



Remember Those From Whom You Came

Newsletter Of The Clan MacAlpine Society

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Commander's News

The Central Florida Games were well attended and well run as we have seen in the past. It is gratifying to see the amount of young people that are engaged and are learning about their heritage.

Society President Dale McAlpine and I had the opportunity to attend the Burns Dinner in Woodville, Ontario, Canada. It was a lovely time, and very good to spend time with this group of very active Canadian Clan MacAlpine Society members.

The Kilmartin Church is still being evaluated by the Dunadd Community, we will stay in touch and follow their progress.

We have started a dialogue with the Lang Syne Publishing Group in Scotland that publishes the series of Clan Histories that are sold on Princess Street and at many Scottish venues. It is an exciting project that will, in time, put our booklets in the outlets.

Yours Aye
Michael T McAlpin
Commander, Name of MacAlpin



Commander: Michael T. McAlpin

Society Officers:

President: Earl Dale McAlpine

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President's News

Dear Family,

We started the new year out by hosting the Clan MacAlpin/e Society tent at Central Florida Highland Games, January 18th – 19th. During the Parade of Clans we received a warm welcome for our Clan and attending Commander Michael T. McAlpin.

The next Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held July 11th at the 65th Annual Grandfather Mountain Highland Games July 9-12, 2020 at MacRae Meadows near Linville, North Carolina—<https://www.gmhg.org> or see our Clan MacAlpin/e Society's website. We will have more information coming for the dinner get together.

Just as a reminder, this year we will be voting for the positions of President and Vice President at the AGM. If you have been active with Society and would like to be considered for one of these positions please let our Secretary, Robin know. Please put "McAlpine Election" in the subject line to robinlmc Alpine@yahoo.com.

For over twenty years the Clan MacAlpine Society has sought to unite MacAlpines around the world, renew our common bond and seek recognition of a Chief of the Name.

I am going to do a quick recall of events for our new members as we have a ton of new family members via Facebook and many we have met at tents hosted around the country.

In April of 2015, MacAlpines from many branches around the world petitioned the Court of the Lord Lyon for permission to hold a Family Convention, or Derbhfine, under the supervision of Her Majesties Court for the purpose of recognition and to nominate an Interim Commander until a Chief could be recognized.

In September of 2016, the Family Convention was held at the home of Sir Walter Scott, in Melrose, Roxbridgeshire, Scotland.

As required, a Court Herald, the Ormond Pursuivant supervised the Family Convention, drew up his recommendations, and submitted them to the Lyon Court.

The Court accepted the recommendation of Ormond, at the unanimous nomination of the Derbhfine attendees, commissioned Michael T McAlpin as Interim Commander.

A suitable period of time is required for any other person desiring to be recognized as a representor of the family and considered as Clan Chief.

We are rapidly approaching the elapse of that time for any qualified MacAlpin/e to step forward and ask to be recognized, and as such, we should state clearly that it is our intent to petition the Court for the recognition of a Chief of the Name and Arms of MacAlpine at a time suitable to Her Majesties Court. The petition likely to be submitted in 2021, with hopes of a Grant of Arms in 2022.

Also Clan MacAlpin/e Society's 2022 AGM will take place in Scotland. Remember to start your plans early if you are interested in attending the Scotland AGM. It has always been our intention to someday have a Chief of the MacAlpin/e, so we hope we will also be celebrating that milestone while on Scotland soil.

Hope to see many of you at the AGM.

In Kinship,
Dale McAlpine, President



The Clan MacAlpin/e—From Whence We Came

Our Historical Heritage by Laura McAlpine

As a child, I was one of a large McAlpine Clan of our own. My father, Kenneth George, was a child of 10 and he and my mother, Donna, followed suit with 10 children of their own, nine who are still on God's green earth. Cousins were in abundance when we would gather for picnics, holidays or ice skating in our backyard during the wintry seasons of my youth. It sure seems like we don't have winters as we used to! Wouldn't you agree?

