

The Tartan



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~ Dunollie ~

An unexpected boon - a white hulled brigantine with staysails set is coming through the thoroughfare between the Maiden Island and the clifted spine of Kerrera's Rubha a'Bhearnaig. She slides past Oban's upper waterfront of church spires and hotels to join the boats riding at anchor and the island ships moored to the harbor's piers.

Saint Michael's Craig which rises at the foot of Dunollie's heights is now in view. A few more steps and there is Dunollie Castle. A MacDougall is bound to be prejudiced, but it was Sir Walter Scott who wrote "Nothing can be more wildly beautiful than the situation of Dunollie."

There rises the square tower upon the top of that mass of volcanic rock thrust up in ages past and formed as if intended for fortification.

Walter M. Macdougall, *Journeying in MacDougall Country*



Cover photo: John A. MacDougall, Naples FL



The Editor's Desk

by Pat McDougal

Where Are The MacDougall's?

Looking on the internet for the very important list of Highland games and festivals where MacDougall tents are set up and I found only one! David, the web master, has deleted the entire list. Then I noticed his request for the Commissioners to give updated information for the up-coming games. Nothing has happened on this page as this deadline draws to a close and I am frightened by these prospects.

If you know of a game in your area, send an e-mail to your Regional Commissioner or our web master and give him this very important information. davidm@charleston.net.

St. Andrews, Robert Burns, and Tartan Days has been well celebrated by one and all this year. Tartan Day, a day for all the lovely tartan to appear on all who wish to wear it on April 6, 7, or 8. Hope you make it a bright week-end.

Make your State or Regional Commissioner wonder what you're up to this year and give them some help.

Yours aye,
Pat



Corrections:

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This is a photo of Elizabeth and Bruce



McClintock who were mistakenly identified as the couple in the upper corner photo of the center

spread (vol. 35#3).



Scot donates D-Day pipes to museum

Associated Press

EDINBURGH, Scotland -- Bagpipes that stirred Allied troops on D-Day landed Tuesday in the National War Museum of Scotland, a donation from the man who played them under intense enemy fire.

Pvt. Bill Millin, the only man in the invasion wearing a kilt, bravely played the pipes during the 1st Commando Brigades' landing at Sword Beach. It became one of the enduring images of the Normandy invasion.

The instrument and Mr. Millin's British Royal Marines uniform previously hung at his home near Exeter, in southwestern England, but after his wife's recent death he decided to donate the memorabilia to ensure their preservation.

"I travel about a bit and I thought if anything happened to me I would be afraid whoever came to clear my house might not appreciate the value of these things," Mr. Millin said at the museum, located within Edinburgh Castle.

Museum curator Allan Carswell called the donation "one of the most important acquisition the museum has made in recent years."

Contributed by Clan Member E. Royal Degre (McDougall)



Appeal to all Clan MacDougall Society Members and Friends of Gylen Castle

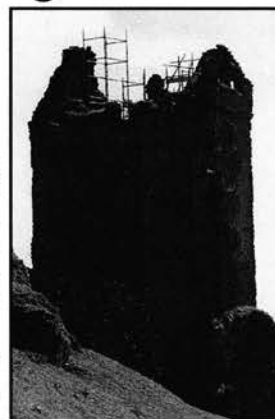
In 2000, William MacDougall of Arlington, VA, who is author of the widely respected biography of General Alexander MacDougall, finished writing a very interesting short history of Clan MacDougall. Bill has made the very generous offer to give all profits from the sale of this book to the Gylen Castle Repair Fund if we will publish and sell it.

The book is an informal history told through the real-life stories of clanspeople starting with Somerled, whose son Dougall founded the clan, and continuing with their notable descendants up to modern times--Crusaders, admirals, generals, government leaders, farmers, and teachers--even the chief of an Indian tribe in South America. The book is intended to be easy reading for everybody. The narrative contains accounts of many clansmen and women who left Scotland and emigrated to other parts of Europe, North American, South America, Africa, and Australia where their descendants are thriving today.

