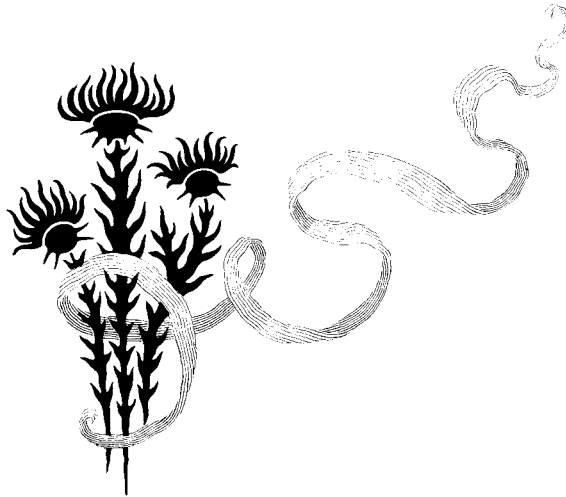




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EDITORIAL

Euan McGillivray

The main emphasis in this 45th Clan MacGillivray Journal is about the much anticipated International Clan Gathering in Scotland, July 2024.

Clan gatherings in Scotland have been a great opportunity for Australians with Scottish ancestry to reflect on our history and heritage. Our family connections to the highlands and lowlands of Scotland are broad and diverse. This has been demonstrated through the past two journals where we published about 30 members' stories relating to 'Place' and 'Identity'. Those lively stories showed above all a love for Scotland, although with a recognition that, with one exception, we

were not Scottish nationals or born there.

Our Clan Commander referred to the postponed 2020 gathering as a 'homecoming' opportunity for the MacGillivray Scottish diaspora. Gatherings have had an expected outcome that a shared identity will dominate our emotions. However, while being a thrilling time to meet clansfolk from many parts of the world, it could be a confusing time mixed with conflicting emotions about a Scottish ancestry handed down by our great-grandparents. For myself, I need to compare that pride in a wider clan history with a growing knowledge about the effects colonisation has brought to Australia. Pre-eminent historian, Manning Clark, wrote in 1988, 'no human being can ever know heart's ease in a foreign land, because in a foreign land there live foreign spirits. We white people are condemned to live in a foreign country where we have no ancestral spirits'.



Post card, front and inside, produced by the International Association to recognise the cancelled 2020 Gathering.



Medallion, front and rear view, produced by the International Association and sent to all members and friends who had booked to attend the 2020 Gathering in Scotland.

I look forward to returning to Scotland for the 2024 Gathering and like many other members recall that the planning was well underway for a very exciting gathering in 2020. Over 30 Australian members and friends had booked to be part of the celebrations. Covid put an end to all that planning. Some of those who booked may have lost some money through cancellations of flights and accommodation bookings. We all know that from Australia the earlier we book, we often can get the better deals. Many of those booked for the 2020 Gathering had been eagerly anticipating the journey. Some for the first time, others were seasoned travellers to Scotland but were just as excited by the opportunities set out in the program. The International Association Secretary, Elizabeth McGillivray had put many hours into the planning, as had a past President of the Association Blair MacGillivray.

When the time came to finally cancel the event, few were more disappointed than our Commander, Iain. He and his

family had invested a substantial amount of time in planning for, what Iain called, a 'homecoming' for clan members from many parts of the world.

That was then. Now we have an event in 2024 to look forward to. While the program is still being developed for this event, we thought it might be interesting for our members and friends to look back at the way previous International Clan Gatherings have been reported in our Clan Journal.

We are re-telling the stories printed in past Journals beginning with the first gathering in 1992. Most of the stories were written by our long term Commissioner, the late Peter McGillivray, who attended three gatherings in Inverness and the surrounding highlands. You will feel the sense of enjoyment Peter shared with his fellow delegates and the somewhat hectic pace required to participate in all the planned activities. When we spend all that money getting to Scotland, we want to make the most of the time!

We also have a special re-telling of the Band of Union Commemoration, in 2010, by President Jill McGillivray. While this was not strictly speaking a MacGillivray gathering, clansfolk from many parts of the world participated in this significant event due to our connections to Clan Chattan. MacGillivrays were part of the commemoration and got together to unveil a plaque at Dunlichity Church which marked our role in the ceremony of the Band of Union signing, 1609.

The story of Max McGillivray, champion surfer, is also part of this edition of our Journal. Max is a 12-year-old boy who began surfing on Main Beach in Evans Head, NSW with his sister and dad. His proud aunt, Gillian Forrester sent an update about Max and his outstanding success which we are very pleased to publish. We hope you enjoy this 45th edition of our Clan Journal. As always, we are keen to get stories from members or friends relating to their families of Scottish heritage.



MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHIVISTS

Lynda Collier

Enquiries this past year have been mainly from non-members of whom a majority joined the clan. They ranged from most areas that our McGillivray families came from in Scotland.

Some tips for beginners: When beginning your research start with yourself and work back through your family. If you have older relatives talk to them and find out what they know and any documentation they may have. Obtain birth, marriage and death certificates from the respective state or national organisations. Here in Victoria we are very lucky as to the detail that is contained on our certificates, however remember they are only as good

as the person's knowledge who provided the information. People didn't always know or choose to give the correct information.

Once you get back to Scotland the Scotlands people website (scotlandsppeople.gov.uk) is a great resource (pay to view) for birth, death and marriage certificates, census copies, wills, parish records, kirk session records and some land records.

Local archive offices and family history societies will also have further information including memorial inscriptions. Scotlandsplaces (scotlandsplaces.gov.uk) is another good website and the National Records of Scotland website (nrscotland.gov.uk) and the National Library of Scotland (nls.uk) - invaluable for maps (not only of Scotland).

This is not an exhaustive list of websites but of some of the most useful for you. Good luck with your research and let us know what you find.

Iain MacGillivray
Commander, Clan MacGillivray
Invites members, family and friends to the

**Clan MacGillivray International
Association Gathering**
Inverness, Scotland 17-20 July 2024

Program to be announced, but will include:

- ▶ Tours of significant clan sites
- ▶ Reception, dinners & luncheons
- ▶ Ceilidh - music, singing, dancing, storytelling
- ▶ Presentations by prominent Scottish & clan historians
 - ▶ Inverness Highland Games
- ▶ Macgillivray Pipe Band of Thunder Bay, Canada, established 1917



SHARING MEMORIES



MCGILLIVRAY SURFING CHAMP

Gillian Forrester

Max McGillivray is a 12 year old boy living in Evans Head with his parents, Mick and Trene, and his 10 year old sister, Mia. Max lives next to the beach and has been surfing since he was 6 years old. His father's adult life has been mostly spent on the ocean recreational and commercial fishing, surfing, jet skiing and diving.

Mick's passion for the ocean began at a young age sailing with his dad, Howard McGillivray. Mick has skippered prawn trawlers in the Gulf of Carpentaria from his early twenties and continues to do this once per year whilst also managing their Evans Head Fishing Charters. Katrina (née Davey) hails from Seymour in Victoria and is busy managing the business and the family. The two free spirits met in Evans Head after she travelled around Australia as a rouseabout, Torres Strait trawler deckhand and horticulturist. Mia, his sister, has also competed in surf comps and loves skateboarding and her tribe of guinea pigs.

Max began surfing on Main Beach in Evans Head with his sister and dad. He joined the local Halftide Board Riders club and began winning monthly competitions. At the age of 8, Max practised before and after school with dad taking him 'out the back' to bigger waves which prepared him to compete in and win 'grom' competitions around NSW and Queensland.



Max in action. Image: Lighthouse Sports Photography



Max McGillivray and friends after winning the Skullcandy Oz Grom Comp in Lennox Head July 2022. Image: supplied

When Max was 9, the family travelled to Yallingup, Western Australia, to enable Max to compete at a national competition. This Billabong Taj Small Fries competition is renowned as the biggest and best grom comp in WA, attracting the best young surfers from around Australia. Max won the under 10s and placed second in the under 12s. He was recognised by Taj Burrows, the event organiser and surfing legend, and was offered Billabong sponsorship based on his performance at this comp.

During breaks in 2020/21 COVID lockdowns, Max videoed his surfing and submitted some of these to the YETI National Online Titles, which was judged and presented by Australian surfing legend, Mick Fanning. Max won under 14s as a 12-year-old competitor.

Max has built skill in surfing various wave types and conditions through travelling to Nias and Bali in Indonesia, West Sumatra, Bells Beach and Margaret River. In March this year, he travelled with a small group of young Australian and American surfers to Oahu in Hawaii's North Shore to experience big barrel pipeline surfing. This Billabong Bloodlines program has

the group stay at the beachfront Billabong Surf House on Ehukai Beach and provides coaching from elite and world-renowned Hawaiian and Californian surfers, such as Shane Dorian, Rainos Hayes, Micah Moniz and Keanu Asing.

The Australian government has funded Surfing Australia to develop young surfers for the world stage and future Olympic competition via a talent identification program. Max was successful in being selected from a pool of 9 outstanding surfers. This Irukandji program provides him access to expert talent development, coaching, use of the high-performance training staff and equipment, surf training trips and mentorship.

Max has a number of talented mentors who include Callum Robson, an Evans Head surfer, who is ranked 10th on the World Surf League (WSL) and recently won the Gold Coast Pro. Max would like to meet Callum's friend the pro South African surfer, Matthew McGillivray, who is ranked 13th on the WSL.