One of my absolute favorite childhood memories though, was when we would attend the St. Andrews Highland Games held annually at Boblo Island Amusement Park. Oh, how I loved this day! Each year, Scots of many clans would gather from the United States and Canada onto the Boblo Boat docked on the Detroit River and sail 18 miles down the river to [Boblo Island](#). We were international! The leisurely ride along the banks of the river felt like it was a half day trip when in reality it was less than one hours travel. The passenger ferry boat had several levels which boasted a beautifully polished dance floor with a capacity to hold 2500 passengers and on St. Andrews Day bagpipe bands in their clan regalia would gather in various places to warm up for the Highland Competitions that filled the day. For us children, the added bonus was the amusement park with rides that were waiting to receive us for what seemed like utopia!! Running around on an island with rides, children's games, Pipe and Dance competitions and a picnic area where your own group set up camp for the day was idyllic!

And all the while, our connection to our ancestral homeland was being poured into our blood one highland fling at a time.

Were you so lucky to have the opportunity to attend Highland Games in your community? Perhaps your connection to our clan was instilled differently in your family or maybe you have only recently discovered that you are connected to the McAlpin/e's - We welcome you!

There is a long history that is being unraveled as to where and when in Scotland our family originated. What is the history of Scotland itself? From the Isle of Iona to the signed letter from Lord Lyon dated February 2017 recognizing the McAlpine's as a rightful clan of history, I will walk through our story along with historical artifacts adding to our noble heritage. I'm poring over a number of notes shared with me by our Clan Commander, Michael T. McAlpin and doing some searching of my own. I'm not a historian per se, just one who loves our personal story and have been eagerly learning more specifics over the past 10 years or so. I'll be offering a series of submissions starting in our next quarterly newsletter beginning with the story of St. Columba. We all get to know our history and each other a little bit more and it will be an honor if you come along!

Gus an coinnich sinn a-rithis!



Flowers of the Forest

Sidney Fay McAlpin passed Wednesday evening, February 6th in Lacey, Washington.

He was born in Wenatchee, Washington, December 7, 1937, the son of Sidney Fay and Naydene McAlpin.

Sid was a graduate of the University of Washington, and spent his career as the Washington State Archivist.

He was a great and humble man who had dedicated his life to his family and did much to advance archival sciences. He was a pioneer, laying the foundation for many innovations in the field. A book has been in the process of being written to immortalize the contributions he made.

He is survived by his wife Dianne, daughter Victoria, son Mark and grandson, Cameron.



The McAlpin Family's Journey to Australia

Submitted by Warren McAlpin

George Edward McAlpin, in the year of 1852 was aged 39 and he was a farmer from Armagh in Northern Ireland. He and his wife Mary Ann McAlpin [Maiden name McComb] aged 37 had 9 children. The older four children Mary aged 19, Sarah Jane aged 18, Susan aged 16 and Isabella aged 14 were all listed as literate dairymaids on the shipping records. The remaining 5 children were Eliza aged 12, John aged 9, Margaret aged 7, Louisa aged 4 and James aged 2. All were Presbyterian.

George and his entire family set sail as assisted immigrants to Australia on the 12th of March 1852. Although there are only 8 children listed as travelling, it is perhaps assumed that the youngest son James voyaged with another family.

According to Government Immigration documents obtained by order of His Excellency the Governor of Victoria dated the 9th of June 1853, all assisted Immigrant's voyages were subsidized- either fully or partially by the Victorian Colonial Government. This mass immigration exercise to the colony of Victoria was due to the discovery and rapid development of the Gold Fields of Victoria.

George McAlpin, Mary Ann his wife and their nine children travelled from Ireland to Plymouth and then boarded an 893-ton ship called the "Chowringhee" under the Ship's Master- Master George. T. Brown. Government records state that the McAlpin family left the Plymouth Immigrant's depot, disengaged on their own account for Melbourne on the 12th of March 1852.

It is interesting to note details from Government records in 1853 which state the following, " From this return it will be seen that the impulse given by the Gold discovery to assisted Immigration has been very great, no less than 42 ships, conveying in all- 15,477 souls, having cast anchor in our waters in 1852. 5007 were adult males, 5345 adult females and 5125 being children."