It would be very helpful in making our publishing plans if we could have some prepublication indication of interest in purchasing this book for approximately \$15.000 plus postage. You can do this by a quick note or e-mail to me at: 18 Teresa Dr., Mendon, MA 01756 macmendon@juno.com

Thank you so much,

Richard MacDougal, Past President
Chairman, Gylen Castle Repair Fund, NA



Oban Exchange Students Selected

Scotland Oban Exchange Program began in 1993 under local businessman Beacham McDougald and Tom Laurenson of Oban. Currently, Anne Stewart, a teacher at Oban High School, coordinates the project with McDougald.

Major financial and activity support is administered by the Laurinburg and Oban Rotary Clubs.

The selection committee that chose this year's students was comprised of Laurinburg Rotarian Clayton Brooks, McDavid, Shelley, Billy Hardy and former exchange student Katie Hammond. All of the applicants turned in written submissions and were interviewed in person.

Shelley said making the picks was not easy.

"The selection process was most difficult," she said. "All of the applicants will represent Scotland County in a positive manner, and it was hard to eliminate anyone."

In the end, the lucky 10 chosen were Shelley Blades, Mary Fulton, Nikki Garrison, Emmie Muse, Andrea Lammonds, Meredith Bell, Margaret Lytch, Erin Rush, Sarah McLean and Hunter Butler.

In October, they will return the favor for their hosts, letting the Scots visit them for two weeks.

"I'm excited about taking my first trip across the Atlantic," Hunter Butler said. "I want to go see some of the castles. Also, I think we'll get to go to London, which will be cool. I really want to see how things are over there."

"I've made friends with some of the Scots who came on past trips," he revealed. "(Oban High School teacher) Jeff Anderson came and talked with our scout troop. When the Oban students came in October, I went with them to Myrtle Beach, S.C., so I'm really looking forward to seeing them all again."

Clan MacDougall wishes you all a safe and happy time in Scotland.



The Tennessee Valley Scottish Society of Huntsville, Alabama presented it's annual Evening Celebration November 11, 2000. The Von Braun Center was the setting for the evening ceremonies that included the multi-talented Colin Grant-Adams. The Highland Dancers and Scottish Dancers performed during the Social hour. The Master of Ceremonies was Phil Johnson, President of the Society. The Welcome was given by Sibyl McDougald Wilkinson, Chairman and W. Troy McDougal gave the Address the Haggis. Two of the Past Presidents of this organization are Sibyl McDougald Wilkinson and Sarah McDougald Hereford.

Colin Grant-Adams accompanies himself on the guitar in a performance that includes singing both his original compositions and beloved Scottish ballads.

St. Andrew's Day is a celebration observed by Scots and persons of Scottish ancestry each November (30) to honor the patron Saint of Scotland. The evening was completed with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne." 🍷

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

by Mel E. McDougal



Greetings to the Clan Family
Here we are once again in the beginning of a new year, Nyla and I hope this finds all of you in our Clan Family well and seeing a bright new year.

As I have mentioned in the past edition, we have been traveling, and are presently in Lake Havasu, AZ. We thought we were coming down to the South West for a warm winter, boy were we mistaken, this has been one of the coolest winters for many years. We will be here until the 12th of February and will be on our way further South, will stop a spell in Casa Grande. From there, we will take in the Mesa Arizona games, we hope to see many of our South West Clan members and make this a very exciting event.

Games will be beginning all over the States, we are extending a welcome to all our MacDougall's, MacDowall's and names associated, to join in the festivities. I hate to keep beating the drums for our members to go out and seek other MacDougall's for membership, but we must to keep our organization breathing and active. Gather the kids together and get them interested in the various events of competition. Foremost, do not forget that our Clan has scholarships to give out, so develop a student's name for your area commissioners to submit for those awards.

