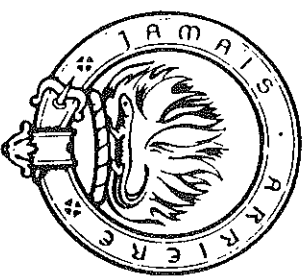


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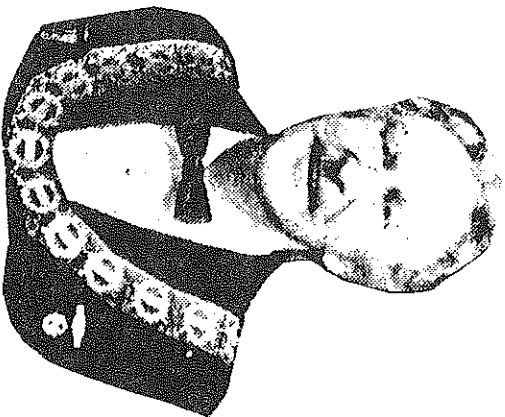
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On the list of sept families there are some who are recognised as belonging to other clans. It is therefore necessary to know your lineage in order to prove association. Clan Douglas Association of Australia cannot guarantee that your particular family is eligible to be a sept, but the Association would be happy to accept your membership until proven differently.

## President's Message



Welcome Clan members to Australia's Bicentenary year; let us hope this year will be as successful for us as 1987 and that we will continue to go from strength to strength.

The first highlight of 1988 has been the presence of those magnificent tall ships around the ports of our capital cities. I wonder if many of you cast your minds back into the last century and visualised your ancestors travelling with their families, including young children, for a period of about 3 months in what we would now consider, most primitive travelling conditions, through some of the roughest seas in the world to seek their fortunes in a strange new world.

Many of them left their home towns, villages and crofts, where opportunities did not show much promise and they probably did not have a great deal to lose, other than their immediate relations and friends, which in itself, must have been very traumatic, knowing that they would never return. There were many births and deaths recorded on these migrations and I have seen birth certificates showing place of birth as X degrees latitude by Y degrees longitude, which may have been in the middle of the Indian Ocean. Those who survived this arduous ordeal then on arrival had to find themselves jobs, homes and eventually pioneered this land; so thanks to them we enjoy the conditions and climate of this country today. In tracing our family trees, I think that we are recognising and honouring the very existence of those ancestors who went before us and they should be documented for our future generations.

This is our fourth newsletter and we hope that the contents contained appeal to all members. I am sure that you find submissions from our overseas contributors interesting - Arthur Douglas, M.L.J., F.S.A. Scotland, and Norman Douglas of Arrochar, F.S.A. Scotland, describing articles outlining crests, mottos and supporters of the Douglasses. Which line are you? Perhaps Mary Smith can help you determine this. Norman Douglas's experiences in tracing his ancestry must also create interest and a challenge and I recommend you to start before it is too late, as every generation down the line finds it harder than the previous one.

At the annual meeting, we outlined the aims and objects of our association and our editor, Jan Shaw also outlined the aims of our newsletter. If you feel that there are aspects we have overlooked or are not covering, please feel free to write in and offer us suggestions.

In wishing you all a happy New Year I would like to welcome the New Zealand members who are joining us. Dunedin is known as the Edinburgh of the South as most of its initial migrants were Scots and the Scottish sympathy is very strong there today.

Cheers until next letter,

Yours AYE

Ronald Douglas, J.P., F.S.A., Scot.

### GLENDENNING

Glendinning: From the lands of the name in Wester Kirk, Dumfriesshire, Douglas (baronage) states that a charter was granted by John MacGill of that ilk (de eodem) to Adam de Glendonwyn of all his part of the lands and baronies of Clifton and Merbotel in the shire of Roxburgh prior to 1286. In 1313 Sir Adam obtained a discharge of all bygone feu-duties from Archibald Douglas, Lord of Galloway, and in 1398 John of Glendonwyne and Symon of Glendonwyne were two of the "borowis" for the earl of Douglas's bounds of the West March, and Symon of Glendonwyne was hostage for Archibald, earl of Douglas, 1408 (Bain, iv, 512, 762). William de Glendonwyn was procurator of the Scottish "Nation" in the University of Orleans in 1408 (SHSM, p 73), and in the same year died Matthew de Glendonwyn, bishop of Glasgow (Dowden, p317). William de Glendonwyn appears as rector of Crawfordjohn in 1450 and as canon of the church of Glasgow, 1467 (REG., p 379, 380). Symon of Glendonwyn was one of the conservators of the truce between Scotland and England, 1451 (Bain, iv, 1239). Goods were stolen from Bartholomew Glendonwyne, 1504 (Trials, i, p41). In 1587 the Glendunings were named among the unruly clans on the West March (APS., 111, p466), and in 1599 Robert Glendonying was retoured heir in lands in the parish of Balmaghie (Retours Kirkcudbright, 41). Isabel Glindinine appears in Doucat Maines, 1667 (Lauder), John Glendinning joined Montrose and in consequence was outlawed and his lands forfeited. The direct line is said to have ended in 1720, but William Glendonwyn of that ilk is mentioned in 1798 (Kirkcudbright). In the north of Ireland the name is spelled Clendinnon. Gladinin (in Froissart), Glendonewyne 1380, Glendonig 1599, Glendonying 1637, Glendovyn 1492, Glendowyn 1493, Glendunwyn 1488, Glendynwe 1545, Glendynwyn 1530, Glendinan, Glendinnowing, Glendonning, Glendonwin, Glendunn, Glendowyn, Glendowwyne, Glendverweyn.