This July, Max won the Skullcandy Oz Grom Comp under 14s competition, as a 12-year-old, which moved him into the number 1 ranking for both the NSW state and Australian national under 14 year olds. Max's goal is to compete on the World Tour which just so happens to be the realisation of his father's dream for him. His aunty (me!) hopes to watch him as a 22-year -old at the Brisbane Olympics in 2032. If you'd like to follow Max's progress you can find him on Instagram @max.m.mcgillivray

Note: 'grom' is used to refer to a young surfer who's going far and aiming to turn pro.

For those interested in his McGillivray ancestry:

Father:
Michael McGillivray
(1974- Ipswich, QLD) Fisherman.
Wife- Katrina Davey

Grandfather:
Howard McGillivray
(1945-Sydney) RAAF Pilot.
Wife- Frances Langley (div), Susan Swindell

Great Grandfather:
Ronald Ellis McGillivray
(1915 Sydney-1998 Kincumber)
RAAF Pilot.
Wife- Irene Oldfield-Sykes

2nd Great Grandfather:
Donald McGillivray
(1865 Nairn, Scotland- 1954 Taree, NSW)
Farmer and Draper- came to Australia at age 18.
Wife- Sarah Askew (dec) Minnie Ellis (NZ)

3rd Great Grandfather:
Kenneth McGillivray
(abt 1837 Fodderty, Scotland-1921?)
Farm servant at Lethen Mill Farm,
Fornightly, Scotland.
Wife- Flora Shaw

4th Great Grandfather: ?

If you have any information regarding our McGillivray ancestry please be in touch.
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Howard McGillivray, Gillian Forrester (McGillivray), Nora Lauritzen, Ben Forrester, Mick McGillivray, Max McGillivray, Matt Forrester, Clare Forrester, Katrina McGillivray, Mia McGillivray. Image: supplied



CLAN CONNECTIONS - ITALY AND AUSTRALIA

Mary McGillivray

During a research trip to Italy in April this year, I had the pleasure to reconnect with Italian clan members Gianni and Patrizia Lombardi, who I visited back in 2017 with my mother Ann Hurley.

Gianni – an excellent Roman Host – took me on a tour of twentieth-century sites of his home city, which included the Olympic village from the 1960 Games, the

magnificent three stages of the Auditorium Parco della Musica and the breathtaking Mosque of Rome (which he informed me was the largest Mosque in Western World).

Patrizia cooked us a beautiful lunch and the couple endured my attempts at the Italian language, watched over by a portrait of Gianni's McGillivray ancestor and Merlino, their gigantic ginger cat.

Editor's note: Simon was the last of nine children of Donald Roy McGillivray, tacksman of Achmalodal on the Dunmaglass Estate, and Ann McTavish who are buried in the Chiefly Enclosure at Dunlichity Church, Strathnairn, Scotland.



Mary McGillivray (Clan Media Manager), Patrizia, Merlino and Gianni, Rome 2022. Image: Mary McGillivray



FROM TEANGUE TO AUSTRALIA, A TALE OF TWO RELATED FAMILIES

Lynda Collier

Marion McGillivray was born about 1800 at Sleat on the southern end of the Isle of Skye. No parish records survive prior to 1813. Marion was the daughter of Archibald McGillivray and Ann MacIvor. She lived on the farm of Teangue that looked over toward the Scottish mainland. She was my three times great aunt. Marion married Ewen, also known as Hugh McIntosh on 3 March 1829 at Sleat. They were both from Teangue. In the 1841 census the McGillivrays were living alongside the McIntosh families and the Campbells, all relatives.

Marion and Ewen had five children all born at Teangue: Janet in 1830, Flora in 1832, John in 1834, Catherine in 1838 and Archibald Donald in 1841. Times were hard, it was the time of the potato famine and of sheep being imported on to the lands of the Highlands including the Isle of Skye. Their daughter Janet married Alexander McInnes on 20 March 1849 at Strath on Skye. Their first child was born there in February 1851.

Marion's husband Ewen died of pneumonia prior to the 1851 census. At the time of the census Marion was the head of the household but had no occupation. Marion applied to migrate to Australia as part of the Highland and Island Emigration Society scheme (HIES).

The passenger lists contain the following information: names of the emigrants arranged in family groups, recording



Teangue, Sleat, Isle of Skye. Image: Lynda Collier.

surnames, forenames, age, residence and the estate they came from. There were sometimes notes on their health, appearance and 'situation'.

