



Scott's Reflections

This past month has been a busy one for me as your President. Our last newsletter mentioned the appointment of Anne Carine of Foxboro MA for the North East Region which includes Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, Rhode Island, and Vermont. If you are in those states you may expect to hear from Anne or you may contact her by email at Anne.carine@comcast.net

The Canada West Regional Commissioner's Flag

Since then I have appointed Heather McDougall of Airdrie, Alberta as our Regional Commissioner for our Canada West region. This large region of our Society extends almost 1000 miles from east to west across the provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and includes the Territories north of them. If you are on her region you may expect to hear from Heather as your new Regional Commissioner or you may contact her by email at hnicol2@gmail.com. Please welcome her to her new role.



North East side of Dunollie Castle in 2009

At our October meeting, our Society Board of Directors approved our donation of \$7,500 to the MacDougall of Dunollie Preservation Fund for their Phase III project for work on the NE and NW walls and first floor area of Dunollie Castle. This work is described at <https://www.dunollie.org/castle-conservation>. Our donation to the project was made up from all funds on hand from members' donations and all profits from sales of Walter Macdougall's excellent book, *Journeying in MacDougall Country*, topped up with \$2616 from our Society funds. We hope to view the completed Phase III work during the 2019 Gathering next summer.

In October we also carried on preparation for next year's events including:

Fri. 12 July 2019 Annual Dinner Whispering Waters Farm near Grandfather Mountain
Tues-Sat. 30 July - 4 Aug. 2019 MacDougall Gathering in Oban, Scotland
Fri.-Sun. 18-20 Oct. 2019 Annual General Meeting.
We hope to meet many of you at these events.

We rotate our AGM meeting locations so that we can meet more of our members.
In 2019 our AGM will be held during the Stone Mountain Games near Atlanta, GA.
The Games web site is <http://www.smhg.org/>

In the middle of October we mailed our annual letters to members. Much preparation goes on behind the scenes to make this mailing as accurate and effective as possible but in the end it all depends on our members responding. Several of you already have done so but there are many more yet to be mailed back to us. This is our best way of keeping your postal, email, and telephone information up to date, including updates for our contact information for both of our newsletters. Help us to deliver the membership benefits you have paid for. Please take the time to read your letter and to respond with the enclosed return envelope.

Over the coming months many of you will be hearing from your local Society Officers as we expand our membership communication efforts locally. If you have ideas or suggestions please let them know. In the meantime if you have comments or questions for me or other Society Officers you may send them to me by clicking on the red button below.

*Cuimhnich air na daoine o'n d'fhàinig thu.
Remember the men from which you came.*

Scott MacDougald
President

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Renew Membership

2019 MacDougall Gathering at Dunollie



The Gathering section of the Dunollie web site <https://www.dunollie.org/> says that sales of the advance registration ticket sales end on 1 December and are now sold out. Watch this site to keep informed of any further ticket offerings or events as plans are announced. Those who have purchased a Registration Ticket in advance will receive priority allocation of the event and tour tickets when they become available. Information about those specific tours and events is expected to be announced later this year.

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Canada West Region Commissioner Appointed

Heather McDougall has been appointed Canada West Region Commissioner which includes Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, and the Territories north of them, effective October 20, 2018. A message from Heather is below.



Hi. My name is Heather McDougall and I am beyond thrilled to accept the appointment for the Canada West Regional Commissioner. I am a 5th generation Canadian, with my ancestors having settled in Mt. Forest, Ontario, sometime between 1841 and 1844. Eventually our family settled in the MacGregor, Manitoba area where the next 4 generations flourished. I am an Addictions Counsellor by day and have an active love of all things horse related, particularly in the people therapy areas. I have a 10 year old daughter who is the epitome of a young, strong willed Scottish lady, not that she doesn't come by that honestly. We live just outside of Calgary in the foothills and enjoy our free time out here immensely. I look forward to meeting other Clan Society members and proudly representing our MacDougall and MacDowall clans at events across the Canadian prairies.