Taken from "The Surnames of Scotland" by G.F.Black.

Gerald Talbot Clindenig records in his book "The House of Glendonwyn" that

"Adam Fitz Hugh, Bailie of Westerker or Eskdale proper, with jurisdiction over all the lands of the lordship of Eskdale, for Sir John de Graham of Abercorn and Westerker, was the true founder of the House of Glendonwyn, hereditary Bailies of Eskdale".

Adam Fitz Hugh came to Scotland from Ravensworth, Yorkshire, around the year 1309 and settled on the Meggot Water of Westerker. He arrived in Scotland at the time when the fortunes of her King were steadily rising. He appears in records as being in the garrison at Bothwell Castle on the Clyde as archer of the guard under Walter Fitz Gilbert, founder of the House of Hamilton in 1311-12. Adam became a firm and faithful friend of King Robert Bruce, who, upon the 12th April 1320, bestowed upon him, now styled "of Glendonwyn", a grant of twenty shillings sterling from the ward duties of Roxburgh Castle. In April 1321, the King bestowed the moiety (small part) of Westerker on Sir James Douglas (the Black Douglas), who as it happened, was directly related through the family of Bataille, to Isabel, wife of John Fitz Hugh, Adam's brother. It seems fairly certain that Adam named the land where he lived after John Fitz Hugh's lordship of Glenton or Glanton in Northumberland: thus Glenton-in or Glentonine is really how the name originated. For steadfast service to the Crown, Adam, in 1325, received confirmation of the lands of Falthorpe (Falthope) and several others in the forest of Jedburgh, shire of Roxburgh, free of feudal service to the lord superior, Sir James Douglas.

1 Sir James Douglas and Adam Fitz Hugh became constant companions, and four years afterwards when Robert the Bruce died at Cardross, they set forth together with others, to carry Bruce's heart to the Holyland. In Spain where Sir James Douglas was killed fighting against the Moors, Adam was fortunate to escape the carnage, and after recovering the King's heart in its silver casket and the body of their great leader, the survivors returned home to Scotland. Adam was recognised for his services to the late Sir James by Archibald Douglas, lord of Galloway, and was discharged of all his bygone feudal duties; that is, his annual rents as vassal of the late Sir James. In 1342 to closer cement the ties between the Houses of Douglas and Glendonwyn, Adam married Margaret, daughter of Sir John Douglas of Lothian and his wife, Agnes Montfode, and niece of Sir William Douglas, and de Glendonning, died shortly before 20th July 1363. It was not uncommon for a man's surname to become submerged beneath the name of his lands, and his true name to be later completely overlooked or forgotten.  
Information obtained from "The House of Glendonwyn" by G.T.Clindenning.

**BOOKS** The Clan Douglas Association of Australia wishes to thank Mrs Bidstrup of South Australia, for her kind and generous donation to the library of "The House of Glendonwyn" by Gerald Talbot Clindenning.

**Vic. Deaths.**

1875 James Glendenning, aged 1,  
son of Joseph & Margaret nee Reed,  
at Eagl. 06540  
1882. James Glendenning, aged 72,  
son of Robert & Margaret nee  
Stevensen, at Avoca. 46  
1898. Joseph Glendenning, aged 61,  
son of John & ? nee Thomason, at  
Eagl. 11768

10/12/1872 James David Glendenning  
v103, p419  
5/8/1877 Robert James Glendenning  
v187 p229  
South Australia Marriage  
Robert Glendenning 1842-67  
Book 7, p200  
New South Wales Births  
1870-1879. David Walter  
Glendenning, son of John Pearson &  
Annie. 7816079  
1870-1879. James Glendenning, son  
of James & Julia. 7604198  
1890-1899. Jean M V Glendenning,  
daughter of James & Jemina.  
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**Vic. Births.**

1870. Alice Mills Glendenning,  
daughter of George & Charlotte nee  
Cundick at Cstle. 21898  
1870. Henry Alfred Glendenning,  
son of Henry & Elizabeth nee  
Thistlethwaite, at King. 16658

South Australia. Births  
29/7/1873. Adelaide  
Glendenning, v125, p81

Queensland, Marriage  
1891 John Pearson Glendenning &  
Charlotte Chatfield. 1458

**DOUGLAS:**

In 767 AD there appeared in Scottish history, a certain Sholto Douglas who, according to David Hume of Godscroft a Douglas family historian, was the progenitor of the illustrious House of Douglas. It is generally believed, that this Sholto Douglas was descended from the House of Murray, a belief due basically to the three mullets, or stars, held in chief on the Douglas Armorial Bearings. Since then, the name Sholto has been given to many Douglas sons as a mark of respect for the first known forebear. In some cases, it has become a reversed family name and is given to a member of each generation.