The "Chowringhee" voyage to Melbourne took 114 days and arrived just south of Melbourne at Hobsons Bay on the 5th of July in 1852. During the 114-day voyage there was a Cholera outbreak and then a fever outbreak, claiming a total of 17 lives from the 319 emigrants on board. Along with the 17 deaths at sea there were 9 births recorded.

To get a glimpse of life on the voyage, a diary of one of the ships officer's noted open berths, a group of hatless, happy go lucky peasants from Ireland, many without even shoes or stockings or seemingly little in possessions. The single girls were kept separate from the unmarried young men from 8.00 pm until 8.00am. The girls were provided with sewing tasks and shoemaking and when the ship entered warmer waters, they were allowed by the ship's Doctor to stay on deck until 10.00 pm.

The food on the voyage was far from palatable and largely consisted of preserved meat, soup, biscuits and oatmeal. There were no stewards on the ship and water was rationed to 6 pints a day, three for drinking and three for cooking. The record doesn't include how the passengers bathed or washed their clothes.

Whether Mr. George McAlpin and his family made the decision to immigrate to Australia because of what was known as the "Gold Rush" or whether their choice to immigrate was in order to farm will probably remain a mystery. It is however interesting to note that in the 1853 Government Immigration report it would seem that Her Majesty's Colonial Land and Emigration Commissioners not only allowed a discretionary increase in the number of Single women as compared with Male Immigrants but also noted that Married couples with small families proved a boon to those with pastoral interests. Whether Mr. George McAlpin's family of 11 constituted a small or large family is an unanswered question from the year of 1853 until now.



Whatever the answer is, the McAlpin family went on to make a valuable contribution to Melbourne's busy Manufacturing life. George McAlpin's son John was the founder of the McAlpin's Flour Business in Abbotsford. This was later passed on to his sons John and George before being sold to the Darling Flour Company during the late 1950's.

The McAlpin name continued on in Baking business's and then Biscuit Manufacturing under their Scottish Heritage label Mac's Butter Shortbread before being sold to the American company Nabisco in the late 1980's.

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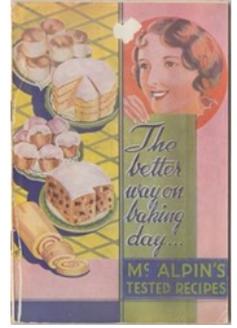


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Photo presented to Mr. John McAlpin and Mr. George McAlpin to commemorate the Firms Jubilee by their employees.

McAlpin's Flour had a clever marketing campaign which focused heavily on the housewives of Australia. Part of the marketing was to provide Australians with a free cookbook with recipes using McAlpin products. These antique cookbooks are still available today.



The use of advertising signs on train stations, town buildings and on the back of tram seats were another marketing innovation, nationwide. One such tram seat sign read, "Gentlemen, Be Like McAlpin's Flour and Rise for the Ladies."

Another piece of Melbourne McAlpin history is found in what is known as the Golden Mile of Melbourne, in the prestigious residential suburb of Canterbury.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L6jNasNbir4>

This was the home of Mr. John McAlpin [second from the right in the photo below] who is featured in the following Seven

Generations of Melbourne McAlpin's. On the far right is his father, another John McAlpin who travelled to Australia in 1852 aboard the "Chowringhee" aged 9.



This historical account of the McAlpin family is a work in progress because the information from voyage end in 1852 up until the end of that century is largely unknown.

What is known however is that the only two sons of Mr. George McAlpin, John and James purchased land in inner Melbourne and Ringwood respectively. They became known as the Flour people and the Ringwood Orchardists.

The Seven daughters of Mr. George McAlpin and Mrs. Mary Ann McAlpin.

Not much is known about the lives of the 7 daughters at the collation of this document.

The eldest Daughter Mary married a Mr. O'Rourke. It would seem from the records obtained that Mary must have had a sad life losing 5 of her 7 children before the age of 1. All seven children were later named Rourke. Mary died in 1897 aged 64 and is buried in Melbourne with her parents.