Heather McDougall Nicol
Canada West Region Commissioner

Virginia Festival a Success

The 2018 Central Virginia Celtic Festival & Highland Games were held Oct 27 & 28 in Richmond VA. The weather on Saturday was truly "Scotland-like" --windy, chilly, and rainy. However, Sunday was lovely with full attendance. There were many visitors to the Clan MacDougall Society tent, hosted by Don & Sandra MacDougall. Three new members joined the Society and others expressed interest in joining. There were very generous donations given on Sunday.

The Pipe bands and Celtic music were constant and our tent was located beside the athletic field. There were many events happening simultaneously and it was fun to watch and listen. The competitions included Harp, Fiddle Pipe & Drums, Gaelic song, Highland dance, Hurling and heavy athletics. As always, the vendors (both food and gifts) were abundant. Being close to Halloween, it was fun to observe all the costumes. The canine group was so diverse and many pups were costumed along with the owners. The blessing of the pets is always an enjoyable event to observe. All in all it was a very successful and fun-filled Festival.

Don & Sandra MacDougall



Help Us Stay Up To Date

As noted in the September issue of *The Tartan*, we have been tracing members with whom we had lost contact when they relocated in past years. This enjoyable and successful endeavor has helped us to locate missing members we would have otherwise lost. You can help us by keeping us up to date with your current telephone and email contact information. Advise us at any time by writing to either address below, or by clicking the big red button and filling out the form that will appear.

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Christopher MacDougall
Portsmouth, VA

Barry McDougall
Dundas, ON

Richard MacDougall
Tampa, FL

[Upcoming Games](#)

[Contact Us](#)

The events listed here all feature a Clan Tent hosted by members of our Society.

We invite you to stop by for a visit. If there is not an event listed near you, consider becoming a Clan Tent Sponsor and help us expand our presence in your area.

It is a lot of fun and we will teach you all you need to know.

Contact [Scott](#) or [Kyle](#) or inquire at any of our Society Tents for more information.

Nov 9-11

[Scottish Gathering & Highland Games](#)

Salado, TX

Dec 1

[Alexandria Scottish Christmas Walk](#)

Alexandria, VA

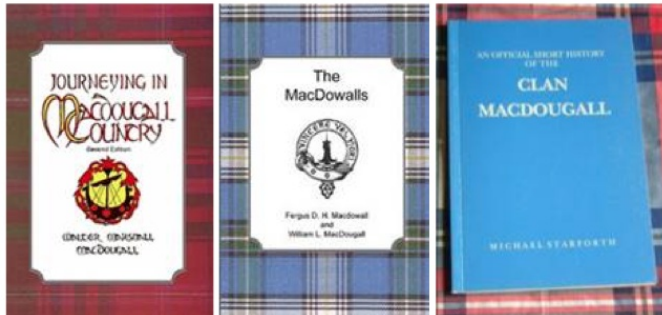
MacDougall/MacDowall Books

If you are looking for gifts related to your clan, our web site has a Book Section describing the best books available.

Each book description includes suggestions of where to purchase the book, its approximate cost, and whether the profits are directed to the preservation of the clan heritage.

You may find them on our web site at

<http://macdougall.org/2014/02/16/macdougall-and-macdowall-books/>



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Persons wishing to submit articles, photos, or items of interest to our newsletters may contact:

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Please help us keep our records up to date by sending your email, telephone, or postal address changes to:

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Membership Year

Membership Dues are on a calendar year basis ending on 31 December. Dues may be paid, or prepaid, online for one or more calendar years through PayPal by clicking the image below.



Are you connected?