Look up your commissioners and volunteer to assist them in the Clan tents at the Scottish Games and gatherings, they will be extremely happy to receive your assistance. You can also assist Pat, our *Tartan* editor, by submitting articles for others to view. We want to know what is going on about the country, such as special events, family information, deaths, births, awards etc., write to the *Tartan* editor and let everyone know your happiness and allow us to share your sorrows.

For those of you on the internet, be sure to check the Clan MacDougall.org web site. You will see lots of questions about the Clan, people and etc. You might be helpful to some, and be able to find some of those questions you might have answered. David MacDougall of Charleston net has been doing a great job keeping us on the net, and believe me he has his hands full. Thanks, David.

We are in need of information about your area, if you know of any Scottish event in your vicinity, let us know, we will put then in the *Tartan* and on the net. New brochures will be out soon with all the new changes, they will be available at the numerous Clan Tents.

We will be on the road shortly, and hope to meet with some of you at the various events about the country, we look forward to making new friendships,

until then, Slanti,

Mel McDougal

"Hey Kids"

When you attend the Highland games this year, ask the Regional Representatives for the "Clan MacDougall Coloring Book." It's been prepared by the Mid-Atlantic Region for all to enjoy. ☘



From "The Tartan Times" of the Illinois
St. Andrews Society
Sent by Jacqueline Dougall Smith

Society Members Honored at Annual Meeting

Keith McCullagh and **Jacqueline Smith** were named Clansman and Clanswoman for the year 2000 at the May 7 Society meeting. This honor, instituted for men in 1970 and for women in 1972, recognizes outstanding volunteers for the Scottish Home as well as ISAS.



Jacqueline Dougall Smith who just completed two terms as ISAS treasurer, was chosen not just for her service on the board, but for her leadership in so many other activities. She has served for several years on the Highland Games steering committee as well as working long hours at the Games and most other events, including the picnic. Jackie chaired this year's first annual Salute to Rabbie

Burns in her hometown of Lake Forest. She is presently helping establish a Scottish event as part of the Field Museum's Cultural Connections project.



Life member Keith McCullagh, shown here with his wife Lois, first became active in the Society in 1984, the same year that Lois was named Clanswoman. (Is that a coincidence?) The McCullaghs are generous and enthusiastic fundraisers for the Home who also can be counted upon to volunteer wherever needed. Keith has done everything from selling raffle tickets to manning the Society sale

tables at the Games. And he is always willing to show up at community events in his kilt!

Our thanks to two of our best. ☘

Clan Talk the newsletter of Clan MacDougall Society of Michigan

by Michael Donovan

We will have a clan tent at the St. Andrew's Games at Livonia, Michigan this year.



Last Memorial Day weekend was very cold and rainy at the Alma games. We did not meet many new people because of the weather so we decided not to return for the Sunday program.

At the end of August we went to Kalamazoo for their festival and had a good time at the clan tent. The weather was very warm and Mary Wolf, our Regional Commissioner, came up from Fort Wayne, Indiana for the games.

We hope soon to have golf shirts with the clan crest embroidered on the front. These will be for sale at the clan tents this summer. Enjoy the games of Michigan with us and get acquainted with fellow clanspeople. ☘

I'm tired!

For several years, I've been blaming it on middle age, iron poor blood, lack of vitamins, air pollution, saccharin, obesity, dieting, underarm odor, and a dozen other maladies that make you wonder if life is really worth living.

But now I found out, none of those are why I'm tired.

I'm tired because I'm overworked.

The population of this country is roughly 200 million; 84 million are retired, leaving 116 million to do the work.

There are 75 million in school, which leaves 41 million to do the work. Of this total, there are 22 million employed by the government.

That leaves 19 million to do the work.

4 million are in the Armed Forces, which leaves 15 million to do the work. Take from that the 14,800,000 people who work for the State and City Government and that leaves 200,000 to do the work. There are 199,998 in hospitals, so that leaves just two people to do all the work. You and me. And you're sitting there reading this!



NO WONDER I'M TIRED.



