups her own on Sunday afternoon in mid-September, winning five races including three heats of the Kriden Farms Canola Cup series. Two of her heat winners were fillies trained by her father Steve, who qualified three horses for the \$30,000 final in October. Bathurst's Amanda Turnbull has gained recognition in the top 10 in every eligible category. Turnbull's list of accolades was headed by her being named the leading female driver of the year in 2021 for the sixth year in a row. She also ranked third in the leading drivers, leading trainers and leading female 'Trainers' categories.

Australia - Racing alongside relatives in hand-built cars

Peter Turnbull has been building and racing cars as his lifeblood for as long as he can remember. Over many decades, he has handcrafted a vast array of cars that have been raced on tracks right across Australia. While Turnbull has lived and breathed the sport for most of his life, he took part in an opportunity that the veteran racer has never experienced before. "When I race now it's not so serious. I do it because I enjoy the speed and the people involved," he said. "There's nothing better than getting into a racing car, putting your seat belt and helmet on and racing. It's the best feeling."

**Australia - Migrants & disabled**

International people with a lifetime of skills and training emigrate to Australia and find their qualifications are not recognised and not considered for interviews because of a lack of written English skills. Sadly, these people often end up where they can only verbally apply for a job. To overcome this problem, Dr Turnbull has partnered with a Woolongong-based start up, enabling job seekers to demonstrate their skills and share their experiences through images, voice and video. Dr Turnbull designed the platform to assist employers to better understand the people who were applying for jobs.

**Scotland - Boxer packing a punch**

22-year-old Callum Turnbull, a Joiner by trade from Inverness, is aiming to notch up another victory in the super bantamweight contest, and another step closer to his dream of becoming a British champion. Callum Turnbull impressed when he won his first professional fight against Reiss Taylor in Inverness in April. Nicknamed Titanium, he won all six of his rounds.

Canada - Top coaching honour

The Coaches Association of Ontario (CAO) and Hydro One selected and presented 10 coaches from across the province with the Ontario Coaching Excellence Award. Local basketball coach Taryn Turnbull, from the Kingston Impact Basketball Club, received the prestigious honour in mid September at a private ceremony in Toronto. The awards recognise the importance of leadership, performance and the value of human insight which are all integral to great coaching; to inspire, innovate and share knowledge of sport with others.



QUEEN ELIZABETH II . . . AND HER LOVE FOR SCOTLAND

Compiled by Kenneth Turnbull - Editor

All photos via Wikimedia Commons

When the news of the death of Queen Elizabeth II on the 8th September, was broadcast, so ending her record breaking reign as a serving monarch. The Queen died peacefully at Balmoral Castle in Scotland with an ensuing worldwide outpouring of grief.

Crowds gathered in Scotland, outside Buckingham Palace and throughout the world to pay their tribute and share condolences.

With her passing, the world has lost a royal monarch of her stature which may not be seen again.

Over the span of seventy years as the reigning monarch of 32 sovereign states, Queen Elizabeth II gained admiration, affection and much respect as a stabilising influence with her sacrifice to duty, modesty and hard work.

Even before she became Queen, she had pledged *"My whole life, whether it be long or short, shall be devoted to your service."* This she managed to uphold, right unto the end.

Elizabeth held strong Royal connections on her father's side, tracing back to the ancient Stuart line of Scotland.

On her maternal side, the Queen's mother, Elizabeth Bowes Lyon, later known as The Queen Mother, was also Scottish; the daughter of Lord Glamis.

The young princess spent much of her childhood at Glamis Castle in Scotland, her father's ancestral home. Her younger sister Margaret, was the first Royal child to be born in Scotland since 1600.



Princess Elizabeth's portrait at the age of 7

However, significant and unexpected events arose that changed the family history. A year after King George V died in 1936, aged 70 his eldest son ascended the throne as Edward VIII.

Later that same year, he abdicated to marry an American socialite. It was then that the younger son George; Princess Elizabeth's father, inherited the throne (*reluctantly*) as King George VI. His eldest daughter, Princess Elizabeth then became next heir presumptive to the throne.

In 1945, Princess Elizabeth joined the Auxiliary Territorial Service and trained to become a driver and mechanic.

Then in 1947, while the world was recovering from the war, she married her sweetheart, Prince Philip Mountbatten, former Prince of Greece and Denmark. He was bestowed as Prince Philip, the Duke of Edinburgh.