Marion's husband's older brother Archibald McIntosh had migrated to Australia on board the *Henry Porcher* in 1840. The *Henry Porcher* had sailed from the Isle of Skye arriving in Sydney on 31 January 1840. He was a blacksmith and travelled with his wife Margaret and children, Donald, Mary and Jessie. His son Alexander remained on Skye. A third child Jessie had died shortly after their arrival in Sydney.

Archibald travelled south to Victoria to modern day Sale in Gippsland. He was there by 1844 and was reputed to be the first white settler. He established his Flooding Creek property there which was later renamed Sale.

Back to Marion and her four younger children. They left Ardvasar on Skye on the steamship the *Clansman* travelling firstly to Glasgow then to Liverpool where they boarded the *Priscilla* on 13 October 1852. The *Priscilla* was the 10th ship of the HIES. There were thirty-six of the 110 inhabitants of St Kilda also on the *Priscilla*. In an autobiography by Malcolm McQueen who was from St Kilda and travelled on the *Priscilla* we have the following:

'We left St. Kilda in a sailing ship belonging to Mrs. Sarah MacDonald and came to Skye. We called at Harris. We were about a fortnight in Skye and neighbourhood. From there we went by steamer to Glasgow.

We were there some 24 hours and shipped aboard a steamer to Liverpool. We were there some three or four weeks and shipped aboard the Priscilla bound for Port Phillip,



Pier at Isle D'Ornsay, Sleat, Isle of Skye, where some of the early emigrant ships left from Skye. Image: Lynda Collier.

We saw no land or vessel till we came near The Heads after 13 weeks. Three weeks after leaving, measles broke out and many died, about 80 old and young- largely owing to the ignorance of the doctor. He used to drive them on deck and they would be dead the next morning. At last the passengers rebelled and refused to allow the doctor to have his way: no-one died after that. I was the last man to take ill with it. My mother was laid up at the same time as I was. A young widow and another woman were very kind. Frank MacKenzie and Alex MacDonald were very kind to me. They did not live long after getting here.

On our arrival we were placed in quarantine. Passengers were landed at the Quarantine Station but those who were ill were kept aboard and the vessel was made a quarantine hulk. Scarlet fever was aboard when we arrived. Many who were well when landed got ill at the quarantine station and most of them died '.

Thirty-one people died on the trip out and another eleven whilst at the quarantine station. Passengers from the *Ticonderoga* were at the quarantine station, this ship had lost many passengers to typhus. Marion's family remained in Melbourne for a fortnight, how much of that time was in quarantine I'm not sure.

Marion's brother-in-law Archibald McIntosh had come to Melbourne to meet them. They then sailed by the schooner, the *Meg Merrilees* from Williamstown to Port Albert. On board with them were John Hood, William Hamilton, Father Moore, the first Roman Catholic priest in Gippsland, his nephew Maurice Moore who opened the first RC school in Gippsland, Robert Turnbull, Mrs Dale and baby and Archibald McIntosh. According to family papers there were only a few scattered houses at Port Albert. There was no store, the first one opened in 1854 by John Roberts. There was one hotel and one policeman .

Marion and her sons John and Archibald Donald (he was particular about his full name being used) had rented land at Broadlands (near Sale) from 1867 and applied to purchase it in 1872. Marion's and Archibald Donald's portions were adjacent and both 78 acres, 2 roods and 38 perches and Johns was 80 acres. There was a slight hiccup with Johns' plan to purchase the land as there was a record of a John McIntosh being insolvent but he was able to show that it wasn't him and the sale proceeded.



John McIntosh, son of Marion McGillivray. Image supplied.

Archibald Donald had gone to work at Mallee Cliff station near Wentworth on the Victorian- NSW border and died there in 1876 aged 30. His brother John erected a headstone there for him. Mallee Cliffs is now a national park. He wrote a will the day he died leaving his land to his brother John with the sheep and cattle but left his brown filly to his brother-in-law William Bain Ross, a jeweller and watchmaker in Bairnsdale. If John died without issue the inheritance was to go to his nephew Hugh Duncan MacFarlane, however John outlived him.

Marion's eldest daughter Janet also migrated to Australia. She travelled with her husband Alexander and his mother and their young son to Sydney on board the *Ontario* in 1852, also part of the HIES. I love the information that was sometimes included on these lists – here Janet is the sister-in-law of Norman Cameron whose family was listed above them on the list. Norman was said to be 'a most useful man'. It was the maiden voyage for the *Ontario* but typhoid struck the ship one month out of Liverpool. Jonathan Jackson the master of the ship died of typhoid which also killed thirty-six passengers and two other crew members. There were 170 cases of typhoid on board. The ship arrived at Port Jackson on 26 November 1852 and was kept in quarantine until 15 December. A further eight people died during that time and were buried at North Head Quarantine Cemetery.