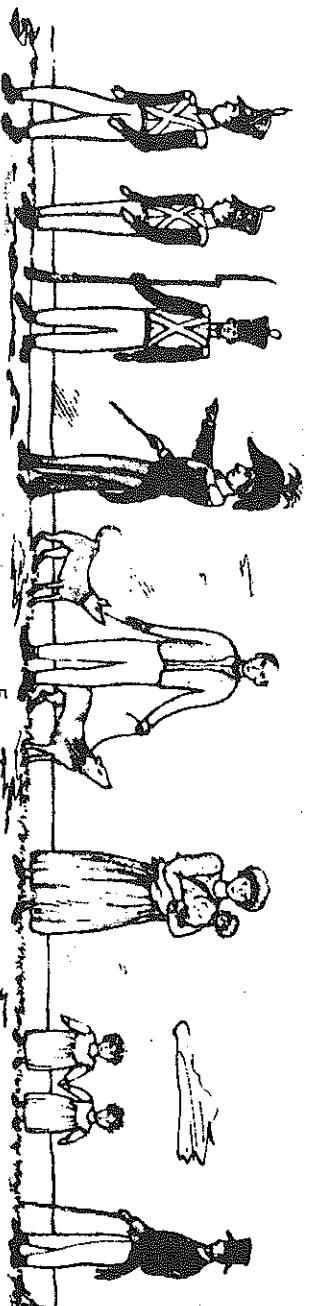
Because so many C.D.D.A. members have recently become interested in discovering their forebears, Mary Smith has written some "How to do it" notes. Once you start and become bitten by the Genealogical 'bug', there is no stopping - Family History becomes a never ending and all absorbing occupation and apart from discovering previously unknown relatives, either long since deported or very much alive, one meets a host of very interesting, friendly and helpful people. Good luck and good hunting! (22.)

#### HOW TO RESEARCH YOUR ANCESTORS by Mary Smith

All births, marriages and deaths are officially recorded, but the system of civil registration is comparatively recent. In England and Wales it began in 1837, in Scotland in 1855, and in Ireland not until 1864. Before the commencement of civil registration, genealogical information can be obtained from the Old Parish Registers of christenings, marriages and burials. These may take you back in history as far as the middle of the sixteenth century. Most of these registers have been filmed by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (Mormons), and these films can be ordered through your nearest Church library by paying a small fee. The films are kept in Sydney at a central location and are sent to the library as required. (Not all churches have a library.) The IGI (International Genealogical Index) is another valuable source of information available on microfiche through the L.D.S Church, state libraries, and historical societies in your state. Unfortunately, not all registrations are included on the IGI, and if your ancestor isn't on the fiche, you will probably have to resort to the OPRs for the information you require. Australian births, marriages and deaths can be viewed on microfiche at the L.D.S. library and genealogical societies in your state. Civil registration began in Tasmania in 1838, Victoria in 1853, Queensland in 1859, Western Australia in 1841, South Australia in 1842. Prior to these dates, you may find the entries you require in the entries for New South Wales. These fiche only record prior to 1899 and not all states have released their records for filming yet. Incidentally, birth and marriage certificates are the most reliable certificates to obtain as they contain information given by a living informant.

St Catherine's House (address given below) for England and Wales, The Register General, New Register House, Princes Street, Edinburgh, Scotland EH1 3YT for Scottish certificates, and General Register Office, 49-55 Chichester Street, Belfast BT1 4HL, Northern Ireland for Irish certificates.

Census records are available through the L.D.S. Church also. In Australia, census and musters range from 1788 to 1891, the 1841 census is of particular interest to the eastern states, and the 1859 census to Western Australians. Overseas, the 1841 census was the first one taken that is of any value to genealogists, and the 1851 is better still providing you know the city, street or village where an ancestor lived during the years 1841, 1851, 1861, 1871 or 1881. A search of the census returns will provide invaluable information. Special permission has to be obtained for information from the 1891 and 1901 returns from the General Register Office, St Catherine's House, 10 Kingsway, London WC 2R 6JF, England, and unfortunately, I believe the cost is around \$40-00 Australian to obtain.



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Provisional Programme for the 1988 Gathering.

Sun. Nov. 20 Arrive Hobart. Visit to Casino. Some will no doubt go straight home from here.  
Mon. Nov. 21 Tour of Tasmania, the Southern Hemisphere's Scotland (I would personally prefer to tour Scotland, the Northern Hemisphere's Tasmania).  
Tues. Nov. 22 Launceston. Visit to Australian Tartan Centre.  
Wed. Nov. 23 Cross Bass Strait to Melbourne. Don't forget the mal de mer tablets.  
Thurs. Nov. 24 Selection of tours available.  
Frid. Nov. 25 Military Tattoo. A cast of 1500, with contingents from the U.K., U.S.A., Canada, New Guinea and New Zealand.  
Sat. Nov. 26 Arrive Sydney.  
Sun. Nov. 27 Tartans kirked. March of the Clans. Public open air concert.  
Mon. Nov. 28 Information Centre and Scottish Exhibition open. Scottish Week Opening Ceremony. Western Suburbs Ceilidh. Scottish activities in Martin Place begin and continue till Friday.  
Tues. Nov. 29 Golf day.  
Wed. Nov. 30 Race Day. Parramatta Scottish Day. City Ceilidh.  
Thurs. Dec. 1 Harbour trip to Manly for Scottish Day. Campbelltown Scottish Day. Northern Suburbs Ceilidh. Scottish History evening.  
Fri. Dec. 2 Close of Information Centre and Exhibition. Grand Scottish Week Ball. My notes say, "Full evening dress with decorations and tiaras". I just can't wait to see Scorrybreac in a tiara.  
Sat. Dec. 3 Clan functions and meetings. Sightseeing.  
Sun. Dec. 4 Sydney Highland Games. All the fun of the fair.  
Mon. Dec. 5 Arrive Brisbane. Tour of Gold Coast.  
Tues. Dec. 6 To Barrier Reef for two days of island relaxation.  
Fri. Dec. 9 Arrive Canberra. From hot sun to hot air. Night tour of Capital.  
Sat. Dec. 10 Selection of tours available. Military Tattoo for those who missed it in Melbourne.  
Sun. Dec. 11 Depart exhausted for home.