The second daughter Sarah Jane married Mr. Wallace and they had 9 children. Sarah Jane died in 1906 in South Australia aged 71. The third daughter Susan was unmarried and died in Collingwood in 1899 aged 63. The fourth daughter Isabella married Daniel Buckham. They had 4 children and Isabella died in 1924 aged 85. The fifth daughter Eliza married Mr. Walter Ferguson. They had 10 children and Eliza died in 1923 aged 83. The sixth daughter Margaret married Mr. William Wilson. They had 10 children and Margaret died in 1904 aged 59. Louisa, the youngest daughter remained unmarried and died in Sunbury in 1916 aged 69.

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The two sons John and James have been covered in some detail within this document: John died in Kew in 1911 aged 68. He and his wife Mary [Beacom] had two sons John and George. They were known as the McAlpin's Flour people.

Ringwood McAlpin's

James, the youngest son of Mr. George Edward McAlpin married Mary [Bell]. They had 5 children.

They settled in Ringwood, in the north of Melbourne and the following photos show the original homestead "Dunstaffnage" in North Ringwood which still belongs to the family, alongside the McAlpin reserve which was donated to the local municipality for recreational use for the local residents. The naming of the old family home in Ringwood relates back to the old Dunstaffnage Castle in Scotland which was built in 1220.



James died in Ringwood in 1928 aged 77.



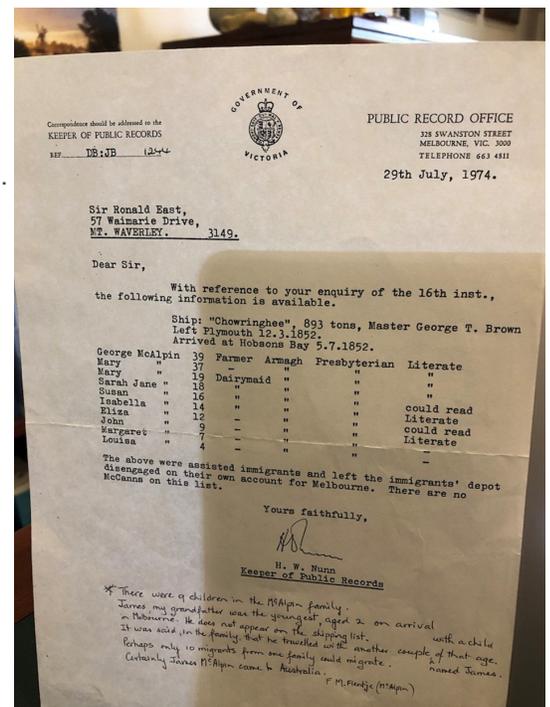
The old orchard land belonging to the McAlpin family has been sold for residential development over the past decades, apart from the beautiful park donated to the City of Maroondah called McAlpin Reserve.

Document provided to Sir Ronald East outlining the original McAlpin family voyage. A note at the bottom was added by Aunt Marybelle Flentje [McAlpin].

McAlpin's of Melbourne 2020



Michael McAlpin and Warren McAlpin
10th of August 2019



The Heritors

Submitted by Mark S.D. McAlpin, Sennachie elect

A Heritor was a privileged person in a parish in Scots law, often a relative of the Clan Chief, and sometimes a Chieftain. The Heritor was bound by title deed for the payment of certain public burdens.



***(the newer Kilmartin Manse, currently a bed and breakfast.
The original Manse is now part of the Kilmartin Museum)***

Like the gentry in other countries, the Heritors ruled the countryside. They were responsible for justice, and law and order in their district and for keeping the roads in good repair.

Heritors were also responsible for appointing and paying the minister and for maintaining the Church, and the Manse (Clergy House).

Heritors were also responsible for the corresponding Glebe. The Glebe is an area of land within the parish used to support the parish priest. The land may be owned by the church, or its profits may be reserved to the church. A Glebe may include strips of open field systems or fields grouped together into a compact lot. Glebe land was granted by the Heritor.