Gaelic Wedding Blessing

Mi\le fa\ilte dhuit le d'bhre/id, Fad do re/ gun robh thu sla\n.
Mo/ran la\ithean dhuit is si\th
Le d'mhaitheas is le d'ni\bhi fa\s.

~ Translation ~

"A thousand welcomes to you with your marriage veil,
may you be healthy all your days.
May you be blessed with long life and peace
may you grow old with goodness, and with riches."

Rev. Donald McLeod, 1760
Duirinish, Sky, Scotland



Births

Our Southern California Representative, Darleen Weisz and her husband Del are the proud grandparents of **Mia Rose Dorney**, born on October 21, to their daughter Karen and husband Kevin. Joining in the celebrating are fellow clansmen and Mia's great aunt and uncle, Dave and Diane McDowell."



On the fateful day of September 24, 2000, **Anne and John A. MacDougall** climbed the steep path and walked to the inner court of Dunollie Castle to observe the monument to Colonel Alexander MacDougall, 29th, Chief of the Clan.





FROM HIGHLAND GAMES & GATHERINGS

Stone Mountain Highland Games by John A. McDougal, Atlanta, GA

The annual Stone Mountain Highland Games were held on October 21st & 22nd, with weather that was ideal for the people that attended. It was cool enough in the morning to justify the Bloody Mary's that the Sponsor's tent so freely dispensed. The afternoons were ideal to do anything outdoors. As you would expect with weather like that, a large crowd came, and stayed awhile. It was great seeing old friends, and making new ones. SE Regional Commissioners, David & Carol McDougall of Charleston, SC set up the tent with well-practiced efficiency. A greatly appreciated assist at the tent came with Jim & Pat McDougal, Past SE Regional Commissioners from Ooltewah, TN. I noted that Bill Leroy from Frankfort, KY, also brought a few signs and banners that have been used here in the past. This was the 28th annual games at this location, and having been to most of them, I wouldn't hesitate to say that they are getting bigger. More Clans, more merchants, more people.

Also at the tent this year we had Andrew Fairley and Clair Vance. Andrew is a Border Singer from Scotland, and Clair Vance is a musician from Lexington, KY. Together they have produced a CD & Tape of Scottish music that are very good. Anyone interested can purchase the CDs or Tapes from Bill Leroy, our Secretary-Treasurer, whose address is in this newsletter. I have never heard "Annie Laurie" performed any better.

The Parade of Tartans on Sunday is always a highlight at Stone Mountain. Some years we have a large number in it. This year Clan MacDougall did not have a large number in the parade, but we had a lot of enthusiasm and got a lot of attention. We had pretty little Laurie Brown out front with the Clan MacDougall sign. Then the McClintocks of Mississippi carrying the large banner. Buzzy Bramble who for years carried the youngest member of the Clan in the parade, has stopped producing the youngest member each year. This year he marched with crutches. Due to a torn Achilles tendon in his left foot, his foot is in a cast. Ever try to march in step on crutches? It is a challenge. I won't say he stayed in step, but he was trying.

As you can see from the above, it isn't just an Atlanta, Georgia affair, folks come from all over the country. So mark it on your 2001 calendar for the 3rd weekend in October, plan on it, and come join with us. ☺



Estes Park Festival by Marta MacDougall

The Festival in Estes Park this year was great. I will send a report as soon as I have time to write something out. We had lots of interest--and found a few new members. We also had a blast enjoying all the sights, sounds, tastes etc! It's such wonderful family time together. We're all so very proud of our heritage! ☺

Heartland Region by Mary MacDougall Wolf, Heartland Regional Commissioner

The fun times during 2000 at the various Games sites attended by our officers and state representatives remain happy memories - Kentucky, Ohio, Michigan and Indiana have brought many new members to Clan MacDougall. Big plans are happening at the Indiana Highland Games. First the date has been changed - avoiding the July heat - to June 9, 2001 will find our Games at the Concordia Theological Seminary, 6600 North Clinton, Fort Wayne. Zollner Stadium will be having a complete facelift starting this Summer making it the best time to move - 2 1/2 MI North from the Stadium. The host hotel, Baymont Inn, is actually closer to the new location. Beautiful campus facilities, larger place to stage the various venues with many trees close by, with three large parking lots inside the grounds! Now you all come!