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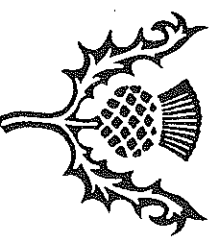
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# Sydney SCOTTISH GAMES

## At least 124 clans attend Sydney Scottish gathering

Thousands of Scots from throughout Australia donned their kilts and tartan and converged on Sydney earlier this month for the seventh annual Scottish gathering organised by the Scottish Australian Heritage Council.

Toowoomba's Mr Ron Douglas was there in full regalia, flying his clan banner with wife Merie and daughter Kylie.

Mr Douglas is Australian president and founder of the Douglas Clan, which boasts about 190 members.

He also represented local Scots as Chiefstain of the Toowoomba Caledonian Society.

Member for Toowoomba North Mr Sandy McPhie and his wife, Helen, also attended the gathering. Mr McPhie is president of the McPhie Clan.

Two special guests were Scottish chiefs: The Much Honoured and Right Honorable Earl of Glasgow, and the Much Honoured Mackintosh of Mackintosh, OBE.

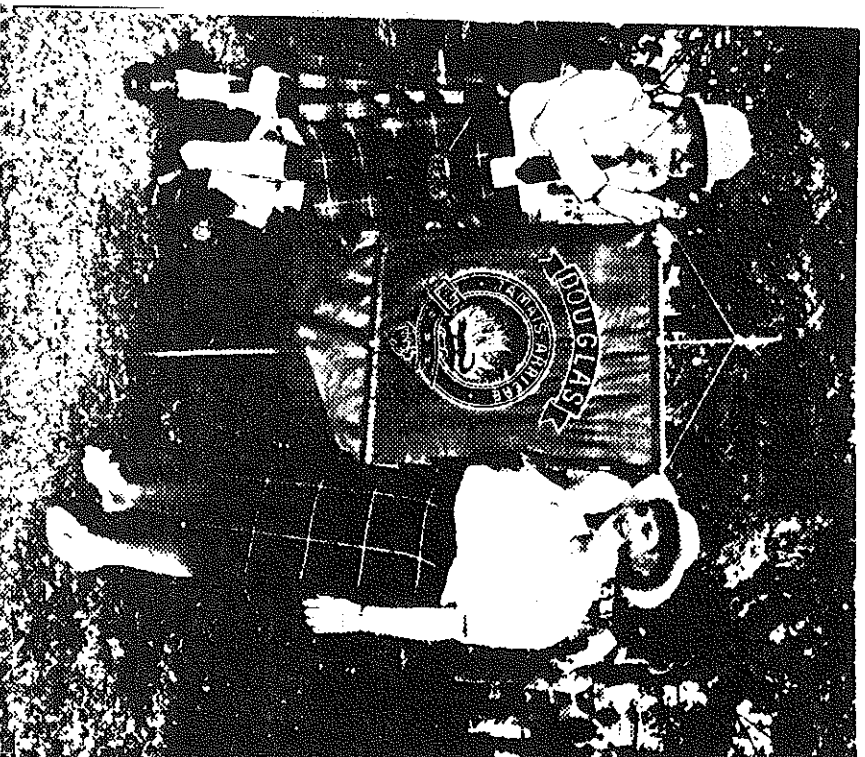
More than 124 clans attended the week-long gathering. A highlight of the festivities was a huge march from the Domain to the Sydney Opera House.

A Scottish concert (Ceilidh) featured the playing of the pipes, Gaelic speech and poetry, highland dancing and singing.

The Grand Scottish Ball was held at the University of New South Wales where clansmen and women joined in for Scottish country dancing and highland and lowland chiefs and chieftains were presented.

The climax was Scottish games where events ranged from pipe band and highland dancing competitions to more rigorous contests like tossing the caber, tug-o-war and running the kilted mile.

There was also a Scottish dog



Clan Douglas President, Ron Douglas with his daughter, Kylie, preparing the Douglas Banner prior to the March at the 7th Annual Scottish Gathering.

show, the crowing of the Queen of the Heather, and the grand kilted parade.

The gathering is the second Mr Douglas has attended but he won't

be missing out on next year's event — Australia has been picked to host the world Scottish gathering next year to coincide with the Bicentenary.

## THE ANCESTRY OF NORMAN DOUGLAS OF DUNDARRACH

Continuation of "The Ancestry of Norman Douglas of Dundarrach" from Volume III of Newsletter.

During this period, our family had many "grave-scrapping holidays" to many Douglas areas of Scotland, also visiting many Douglas Castles and Houses. In 1971, we decided to contact Mrs Sheila Pitcairn, a professional researcher who stays in Dunfermline. Mrs Pitcairn tied together some of the information that we had gotten from the gravestones, with the records at Register House; but soon took a new line in June, by finding that the above John Douglas in Thornyhill had a death certificate which showed that his parents were John Douglas and Henriette McMorran, and that from the census records, John in Thornyhill, was born in the parish of Kirkpatrick-Durham. Mrs Pitcairn, like ourselves, guessed that John in Thornyhill was the brother of our James in Brough, due to the very similar pattern of family names, but could we prove it!

We attempted to obtain all the Douglas entries from the 1841 census from the Solway to the County of Stirling, but without any success at finding James Douglas or his wife Jane Thomson. This took us to about March 1979. Sometime earlier than this, I visited the Ewart Library in Dumfries, to search any newspapers for any Douglas information, and from the Dumfries Weekly Journal dated 26/10/1802, I extracted the following:

For Sale, The Lands of Mule, in the parish of Kirkpatrick-Durham, containing 769 acres, possessed by John Douglas at a rent of £63.0.0.