The Heritor was also obligated to provide a schoolhouse, and to pay the Schoolmaster. He was also to provide for the poor of the parish. He was responsible for rogue-money (for preventing crime) as well as road and bridge assessments, and other obligations like public and county burdens. For all this they levied a rate on all the tenants in the parish.

The Heritor was also the person who appointed the Tacksman. The Tacksman generally paid a yearly rent for the land let to him (his "tack"). The Tacksman would in turn let out his land to sub-tenants, possibly keeping some for himself. Most ordinary farmers rented their land for a specific period of time from the Heritors thru the Tacksman.



The Glebe behind the Kilmartin Church

The Heritor was also the Sheriff Principal or could appoint one. The Sheriff Principle is a judge in charge of a judicial district or shire with judicial and administrative responsibilities. Sheriffs principal have been part of the judiciary of Scotland since the 11th century. Sheriffs principal were originally appointed by the monarch of Scotland and evolved into an appointment by the Heritor.

Appointment was again vested in the Crown and the Monarch of the United Kingdom following the passage of the Heritable Jurisdictions Act of 1746.

Burns Dinners

Robert Burns also known familiarly as Rabbie Burns, the National Bard of Scotland, Bard of Ayrshire, the Ploughman Poet and various other names and epithets, was a Scottish poet and lyricist.

He is widely regarded as the national poet of Scotland and is celebrated worldwide. McAlpines around the world attended events celebrating the immortal Bard.



In Scotland:

Joan McAlpine (SNP MSP for South Scotland) delivered the Reply on Behalf of the Lassies at the Burns Supper at Speddoch Hall in the Cairn Valley, a mile south of Dunscore.

In Sweden:

The MacAlpines of Stockholm celebrating Rabbie Burns were honoured to meet Ms Judith Gough CMG, Her Majesty's Ambassador to the Kingdom of Sweden. — with Christian Sjögren, Finn Alpin, Tommy Lénberg and Ronny Lindergren.attended events celebrating the immortal Bard.



Left to Right, Ronny and Kari Lindergren, Finn and Leizel Alpin, Tommy and Lotta Lénberg and Christian Sjögren



Ms Judith Gough CMG, Her Majesty's Ambassador to the Kingdom of Sweden. — with Christian Sjögren, Finn Alpin, Tommy Lienberg and Ronny Lindergren.



In Canada:

Bruce McAlpine was cohost of the Burns Dinner in Woodville, Ontario, complete with the Lindsey Pipe Band, Highland Dancers and a Celtic Rock Band, the Steel City Rollers.

Pictured to the left: Back row left to right: : Society President Earl Dale McAlpine, Ted Elmhirst, Commander Michael McAlpin, and Murray MacAlpine. Middle row: Anne Elmhirst, Canadian Commissioner Bruce MacAlpine, Gavan Elmhirst, Eleanor MacAlpine, and Shirley MacAlpine. Front row: Rowan Elmhirst

In the United States:

The McAlpine family was well represented at Robert Burns Celebration in Reno, Nevada that had a total of 480 in attendance. The McAlpines had a busy night at the event with Ann McAlpine wearing many hats as chair and coordinator of the event as well as presenting the welcoming address as the 2020 Chief of Nevada Society of Scottish Clans.

Doug and Janet McAlpine were involved in reservations and greeting, Paul McAlpine assisted with the whisky raffle, Ian McAlpine participated in the on-stage raffle drawings. Other McAlpines in attendance were Kathy McAlpine and Lynelle McAlpin. A bit of trivia realized that night was that Ian McAlpine, at the ripe old age of 24, had not missed one Robert Burns Celebration in the past 20 years. Quite a record for a young man. Though this busy group missed out on photo ops—this photo is of Rick Edwards, Scotch Master, addressing the haggis. It was quite a night! .



Kintraw Fairy Hill

Just a few miles north of Kilmartin on the A816 lies a mound known as the Danish Kings Grave, where it is believed a Norse Prince is buried. Nearby is a standing stone and a short distance from there is the Kintraw Fairy Hill where the Doonies or faerie folk who take the form of little old people dwell.