Norman Cameron and his son Donald both died during the journey out on the *Ontario*. Several of the families from the *Ontario* made their way north to the Clarence River including the remains of the Cameron family.

Janet and Alexander went on to have nine children, eight born in Australia. Donald

and Mary Ann were baptised at Hinton just north of Newcastle in 1854. Hugh was born about 1857 and Janet about 1860. The last children were all born in Grafton: Marion in 1861, Archibald in 1866, Margaret in 1868 and Catherine in 1871. Janet died in 1904 at Maclean in the Clarence River region. I don't know what contact if any, she may have had with her family in Victoria.

Marion McGillivray died at Glenmaggie in Victoria on 11 October 1885. She was buried in Sale cemetery. She was 84 years old and died of exhaustion from old age.

Her daughter Flora married Malcolm MacFarlane, an early settler of East Gippsland. Flora died in 1905 and was buried in Glenmaggie cemetery with her husband Malcolm. Catherine married William Bain Ross in 1863. He had arrived in Tarraville in 1855 and had run a coach service between there and Seaton before working as a watchmaker and jeweller. Catherine was the author of notes describing their journey out and of early people and life in their part of Gippsland. She died in 1920 in Balwyn, aged 80. John died in 1921 in Bairnsdale, aged 85 years. He never married and was buried in Sale cemetery.

Charles Campbell and Christina McDonald

Charles Campbell was the son of Ann McGillivray and Samuel Campbell. He was my first cousin five times removed.

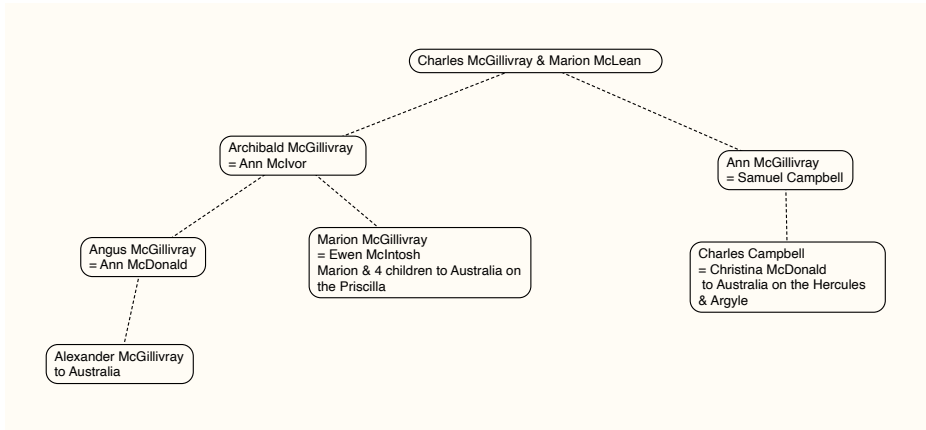
Charles was born about 1791 at Sleat. He was married firstly to Effy McIntyre in 1813 and after she died he married Christina known as Christy McDonald in 1821. She was the daughter of Donald McDonald and Mary McGillivray. He had two daughters with Effy: Margaret and

Anne. He had a further ten children with Christy: Catherine, Samuel, Mary, Effy, Donald, Christy, Euphemia, Archibald, Ann and Alexander. In 1841 and 1851 they were living at Teangue, Sleat. In 1841 he was an agricultural labourer and in 1851 a farmer of five acres.

They applied to emigrate to Australia as part of the HIES scheme and were allocated to the *Hercules*. On the *Hercules* passenger list Charles was described as a 'hale, robust man' and that they were a 'very fine family'. Charles and Christy travelled with nine of their children including his daughter Ann from his first marriage. They ranged in age from ten to twenty-eight. Charles was fifty and Christy forty-three. They were living at Sasaig, Sleat at the time.

The emigration committee had put a supply of Gaelic and English bibles and testaments and other books on board for the use of the emigrants. There were also 300 Gaelic psalm books and catechisms put on board at Portree. 1000 items of clothing were to be put on board the ship for the use of the emigrants. As the cost of sending the emigrants on board the *Hercules* was half of that of sending them by freight ships the commissioners had reduced the deposits of the emigrants to half the normal amount for married persons and less for single women, 10s instead of £1.

The emigrants were taken from North Uist, Harris and the Isle of Skye by the steamboat the *Celt*. They embarked on the *Hercules* at Campbeltown in Argyllshire from where she sailed on 26 December 1852. On the night after they departed there was a terrible storm. After being at sea for six days and being buffeted by the bad weather the *Hercules* put into Rothesay harbour where she stayed for a fortnight. After she had been out to sea for



Charles McGillivray and Marion McLean family tree.

about six days smallpox broke out. She had already been scheduled to put in at Cork where mail and water were to be taken on board. On arrival at Queenstown the yellow fever flag was raised. A week later eleven of the patients were landed and taken to Haulbowline but the disease spread. Then typhus broke out and the naval authorities wouldn't admit the patients to Haulbowline and therefore they had to be kept on board the ship. The people of Cork were understandably terrified and wouldn't allow anyone to land. Therefore they couldn't fumigate the ship. Finally the military authorities found an institution that was available and they transferred everyone there separating the healthy from the sick. They then cleaned and fumigated the ship and sent it on its way with the healthy emigrants.