Clan MacDougall will be hosting a Clan Tent at the Alma Games with our Michigan Representative, Michael and Gloria Donovan, May 26. Best wishes to Gloria who has just joined the happy rank of retirees. Mike tells me they will also be tenting at the Detroit Games, early August and Kalamazoo Scottish Festival, August 25.

Bill Leroy will be prominent and very active for our Clan at Kentucky Scottish Games, Carrolton, KY. Moving our Fort Wayne Games to June 9 will certainly cause the wheels to be hot on my car attending the Games. I want to once again inform all Clan members that we do have a Society and Games web site at Ft. Wayne. It is being updated for all entries and 2000 winners should be ready very soon. Check us out at www.scottishsocietyftw.org/Highland Games.

A big compliment to Pat McDougal, the Christmas issue was awesome. I feel very proud to show our *Tartan* papers to family and friends! ☺



CLAN MACDOUGALL COOKBOOK

Clan MacDougall Society Mid-Atlantic Branch is preparing a taste-tempting cookbook featuring favorite recipes from members and friends of our Society. Each recipe will show the name of the contributor and be beautifully bound as an attractive cookbook sure to be treasured for years. We are asking for a recipe from all those interested in contributing to this effort. Please fill in the attached form with your recipe and mail it to: **Mrs. Jeanne MacDougall, 3304 Gentle Court, Alexandria, VA 22310-2265**



Instructions for recipe:

- Type or print clearly in ink (not pencil) and place one recipe per sheet.
- If more room is needed, attach another sheet of paper.
- Keep directions in paragraph form - not in steps.
- Spell out names if ingredients - ie "Combine flour & sugar".
- Anything not part of the recipe will be included as a Recipe Note.
- Please spell your name the way you would like it listed with your recipe.

- Categories:**
- Appetizers & Beverages
 - Soups, Salads & Vegetables
 - Main Dishes & Casseroles
- Meat, Poultry & Seafood
 - Breads & Rolls
 - Pies, Pastry & Desserts
- Cakes, Cookies & Candy
 - This & That

RECIPE COLLECTION SHEET:

Category: _____ Recipe Title: _____

Submitted by: (Name & Region) _____

INGREDIENTS: Standard Abbreviations: pt. qt. pks. c. tsp. t. oz. lb. gal. doz. sm. lg.

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DIRECTIONS: _____

TARTAN MATERIAL FOR SALE:

The modern color MacDougall tartan is available for purchase, it is 54" wide and 200% cotton twill. This material is heavy enough for a kilt for summer wear. Also for a dress, suit, vest, or to upholster a chair. It makes beautiful pillows, drapes, table cloths, napkins and placemats. At **\$17.75 postage included per yard**, make your check or money order for the number of yards you wish to buy and mail it to: **Pat McDougal, 8540 Rancho Drive, Ooltewah, TN 37363.**

Book Review



Stewart MacDougall has written several unusual golf books: *Finding Your Swing*, *Stewart MacDougall's Complete Instruction Book*, *Filed Service Manual 2001*

These books are not the usual autobiographical stories about how well the author plays golf, but describe how technical theory when applied to swing basics improves your game.

The *Field Service Manual 2001* describes in detail how modern golf clubs are designed and built. It tells you how to select golf clubs best suited to your game and teaches you how to use them.

Included is a glossary of golf terminology, drawings and photographs depicting how to swing the golf club. By applying physics to your swing, the rewards are distance and consistency.

For information to purchase contact:

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Look for Clan MacDougall Tents at these Scottish Games:

February 24-25 Arizona Scottish Gathering and Highland Games
Mesa, AZ

April 28 Southern Maryland Celtic Highland Games
St. Leonard, MD



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