This information I have always kept at the back of my mind. In

April 1972, I was contacted by a second cousin of mine, Elena Hemminger, from New York, who was also interested in compiling our family tree. She gave us the information that she obtained from another second cousin, Dr Ruthven Lang, living in New Zealand, and he told us that my great-grandfather, Robert Douglas, had come from Dunscore. Here again was the same town that my Uncle Charlie had told me of, this time, the information came from the other side of the world. One day, I saw what I had continually missed. Looking again at the Ordnance Survey map of the parish, I found the farm of Mule or Mull as it was now called, near to the village of Dunscore. Could the John Douglas who was selling Mule in 1802, be the father of my James Douglas and his brother, John? I got the answer to this from the records of the Latter Day Saints (the Mormons) which were available to me in Dumbarton Library. From this source, I learned that James was the son of John in Mull, and also that James and John had a sister Ann.

From a booklet of members interests produced by the Glasgow and West of Scotland Family History Society that I had joined in 1977, I got in touch with a Mrs Vera Stammers of Leicester. Mrs Stammers proved of invaluable help to me for she told me of two Douglas stones in the Churchyard of Dunscore, situated just beside the door into the church. Margaret and I had missed them on our previous visit! We visited Dunscore again at the earliest opportunity, and found the two stones, very faded. But after several visits, we determined the writing on them





and they were definately my family. The stone which proved they were our family, was in memory of Margaret Douglas, daughter of Rob Douglas and Margaret Aitkin in New Barns of Barnhourie in the parish of Colvend. Margaret died 1787 aged 7 years. We had already obtained records of this family and knew they were my family. The second stone lying together with the first one, gave the following information;

Here lyes Barbara Smith spouse to James Douglas in Killiyouir (my g.g.g.g-grandfather) who died - Dec.1711 aged 37 years. Also John Douglas (my g.g.g.g-grandfather) who died March 1756 aged 54 years. Also Elizabeth Mac-ahn- his spouse who died- 1755 aged 50. Also 3 of their children. Repaired by John Douglas, their son. This last John Douglas, was of course, the John Douglas in Muil, my g.g.g-grandfather, and he was married to Henriette McMorran, and so with one stone, I found three generations of my family.

Mrs Stammers had told me previously of the Hearth Tax records that could be obtained from the Ewart library at Dumfries. I sent for copies of the records for the parishes of Dunscore, Irongray and Glencairn. In 1983, I found the only Douglas in the parish of Dunscore was William Douglas of Collieston and his wife Nicolas Hunter, and another William Douglas in Collieston and his wife Jean Gilchrist. I presumed that the second William was the son of the first William as they were both resident in Collieston. On one of my many visits to the Mitchell Library in Glasgow, I discovered a

series of books giving the indices to wills and testaments. I was browsing through the Douglas entries when, to my astonishment, I found three entries as follows:

William Douglas of Collieston 1681, Jean Gilchrist, spouse of William 1678, and also John Douglas in Netherdown of Collieston 1756.

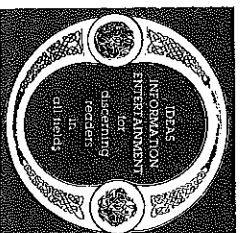
I immediately wrote off to the Record Office in Edinburgh, and in due course, received photo-copies of the wills. It took three months to translate the old Scottish handwriting; but I did it, and it gave me the information that William Douglas of Collieston was married firstly, name not given, and had a daughter Jean; secondly, to Jean Gilchrist and had William, Archibald, James (my g.g.g.g-grandfather), and Margaret; and thirdly, to Nicholas Hunter, and had Elizabeth and was expecting another child when he died. This will gave me the whole story of William, and the vital section about James was confirmed in the will of Jean Gilchrist. The third will was of John Douglas in Collieston, grandson of the above William, and this was the John Douglas who died in 1756, named on the Dunscore gravestone. The whole thing all tied up beautifully, but was this now the end of the story?

In 1984, I was re-reading Adams History of the Douglas Family, and I came across a mention of James Grierson of Dalgomer. This immediately rang a bell as I remembered his name in the will of William Douglas of Collieston. On re-checking, I found that Grierson of Dalgomer owed Douglas £40. Further

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reading of Adams History, showed that James Grierson was married to Elizabeth Johnstone, who was the daughter of Robert Johnstone and his wife Barbara Douglas, and Barbara was a younger sister of Sir William Douglas of Cashogle. Was there a relationship there? It turned out that Sir William Douglas of Cashogle only had one son, a natural son called William. Could this William be William Douglas of Collieston? I checked the records carefully, and there are so many cross references that I am quite satisfied that William Douglas of Collieston was the natural son of Sir William Douglas of Cashogle. My proofs have been accepted by the Lord Lyon in Edinburgh for entry in his files, cross referenced to my family back to James Douglas, farmer in Brough, as

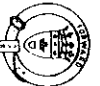
recorded on the Coat of Arms granted to me in 1969. The Douglasses of Cashogle were descended from the Douglasses of Drumlanrig, who were descended from the 1st and 2nd Earls of Douglas and Mar, who in turn, were descended from the first Baron Douglas, which takes my ancestry back to 1059 and perhaps before. These pages can never indicate all the diversions, side-tracks, and additional information not shown here, which have occurred during the fifty years or so it has taken me to trace this family tree. They can never show all the pleasure, and indeed, often excitement, and the many relations and good friends I have contacted which I would never have known if I had not wanted to know my ancestry.