The *Hercules* was an old 74 gun ship with two decks which was originally launched in 1815. After the tragic circumstances the government enquiry found that they should never put so many people on board one ship and that they shouldn't use a two decked vessel .

Fifty-six people died there including the surgeon Dr Carey of the Royal Navy and Mrs McInnes, the matron. Sadly her husband also perished leaving their children orphans .

Perhaps tellingly Tom Devine wrote in his book 'The Great Highland Famine' that Sir Charles Trevelyan in September 1853 wrote to the publisher of the journal written by the purser from the HMS *Hercules* and asked them to be 'broken up without any copies being run off other than the six proofs already sent to him' .

Back to the Campbell family. Archibald was sick on 9 February but recovered. Both of their daughters called Anne were also sick but both recovered. Two of Charles and Christy's children did die, Samuel of smallpox aged 27. He 'suffered very much, left father & mother quite helpless'. Their daughter Euphemia died on 22 April at Cork.

The *Hercules* continued from Cork on the 14th of April 1853 with 380 emigrants on board. 305 emigrants were put onto twelve other ships. Seventeen people

returned to their homes, apparently mostly made up of two MacDonald families from North Uist. Three of Charles and Christy's daughters proceeded on the Hercules, Mary, Catherine and Ann with the rest of the family travelling on the Argyle. The three sisters wouldn't have known that their sister Euphemia had died until their parents arrived in Victoria. The Argyle departed Plymouth on the 25 July 1853 and arrived in Melbourne on 15 October the same year.

Seven more people died on the Hercules journey to Australia. She arrived in South Australia on 26 July where 194 people disembarked, then on to Victoria where 183 disembarked. She continued to Hong Kong where she was to become a floating barracks.

Charles' daughter Ann from his first wife died three years after they arrived in Victoria in 1857. She was 38 years old. His wife Christy died on 2 December 1876 in Havelock of old age. She was 78 years old. Five of her ten children had pre-deceased her. A definitive death has not been found for Charles but he was said to be deceased when Christy died in 1876.

Of their children Catherine married James McDonald and they had six children. She died in Wallan in 1905. Donald married Flora McPherson and they had five children living in Murchison. He died in 1895. Christy married Kenneth McKenzie and they had four children living in the Gisborne/Bulla area. She died in 1914. Archibald married Jane Ann Elder and they had six children. They lived in Kyabram. He died in 1925 in Brunswick. Ann married William Patrick Whyte and they had four children. They lived in Mooroopna then Numurkah where she died in 1933.

¹Highland and Islands Emigration Society Passenger List (HIES), HD4/5, page 53 of 233, Scotlandspeople.gov.uk

²E. Richards, *Britannia's Children*, Hambleton and London, London, 2004

³Notes by Catherine McIntosh

⁴HIES, HD4/5, page 82 of 233, Scotlandspeople.gov.uk

⁵The Illustrated London News - various

⁶Minutes of Evidence taken before the select committee on Emigrant ships, 20 March 1854, Reports from Committees, Volume 13, p 35-39

⁷<http://www.angelfire.com/ns/bkeddy/HIES/hercules3.html>

⁸HMS Hercules Scottish Emigrant Ship 1853 by W B Clarke, 1999

MEMORIES OF PAST GATHERINGS



GATHERING 1992

Peter McGillivray

In August, almost 100 members of Clan MacGillivray gathered in Inverness, Scotland, in response to a call from our Commander, Col George B Macgillivray, who himself was sadly unable to attend due to ill health. Clanfolk came from Canada, USA, New Zealand, Holland, Australia and various parts of the UK. There is no doubt that each one felt uplifted by the wonderful spirit of kinship and fellowship that prevailed throughout.

Registration and dinner took place in Lochardil House Hotel and then followed four days of coach tours to many places of historic and scenic interest in our clan country and surrounding Highland beauty spots. The guide who gave us a memorable tour of the Culloden battlefield with such graphic and detailed description of all that took place on that fateful day in 1746, was dressed for the part and sounded as though he was really 'on our side'. It was fitting then to move on to the old church at Petty, where, under the doorstep, the body of our eighth Chief, Alexander was buried after being recovered from the battlefield. After lunch in Cawdor village, there was a talk by Alastair MacLeod, the Inverness genealogist, and then a tour of Cawdor Castle, the home of the feudal superiors of Dunmaglass for centuries.