From "Waifs and Strays of Celtic Tradition, Argyllshire Series" (1889) by Lord Archibald Campbell (1846-1913)

Lord Campbell writes:

"There is a green hill above Kintraw, known as the Fairies' Hill, of which the following story is told.

Many years ago, the wife of the farmer at Kintraw fell ill and died, leaving two or three young children. The Sunday after the funeral the farmer and his servants went to church, leaving the children at home in charge of the eldest, a girl of about ten years of age.

On the farmer's return the children told him their mother had been to see them, and had combed their hair and dressed them. As they still persisted in their statement after being remonstrated with, they were punished for telling what was not true.

The following Sunday the same thing occurred again. The father now told the children, if their mother came again, they were to inquire of her why she came. Next Sunday, when she reappeared, the eldest child put her father's question to her, when the mother told them she had been carried off by the "Good People" (Daione Sith), and could only get away for an hour or two on Sundays, and should her coffin be opened it would be found to contain only a withered leaf.

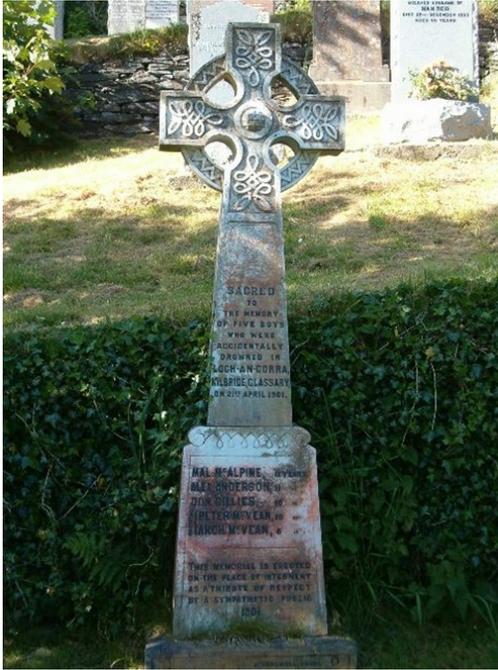
The farmer, much perplexed, went to the minister for advice, who scoffed at the idea of any supernatural connection with the children's story, ridiculed the existence of "Good People," and would not allow the coffin to be opened. The matter was therefore allowed to rest.

But, some little time after, the minister, who had gone to Lochgilphead for the day, was found lying dead near the Fairies' Hill, a victim, many people thought, to the indignation of the Fairy world he had laughed at."

Argyllshire Advertiser 1st May, 1901

In Memoriam

Submitted by Bruce McAlpine



Although no formal intimation was made of the funeral of the five boys who were accidentally drowned at Lochan-na-Corra on 21st April 1901, about 250 people, representative of all classes of the community, attended the obsequies on Wednesday afternoon, and the mournful procession, as it slowly wended its way from Rhudil to Kilmartin Churchyard, where the interment took place, presented one of the saddest and most impressive spectacles we have witnessed in the district.

On assembling at Rhudill Cottages, a good hundred yards from the roadside. A short open air service was conducted by Rev. Messers Campbell and Dewar, after which the coffins containing the remains of Alexander Anderson and Malcolm M'Alpine were carried shoulder high by the respective relatives down the hill-side to a brake on the public road. A short distance further along the road a halt was made at Anuaskeog, and the bodies of Peter and Archibald M'Vean and Donald Gillies, who lived next door to each other, were transferred to another brake, and the mournful cortege moved off with solemn tread towards Kilmartin.

A couple of wreaths made up of moss, ivy, lilies and primroses, and provided by Rev. L Campbell, Glassary, and Miss Black and the girls of Kilmichael School, were placed on each of the coffins, and sixteen of the senior boys from the same school followed closely behind the funeral

brakes. On reaching the green in front of the Kilmartin Hotel the coffins were again placed on the shoulders of the relatives of the deceased, and, marching in single file, were carried to their last resting place in one large grave in the lower portion of the Churchyard. When all the coffins had been lowered and placed side-by-side, with about six inches between, Rev. J. Dewar again engaged in prayer, and before all the mourners dispersed the largest grave in Kilmartin Burying- Ground was closed.