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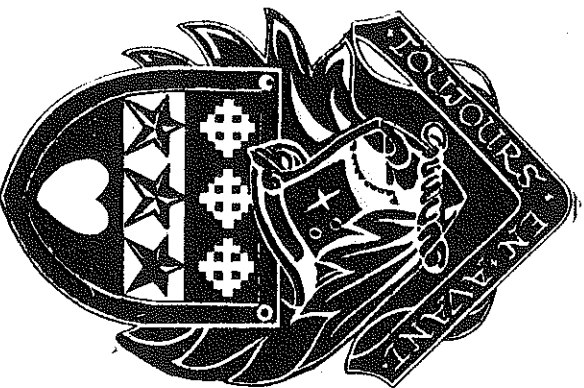
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NORMIE'S NOTES No.3.

Saint Brides Church, or the Church of Saint Bridget, is in the village of Douglas in Lanarkshire. Saint Bride is the patron saint of the Douglasses. There was a person of Douglas in 1203 and 1222 and the Church was rebuilt about 1390. There is a large vault underneath the Church in which are placed the coffins of the Duke and Duchess of Douglas and nine other members of the Douglas family. In the Church is the recumbent statue of The Good Sir James Douglas, 1298-1330. It is understood that this monument was erected by Sir James's son, Archibald, third Earl of Douglas about 1390. There is also a monument to Archibald, Duke of Touraine, fifth Earl of Douglas, who was Regent of Scotland. There is also a monument to Lord James Douglas, seventh Earl of Douglas and his Countess. There is also a magnificent marble monument by Boehm to Lucy Elizabeth Douglas, Countess of Home. There are also boxes containing the hearts of the Good Sir James Douglas and Archibald Douglas, Bell the Cat, fifth Earl of Angus. Outside the Church is a small octagonal tower dated 1618, which has a clock still working, which by tradition was presented to the Church by Mary, Queen of Scots on the occasion of her marriage with Lord Darnley in 1565. The old bell of the Church is dated 1609, and the bell in the tower is dated 1847.

NORMIE'S NOTES No.4.



# Ancient Scottish Family.

Arms of. NORMAN DOUGLAS F.S.A.  
OF DUNDARACH, SCOTLAND.

Description of the Coat of Arms granted to Norman Cairncross Douglas by the Lord Lyon, King of Arms, in 1969. The basic shield is Douglas, that is a shield with a background of argent (silver), with a chief azure ( the top horizontal third blue) with three mullets of the first (three silver five pointed stars). In the base a heart gules ( a red heart which was added to the Arms of Douglas when the Good Sir James carried the heart of King Robert the Bruce to the Holy Land after Bruce died.) Above this is another chief with background argent (silver) on which is three crossed crosslets gules ( three red crosses with each arm crossed) this being the Arms of Cairncross. Around all the above is a bordure or (a gold border) which is to show that my family is a cadet family of the Douglasses and to ensure that my family is a noble family, these Arms were granted to James Douglas my great-great-grand-father. No difference the Arms for granting to me, the bordure or is charged with a crescent and an annulet in dexter and sinister chief and in base a martlet all gules ( a red crescent to show my father was a second son, in top left, a red ring, top right, to show my grandfather was a fifth son, and at the bottom of the bordure a red bird to show that my great-grand-father was a fourth son. Above all this is placed a steel helmet faced with gold, and with an open visor ( this is equivalent to a feudal baron). From the helmet falls the mantling and torse of the livery colours ( blue and silver ) this was the silk cape worn to protect the steel armour from getting too hot in the sun. Above all this is my family motto Toujours en Avant ( which is Always in Front, which answers to the motto of the Chief of the Douglasses which is Jamais Arriere, Never Behind)

## RESEARCH QUERIES

DOUGLAS - James & Janet Haddow Wilson married 26th September 1865 at Fenwick, Ayrshire, Scotland. Issue: Francis, Agnes (both born Craigie Kilmarnoch), John S. born Dregthorn, Jane, James, William J., Hugh and Thomas all born Berth. Would anyone who can assist with information about the above family, please contact Mrs J. Jenkins, 28 Yeovil Drive, Romaderry, NSW.

DOUGLAS - Jane Teresa who married George Gee on the 2nd November 1853 at Paddington, NSW. If you can assist with information about the above couple or where they came from, please contact Mrs M.E.Ashton, 34 Charles St., Murwillumbah, NSW.

DOUGLAS James Williamson and Agnes Maxwell who married and eloped to Australia from Edinburgh 1850s. Could anyone assist a descendant of this couple with information concerning their ancestry? Please contact R.M.Douglas, 1 Howson Court, Mont Albert, Victoria 3127.

DOUGLAS Thomas John (birthplace possibly Dumfries) and Eliza Oglethorpe Taylor were married in Liverpool in 1898. A granddaughter, Mrs E.E.Skimming, 10/50 Darlington Road, Miramar, Wellington 3, New Zealand, requests information about their ancestry, or would like to contact any other descendants.

MORTON - Mr Islwyn G. Morton, 51 Faxon St., East Malvern 3145, Victoria, requests information from anyone who may have some advice regarding the location of the link between the Welsh and the Scottish Morton families. William Morton (had brother John) was married in Amwlch, Anglesey, Wales in 1820 to Jane Jones, his second wife. Their family consisted of John, Mary, Thomas, and by William's first wife, he had Hannah Ellen, Elizabeth, Mary, Godfrey, Jane, Ann and George (all births between 1808 - 1835)

KIRKPATRICK - Information requested for Janet, Nee Hunter - wife of Robert Kirkpatrick who died 1832, buried Tynron Dumfriesshire, Scotland. Janet, born circa 1786. Died 15th July, 1852 aged 66 at Carcoar, N.S.W. Issue - six sons, four daughters. Memorial to her in Carcoar Presbyterian Church. Death Certificate cannot be found by N.S.W. Registrar of Birth, Deaths & Marriages, and there is no trace of her grave.