THE END OF AN ERA

In February 1952, when Elizabeth was just twenty-five, her father unexpectedly died, aged 56. At the time, Elizabeth and Philip were in Kenya. Elizabeth as heir to the throne, had now become Queen Elizabeth II.

The following year in June 1953, her Coronation took place at Westminster Abbey in London.

During her reign, both the Duke and the Queen worked and travelled the world, visiting the many countries under the Commonwealth of Nations banner. During the summer months

the Queen and Prince Philip also stayed at Balmoral Castle in Scotland to carry out a range of official engagements and ceremonies.

In 1999, the newly devolved Scottish Parliament in Edinburgh was attended by the Queen. Lord Steel the presiding Officer commented, *"It is good that today, once again, we the elected representatives of the people are able to welcome your majesty, not only as Queen of the United Kingdom, but seated as you are among us, to greet you in the historic and constitutionally correct manner, with warmth and affection, as Queen of Scots."* Of interest, the Scottish National Party President wrote to the Queen asking her to adopt the title **'Elizabeth I'** in Scotland.



Queen Elizabeth's last portrait at the age of 96

With the Queen's passing, her son, now King Charles III had previously made mention about his mother's love for Scotland, exclaiming the Queen had *"found in the hills of this land, and the hearts of its people, a haven and a home"*.

Three days after her death, her coffin travelled from Balmoral Castle to Holyroodhouse, before being taken to St. Giles' Cathedral on the Royal Mile in Edinburgh. Many thousands of people visited the cathedral to pay their last respects to the much-loved monarch. The coffin then travelled to London for a second lying in state at Westminster.

The funeral service was televised worldwide to an estimated 2 billion viewers as a rare and grand occasion. The Queen's personal Piper also played at Westminster Cathedral and at Windsor Castle where she was laid to rest.

SCOTTISH HIGHLAND DANCING IS MY PASSION – LILLY TRIMBLE



At the Ohio Highland Games, USA

by Lilly Trimble

My name is Lilly Trimble, I am 11 years old and I have been doing Scottish Highland Dancing since I was 8 years old, under Kathryn Austin at The 'Center for Dance and Performing Arts' in Oakland, Florida, USA.

I became interested in Highland Dance as my mother is from Scotland and she danced when she was very young. As a Trimble my dad also has Scottish heritage.

I have been attending Scottish Highland Games since I was only a few months old. I enjoy performing at events such as Burn's Night Suppers, Tartan Days and International Carnivals and I love competing in Highland Dance events. I really enjoy sharing my love for all things Scottish and of course, Highland dance in particular.

I started competing as a beginner level dancer when I was 9 years old. Then competitions shut down due to the Covid-19 virus. It was a very strange time, especially not being able to be a part of my dance group. However, our teacher pivoted classes online to Zoom and we all connected and continued to dance and build skills and technique. In July of 2021, we were finally able to compete again.

At my first competition, I won the age group trophy for both Highland and National dances. My teacher moved me up to Novice, based on my accomplishments and hard work. From October 2021 to February 2022, I competed as 'Novice', winning 1st, 2nd & 3rd places, age group trophies and also Most Promising Novice Awards.

Over the past 6 months, I have moved up from Novice to Intermediate and am getting ready to move up to Premier level, which is the highest level of dancer you can be.

Did you know? THE EDINBURGH TATTOO ...

The Edinburgh Tattoo has been set up and run for charitable purposes and takes place at Edinburgh Castle's Esplanade. The Tattoo has been on show since 1950 with annual performances, until the Covid pandemic caused cancellation in 2020.

The Tattoo returned this year in August after a two-year pause. Over the years the event has raised millions of pounds for both service and civilian causes.

Each year around 200,000 people watch the live performances at Edinburgh Castle, with a further million people watching the event on television around the world.

The customary famous anthem by Robert Burns, **Auld Lang Syne**, is played at the end of each performance, with a march by the Pipers down the Royal Mile.



At the Burntisland Games in Scotland



Loch Norman Highland Games in North Carolina, USA.

This summer I went to Scotland with my Grandma and Mum and I was able to attend two Highland Games. I competed at both.

It was a great experience to see the similarities and differences between the competitions in the USA and in Scotland. It was also amazing to have my family attend,

as they have never seen me compete in the United States. I also walked away with some really nice medals. It was great to come back home sharing my experience with my dance friends.

My goal for the next year is to qualify at regionals in Savannah, Georgia, and be able to represent the Southeast region in the United States Inter-regional National Competition.