Prompted by warm sympathy for the bereaved families, a number of representative gentlemen afterwards met in the Kilmartin Hotel and formed a committee, with Mr. Ballantyne as convener, to raise a fund by public subscription to meet the funeral expenses, to enclose the lair and erect a suitable memorial stone. The proposed met with unanimous approbation, and the following were appointed to receive subscriptions in the various districts—Ford, Mr. Currie Ederline; Kilmartin, Mr. T. Ballantyne and Mr. J. M'donald, Rhudill; Kilmichael, Mr. M. Black; Cairmbaan, Mr. W. Smith; Bellanoch and Crinan, Mr. J. M'Donald, Lecknabaan; Lochgilphead, Mr. Duncan Smith and Mr. Wm. C. Harvey; Ardrishaig, Mr. Robert Finlay

Lochan-na-Corra where the five boys drowned
3 miles south east of Kilmartin Church

Central Florida Highland Games Winter Springs, FL January 18-19, 1920



Scotland's history & culture were on display with 100 Scottish clans and societies represented. The MacAlpine tent was well attended, and a good time was had by all.

Pictured at right is Society President Earl Dale McAlpine arming the guard at the MacAlpine Tent



Extract of the DUNADD COMMUNITY ENTERPRISE Meeting January 30, 2020

CHURCH BUILDING PROJECT

What has been achieved: Explored church hall option; Developed a project plan (www.dunadd.scot); Applied for funding for feasibility/ability; Developed a shop study; Engaged professionals

Next Steps: Report being shared with the community; Membership to decide on next steps. We published a project plan on our website and have been keeping it updated.

Funding achieved through an assortment of grants: Architectural Heritage Fund £4,000.00; Awards for all £3,000.00; Scottish Land Fund £5,714.00 - Total £12,714.00

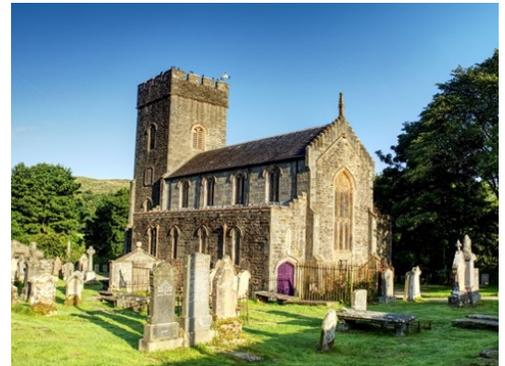
Also asked to do a Shop study, the study is on our website, it does not say if we will have a shop but lays down for and against and looks at other community shop ventures in the area. It basically says that a shop would not make a great profit but well run it can employ locals and be a great community resource. This document will help inform the next stage of the project.

Last year we mentioned that the church was being purchased by a benefactor (Dr. Ewan Campbell), who will hold it for the Dunadd Community Enterprise, to explore our options. Ewan now owns the building, however initially Church of Scotland mentioned that we could have access to do the work we needed, when the solicitors got involved this access was removed and it knocked the whole project back.

Engaged Shauna Cameron Architect – Benderloch to deliver the professional reports which include: Survey of inside and outside of the building; Estimated Cost of repairs; Three options on how the building can be adapted and the estimated cost of this;. This is being completed. But behind schedule.