Any information or photographs gratefully received. Mrs. L. Snedden, 130 High Street, Glen Iris, VIC. 3146.

DOUGLAS - Two brothers whose names were Curry Douglas and Frederick T. Douglas emigrated to Australia from Scotland about 1905 - 1910. Their father, Duncan Douglas died in 1905 in Scotland, trustee for his affairs was his brother John Campbell Douglas, uncle of Curry and Frederick T. Douglas. It is thought that Curry was killed in a railway accident.

Any information at all about the brothers would be appreciated by Norman Douglas of Dundarrach, Arrochar Dunbarton Shire, Scotland. G83 7DD.

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## NEWSLETTERS

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## WELCOME

### NEW MEMBERS :

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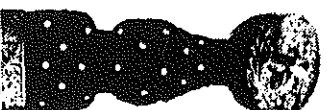
At the last Executive Meeting of C.D.A.A., it was decided that all members who joined before 30th September 1987, regardless of which month they joined, have now received all three newsletters so we are all now on an even keel. Anyone who has not already done so, needs to renew membership for the C.D.A.A. financial year 1st October 1987 - 30th September 1988. Please post \$10 membership renewal fee to the Treasurer, C.D.A.A., Mrs. E. Myers, 7 Paramount Tce., Morningside, Q. 4170. Phone (07) 399 7935.



### ODDS & ENDS

There once was a bonnie Scotch laddie,  
Who said as he put on his plaidie:  
"I've just had a dish  
O' unco' guid fish."  
What had he had? had he had haddie?

Among the less highly publicised aspects of the sale of the Duchess of Windsor's jewellery in Geneva this year was the Duke's Scottish dress dirk (above). At a cost of approximately £32,000, it was acquired for the nation by the Royal Armouries, where it is now on display. The dirk itself is engraved with the Prince of Wales's motto; its scabbard is decorated with silver mounts and also accommodates a small by-knife and fork.



### Iris

#### Other types of DOUGLAS,

*I. douglasiana* is a Californian iris of the innominata type, but it has strongly ribbed, broad foliage 1 to 2 ft long in clumps 2 ft or more across, and flowers up to 4 in. in diameter on 1 to 2 ft stems. Colours range mainly from pale lilac to deep violet, with great variety in markings. Cream and buff types also occur.

*I. douglasiana* and closely related species have been crossed with *I. innominata* to produce a beautiful range of Pacific Coast hybrids. These hybrids and *I. douglasiana* are grown under conditions suggested for *I. innominata*. Unlike innominata, they have comparatively broad rhizomes, and transplant more readily.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

21st February 1988 - Glenferney Scottish Fair at the Woolshed, Samford Road, Ferny Grove 10-00 a.m. A family day with Pipe Bands, Highland & Scottish Dancing displays. B.Y.O. Picnic or Barbecue or Lunch at The Woolshed for \$12. ALL C.D.A.A. MEMBERS ARE URGED TO BE THERE. We shall have a Clan Douglas tent manned by Committee, members and friends where everyone is most welcome.

30th April - 30th October 1988. Expo in Brisbane. If any interstate, overseas or Queensland country C.D.D.A. members wish to meet Brisbane C.D.D.A. members, or need assistance in some way, please contact committee members - Mr. Ian Douglas ph(07) 376 31 or Mrs. Jan Waller ph (07) 391 5857, or if you would like a guided tour of the Qld. Art Gallery (Schedule permitting) please phone Q.A.G. Voluntary Guide Mrs. Jan Shaw (07) 371

25th June 1988 BANNOCK BURN DINNER. Black Tie, all welcome. For further details contact the Caledonian Club, O'Connell St., Kangaroo Pt. Brisbane phone (07) 391 1543.

30th September 1988 - End of C.D.A.A. Financial Year. A reminder that membership fees are due.

Early October 1988 - (Date to be decided later in year) A.G.M./C.D.A.A. Members and friends welcome.

26th November - 10th December 1988 - International gathering of the Clans, Sydney. (See page 6) All members of C.D.A.A. are invited to attend this function. Make it your personal Bi-centennial project!

All members of C.D.A.A. are welcome to attend the functions listed above - as the Committee is Brisbane based, we hope that visiting members will join us and meet fellow clan kinsmen.

## NOTICE BOARD

### CLAN DOUGLAS SOCIETY OF NORTH AMERICA

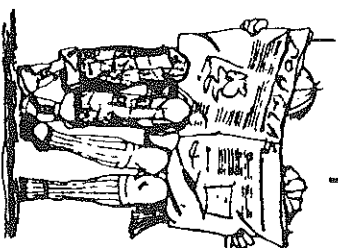
Members may be interested to know of the C.D.S.N.A. who have been in existence since 1975 and have accumulated some six hundred members during this period. They have been of great assistance to us in setting up our clan in Australia by way of advice regarding clan structure, etc.

Many Scots migrated to North America - perhaps some of your lateral ancestors migrated to this area of the world. They have a very good genealogical department and very interesting newsletters outlining the activities of the Douglasses in USA. If you feel this society can be of some help to you, you can become a member by writing to me with S.A.E. and I, as their regent in Australia, will forward you their membership application form. (Annual fee is \$21.00 Australian). Write to Ron Douglas, P.O. Box 1034, Toowoomba, Queensland, 4350. Australia.