The next day was a visit to the home of our clan, Dunmaglass. Here we were met



David and Peter McGillivray enjoying their time at Dunmaglass Mains. Image supplied.

by Robert and Pauline McGillivray, who as our guides for the day pointed out many features of the estate and told some of the district folklore. At Dunmaglass Mains, great slabs of stone were being trimmed for the erection of an impressive gateway. What a thrill it was to discover that the skilled stonemason demonstrating his craft was Jimmy MacGillivray.

A splendid lunch at the Grouse and Trout Hotel followed. This is a fine establishment in the heart of Strathnairn, now operated by Ronald MacGillivray and his family. The tour moved on to Dunlichity Church with its Chiefly enclosure and finally to Gask, which was once on MacGillivray property and where our Chief was said to have gathered his force before moving on to Culloden in 1746.



Battle of Culloden. An Incident in the Rebellion of 1745, an oil on canvas, painting by David Morier depicting the 1746. Image: Royal Collection Trust

The formal Clan dinner took place that evening. Clan Piper, Duncan MacGillivray of the Calrossie family gave a fine display of piping. He had just arrived from the prestigious Ceol Mor piping championship held annually at Dunvegan Castle on the Isle of Skye, and in which he was placed second. Clan Sennachie (storyteller in Gaelic), Robert, replied to the toast to the Clan in a fitting manner and the various national commissioners spoke of the efforts being made to bring clanfolk together in their countries.

The following two days brought further tours, and for some, attendance at the Annual General Meeting of the Clan Chattan Association. We enjoyed a colourful Field Sports Fair at Moy Hall, the home of the Mackintosh of Mackintosh. Finally there was a ceilidh at the Grouse and Trout, where rousing music was provided by a band led by our piper Duncan.



GATHERING 1997

Peter McGillivray

It will not be easy, in the space available to give those who were not there a complete picture of the great event held in and around Inverness at the end of July. Almost 150 delegates attended coming from eight different countries. Nine Australian members were joined by two from New Zealand to make the 'Anzac' contingent a formidable one.

The week-long program included visits to many historic sites, receptions, dinners, ceilidhs, the Highland Sports Fair at Moy Hall and as a finale, the Edinburgh Tattoo. It goes without saying the whole group spent some time on the restored battlefield at Culloden. We visited Dunmaglass Lodge in Strathnairn and Dunlichity Church. Many in the group were busily trying to picture, not too successfully, exactly where the farm had once been on the Estate. A number in the group had ancestors that came from Dunmaglass. Other places visited included, Fort George, Petty Churchyard, Cawdor Castle, Kirkton of Barevan' (where lies the grave of Elizabeth Campbell, the fiancée of Chief Alexander MacGillivray), the Benedictine Monastery at Fort Augustus, a cruise on Loch Ness and Boleskine, the magnificent home of Ronald and Annette MacGillivray at Foyers.

Most significant, however, for our Clan as a whole, were the two ceremonies associated with the unveiling and dedication of three granite memorial plaques to honour leading figures in our Clan's long and illustrious history. On Tuesday, 29 July, in the grounds of Petty Church, a plaque was unveiled in



Dunlichity Church, a memorable visit for many clansfolk. Image: Euan McGillivray.

memory of Alexander of Dunmaglass who was finally buried there after being killed at Culloden while leading the Mackintosh Regiment in its fateful charge against the Hanoverian Army. Hitherto his last resting place had gone unmarked. After an address by the United States Commissioner, Brice McGillivray, and dedication by Canon Stewart Mullin of St Paul's Episcopal Church, Strathnairn, Mrs Mary MacGillivray Cox performed the unveiling and Clan piper Duncan MacGillivray played the pibroch 'The Desperate Battle' – there was not a dry eye in the whole crowd following Duncan's most moving rendition. The plaques read as follows:

*ALEXANDER MACGILLIVRAY OF
DUNMAGLASS
'ALASDAIR RUADH NA FEILE –
GENEROUS RED-HEADED ALEXANDER
CHIEF OF HIS CLAN AND COLONEL OF
THE MACKINTOSH OR CLAN CHATTAN
REGIMENT
WAS BURIED ACROSS THE THRESHOLD
OF A FORMER CHURCH ON THIS SITE
HE WAS MORTALLY WOUNDED BY A
MUSKET SHOT WHILE LEADING
THE HIGHLAND CHARGE AT THE
BATTLE OF CULLODEN 16 APRIL 1746
AND DIED AT 'THE WELL OF THE DEAD'
HIS BODY WAS LATER RECOVERED
AND INTERRED HERE
PLACED IN PROUD REMEMBRANCE BY
THE CLAN MACGILLIVRAY JULY
17 1997*



Plaques commemorating Captain John William MacGillivray. Image: Euan McGillivray



Duncan MacGillivray, Northern Meeting Gold Medallist in 1997. Duncan's father Donald won the same medal in 1948. Image: Piping Press, London.