So, to summarize: Funding is in place; Professions are engaged; Project is running behind; Next stages must happen quickly; All reports will be available on our website; Consult within the community at the end of Feb/ March; Members to make a decision before Easter;

If a go ahead is agreed: Develop a business plan; Complete the stage two application by August



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Look for the MacAlpine Tent at Highland Game Events



JOIN US AT THE GRANDFATHER
MOUNTAIN HIGHLAND GAMES
JULY 9-12, 2020
MACRAE MEADOWS,
GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN
LINVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA

LOOK FOR THE MacALPINE TENT
SITE OF OUR 2020 AGM

2020 Clan MacAlpin/e Society Annual General Meeting

**'Meet you on the Mountain'
Will be held at Grandfather Mountain,
North Carolina on July 11, 2020.**



JOIN US AT THE LONGSPEAK HIGHLAND GAMES
SEPTEMBER 11-13, 2020
ESTES PARK, COLORADO
LOOK FOR THE MACALPINE TENT



JOIN US AT THE STONE MOUNTAIN
HIGHLAND GAMES
OCTOBER 16-18, 2020
STONE MOUNTAIN GEORGIA

LOOK FOR THE MacALPINE TENT



Join us at the Northeast Alabama Highland games and
Scottish Exhibition April 4th, 2020

NORTHEAST ALABAMA COMMUNITY COLLEGE
138 AL Hwy 35, Rainsville, Alabama 35986

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Join us at the Fergus Scottish
Festival

AUGUST 7-9, 2020

Look for the
MacAlpine Tent

Fergus Wellington Sports Plex 550
Belsyde Avenue East
Fergus, ON N1M 3S1

Hosting a Clan Tent

Are you thinking about how to host a MacAlpine Society tent at a Highland games? Here is information to help you with what is needed. The Society will provide a start up kit and pay the festival fees the first year. If you plan on hosting the following year, or at other games, hold on to the kit, if you are looking at a one time use, we ask that you return the kit. Many games require you to bring your own popup tent, while others require the use of their tents. Details of what specific games provide are available on the games' website.

Here is a list of what you will find in the Clan MacAlpine Society startup kit:

- MacAlpine banner
- MacAlpine poster
- Sign in sheets
- Informational trifolds
- Boars head stamp
- Copies of Clan Encyclopedia
- Nametags
- Copies of last two newsletters

In addition to what the society provides, you will need the following:

- PVC pipes or other poles to hold banner above tent
- Assorted bungies to hold pvc pipes or other poles to tent poles
- Zip ties, side-cutter to remove zip ties, duct tape, scissors,
- Table cloth and table decorations; ■ Netting and fasteners to hold pictures at side of tent

Each host will have their own ideas about other items they will want at their tent to make it welcoming to visitors. Hosting a tent is a great experience and you have the opportunity of getting to meet and introduce fellow MacAlpines to the Society as well as get acquainted with others who share your Scottish heritage. Let us know if you have an interest in hosting a tent at a Highland games event in your area.

Clan MacAlpine Information

We invite you to learn more about Clan MacAlpine Society by going to our website www.macalpineclan.com and reviewing the wealth of information found there.

We hope you enjoy receiving your quarterly issues of this newsletter, *Remember Those From Whom You Claim*, that contains articles of interest and activities our members participate in.

For those of you on Facebook, check us out. We have many contributors to that site.

On our website you will find the store where you can order the clan items shown on this page, get membership information, find information on the Clan MacAlpine DNA project, and a variety of other sections about MacAlpine history and the history of Clan MacAlpine Society.

Also on the website you have the opportunity to support your Society by checking out the page on "Funding Projects" to discover ways you can make a donation to Clan MacAlpine Society. It is through your donations that we are able to participate in or support heritage activities. You can earmark your donation for:

- ◆ General Society Operations
- ◆ Society Clan Tent Fund
- ◆ Kilmartin Museum Fund
- ◆ Pipe and Drum Band Fund
- ◆ Scottish Dancing Fund

Be sure to watch for Highland Games in your locale. Look for a Clan MacAlpine Society tent and celebrate your heritage by getting acquainted with fellow MacAlpines.



Clan MacAlpine Challenge Coin



\$20.00 + 4.95 Shipping
Available in store on Society website at www.macalpineclan.com
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Clan MacAlpine Society Kilt Pin



Custom designed by Mark McAlpin, incorporating elements of the boar's head, pine tree, crown, and sword, all of which are linked to the MacAlpines, and appear prominently in MacAlpine Heraldry.

The pins are made of silver weighing approximately 1 ounce - Dimensions are 4"x 1 1/8"

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