I hope you all had a little 'family fun' with this quiz? Now that you have the answers, perhaps you can share it with a friend or neighbour. (Ed.)

## Answer Sheet:

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|----|---|----|---------------------------------------|
| 1  | 26 letters of the alphabet                  | 13 | 20000 leagues under the sea           |
| 2  | 7 wonders of the ancient world              | 14 | 3 blind mice                          |
| 3  | 1001 Arabian nights                         | 15 | 4 quarts in a gallon                  |
| 4  | 12 signs of the zodiac                      | 16 | 24 hours in a day                     |
| 5  | 54 cards in a deck (with the jokers)        | 17 | 1 wheel on a unicycle                 |
| 6  | 9 planets in the solar system               | 18 | 5 rings form the Olympic symbol       |
| 7  | 88 keys on a piano                          | 19 | 57 Heinz varieties                    |
| 8  | 13 stripes on the American flag             | 20 | 11 players in a cricket team          |
| 9  | 32 degrees farenheit at which water freezes | 21 | 1000 words that a picture is worth    |
| 10 | 18 holes on a golf course                   | 22 | 29 days in February in a leap year    |
| 11 | 90 degrees in a right angle                 | 23 | 64 squares on a chess board           |
| 12 | 200 dollars for passing go in monopoly      | 24 | 40 days and nights of the great flood |



# Fun

Q: "Why can't a bicycle stand up?"

A: "Because it is too tired."

There was a young lady named Wemys  
Who, it semys, was afflicted with dremys.  
She would wake in the night

And, in terrible fright,

Shake the bemys of the house with her scremys.

## DONATE NOW !

### A CHAIR FOR THE STUDY OF SCOTTISH HERITAGE. LANGUAGE, LITERATURE AND MUSIC.

As we approach the celebration of 200 years of Scots contribution to the development of Australia, it is a sad reflection on those Australians who are of Scots descent, unlike, many other ethnic communities, there has not been a body established at any university in Australia dedicated to the study of our Scots heritage, language, literature and music.

To redress this sorry situation an appeal has now been established to set up a "chair" at a university in Australia for this very purpose. This "chair" will provide for a professor and support staff to be allocated to a department at the university.

As the cost of establishing this "chair" will be in the vicinity of \$800,000 all the Celtic communities - such as the Irish, Scots, Welsh and Cornish have combined in an attempt to raise necessary funds by 1988.

Your support is needed to ensure that we Scots are not found wanting!

Donations may be made to the Treasurer, P.O. Box 253 Potts Point, 2011. Cheques made payable to the Chair of Celtic Studies should be marked "not negotiable". All donations over \$ 2-00 are tax deductible.

It is usual practice for such "chairs" to be named after the major donor.

# Activists ignore achievements

AFTER 200 years of European settlement in Australia and 87 years of nationhood one could have expected a measure of national maturity. The continuing aboriginal protests of bicentennial celebrations and the amount of media attention these receive do not indicate a national cohesiveness or maturity.

There is a very negative aspect about these protests. The focus is on wrongs which were inflicted many generations ago. The aboriginal activists choose to ignore the inevitability of European settlement and development. They ignore the massive government assistance which far exceeds that extended to non-aborigines in similar financial circumstances.

They also ignore the positive part their people took in developing the nation and continue to play today.

It appears that the wish of the activists is to entrench animosity and division within the Australian community.

All of us should be able to see the dangers of

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Jack Douglas

CU President

perpetuating animosity because of historical wrongs. The examples in Ireland and Palestine are clear.

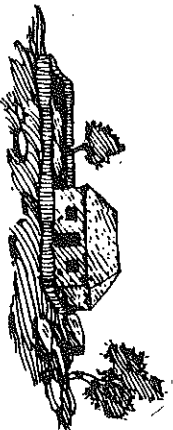
The Cattleman's Union includes in its membership a number of aboriginal owned and operated cattle stations with many thousands of cattle. We are quietly and positively encouraging these people to take an active part in the organisation.

From the experience I have had talking to large groups and individuals of aboriginal descent, I believe what they lack most is pride and self respect.

Queensland Country Life, January 28, 1988

C.D.A.A Member no. 219.

## A NOTE FROM YOUR EDITOR



The 1988 Bi-centenary is an exciting year for all Australians. Many of us are researching and documenting our own Family History, and we discover when, how, where our ancestors arrived in Australia, we also become aware of the part they played in making Australia what it is today. Everybody contributed in some way, some were well known other not known at all - perhaps members would like to contribute to this newsletter a short history or anecdote of an early ancestor as a bi-centennial tribute.

By learning more of our early ancestors and finding previously unknown relations, we are all becoming more family-minded. By belonging to a clan this family-mindedness and comradeship is extended and kinship and fellowship strengthened. I see the recent interest and increased membership in Clan Societies as a counter-reaction to the breakdown of family relationships in our present Society. If this is what our Clan Association is about then we in 1988 are heading towards "togetherness" and strength through family unity. I welcome and encourage family unity and kinship in 1988 and hope that when the Birthday Celebrations are over, the feeling will remain.

Jan Shaw - Editor.

P.S.

My own personal Bi-centennial undertaking is to sail on a First Fleet re-enactment Tall Ship, from Newcastle to Brisbane 8th - 15th May. I want to experience something of the adventurous spirit of my Douglas ancestors who sailed similar square-rigged vessels in the 18th & 19th centuries. More about that later if space permits. - (Ed.)

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