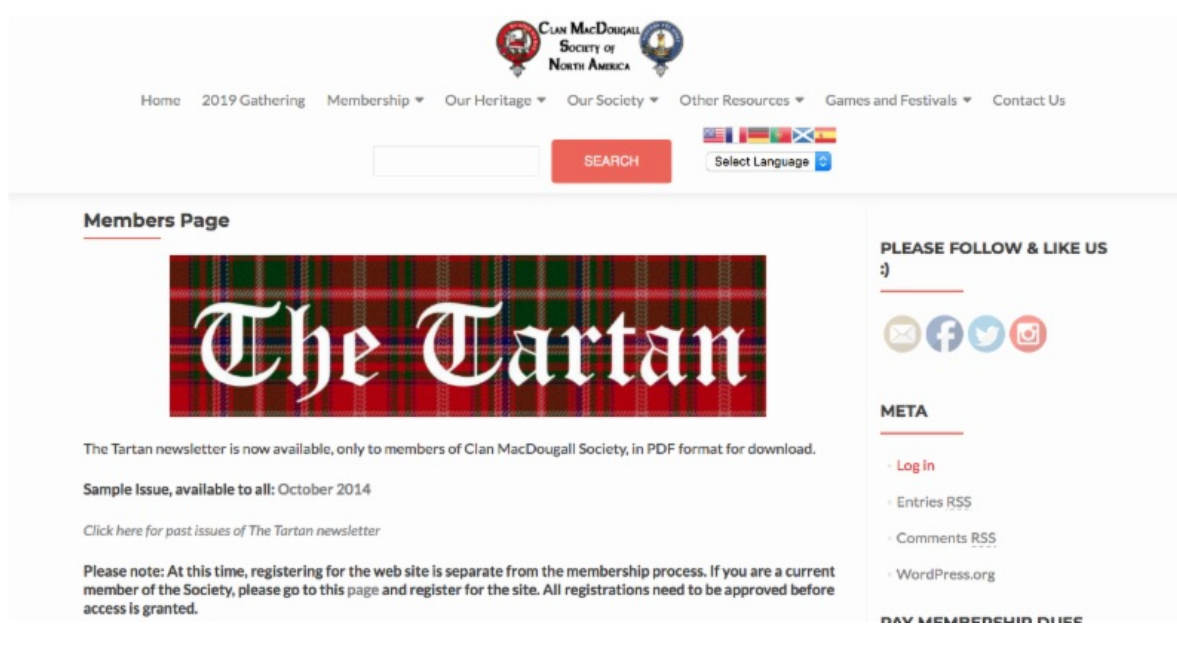
Our website at macdougall.org is our main home on the web. It contains a section available only to members containing extended articles on a number of topics: genealogy resources, a discussion forum, and Society publications spanning more than 50 years. The collection continues to grow!

To take advantage of everything inside, you will need a login and password.

Do you have yours?

If not, follow the easy steps below:

1. Go to <http://macdougall.org/new-user-registration/> and fill out the form.
2. Our webmaster will send you a login and password.
3. Go to <http://macdougall.org/members/> and look for "Login" on the right side. It looks like this:



Our Society also maintains two separate Facebook presences, each filling a different role. You will want to take part in both of them.

1 - Society Facebook Page

This page serves as our main announcement venue on Facebook and is found at <https://www.facebook.com/clanmacdougall/>. Access is gained by simply clicking "follow".

The posts here are generated by Society staff and include notices and news. You will get good info here, and are encouraged to "share" items, but it is not the best place for you to post your own items or comment on things. Think of this more as an announcement bulletin board.

2 - Society Facebook Members Section

This group is only available to active members and is found at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/259990664476157/>. This is where we livestream our Annual General Meeting and other events.

Email President Elect, [Kyle Jones](#) to request an invitation. The invitation will be sent to your email address on file in the Society records unless you provide a different email address you prefer for Facebook. Click "accept" when you receive the invitation and you're in.

Volunteer Opportunities

We hope these tools will enhance your enjoyment of Society membership. Like all Society projects, we encourage your active participation.

If you fancy yourself a writer, photographer, web design guru, or social media power user, consider joining our development team by completing the Volunteer Form below.

[Volunteer Form](#)

John A. McDougall Memorial Scholarships

Our Scholarship Program supports one of the key purposes of our Society. Access our website for the procedures for applying for a scholarship. Donations to our Scholarship Fund help defray costs, are accepted year-round and are greatly appreciated by the Society and recipients. The Society is a 501(c)

(3) organization. Contributions to its endeavors may be tax deductible in the U.S. and may be sent to

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"This young man is Sebastian Arguelles who received a scholarship to St. Thomas Episcopal School in Houston from Clan Macdougall. He came to our tent to thank us ... and placed 5th in World Solo Drumming Championship in Glasgow 2018 and 4th in 2017."

-- Brent Rich, Society Tent Sponsor, Nov. 9-10 Salado Scottish Gathering & Highland Games, Salado TX