MacGillivray Chiefly Enclosure, showing many gravesites of Chiefs and family members. Image: Euan McGillivray

On this occasion, Clan piper Duncan played the pibroch 'The Big Spree'. George's plaque was appropriately unveiled by his sister Mrs Charlotte Macgillivray Amar.

On the following morning at Dunlichity Church, the customary burial place in Strathnairn for the Chiefs of our Clan, two further plaques were unveiled. One on the outer wall of the Chiefly enclosure to commemorate the late George B Macgillivray, the first Commander of the Clan, who had been so active in reviving and coordinating widespread interest in our Clan and revitalised its activities. It reads:

*THIS PLAQUE IS DEDICATED BY A
GRATEFUL CLAN
IN MEMORY AND APPRECIATION OF
COLONEL GEORGE BROWN
MACGILLIVRAY CD BA KCLJ
CEANN CATH COMMANDER OF THE
CLAN MACGILLIVRAY 1989-1994
JULY 1997*



Clan MacGillivray Chiefly Enclosure with plaque on right. Image: Euan McGillivray

We now come to the third plaque which was unveiled and dedicated. This plaque is inside the Chiefly enclosure and was done by Professor Gianni Lombardi, whose forebears are buried here. This plaque should have significance for all Australian members because our Society undertook to fund it in order to ensure that

the Clan honoured its last Chief, Captain John William MacGillivray who died in 1914. It reads”

*IN MEMORY OF CAPTAIN JOHN
WILLIAM MACGILLIVRAY
CHIEF OF HIS CLAN
13TH AND LAST OF DUNMAGLASS
DIED AT LONDON 18 DECEMBER 1914
AGED 50
DEDICATED BY CLAN MEMBERS JULY
1997*

These memorials now serve to commemorate three great figures in the history of our Clan and to indicate that they, and the tradition that they represent, are not forgotten by their present-day clansfolk. As Robert McGillivray has written (Clan Chattan, 1998) ‘they are a reminder to others that MacGillivrays were once a force in Strathnairn, even if none of the name now lives there, and they give tangible evidence that this distinguished Clan still cares.’

The visit to Boleskine, (Baile-Os-Ceann, in Gaelic) was of great interest. Opposite the property, on the shore of Loch Ness, is an ancient burial ground where many MacGillivrays were buried alongside Frasers. There is a memorial stone to the Lord Lovat who was executed for his part

in the 1745 Rising. He was the last peer of the realm to suffer this fate, however of more interest to us was the grave of one MacGillivray who has returned from Australia greatly enriched by his activities on the goldfields!

Boleskine House was built by the Frasers of Lovat and in 1815 it was left to the then Lord Lovat to his favourite grandson who owned it until his death in 1884. After years of neglect under a succession of owners it has been wonderfully restored by Ronald and Annette MacGillivray, who entertained our group in true Highland fashion.

The keynote speaker at the Clan Banquet at Lochardil House was Robert McGillivray. His address in response to the Toast to the Clan was a fine summary of our Clan history and current status. When a young clansman from the USA was asked what it felt like to be treading in the steps of his ancestors, he said ‘it makes my genes vibrate’. I’m sure that most who attended the gathering felt the same. This was especially so when at the Edinburgh Tattoo in response to a welcome from the commentator, over 100 MacGillivrays roared out as one our battle cry, ‘DUNMAGLASS,’



Gordon Scott, oil on canvas, 2021. Image: The Boleskine House Foundation, artist and former Boleskine House resident Gordon Scott produced this painting to help raise money to restore the masonry and roof to the house. Scott spent time at Boleskine House in the 1980s during Jimmy Page’s ownership. Page is a legendary musician with English rock bands The Yardbirds and Led Zeppelin.



GATHERING 2002

Peter McGillivray

For a short time after September 11 2001, it was thought that we may need to postpone this event. However, the cries of disappointment from around the world convinced the UK Commissioner, Ishbel, that we should go ahead as planned.

One hundred delegates, young and old, spent an enjoyable four days and five nights of great fellowship while visiting sites of historic interest to our Clan. We had rain and fog but this failed to dampen our enthusiasm. Just one week later several inches of rain fell in Inverness and the Thistle Hotel, venue for three of our dinners, was flooded with five feet of water throughout.

A great innovation at this gathering was a 'who's who' list which included names, addresses and a photo of each delegate which made recognition so much easier. It was an honour to be asked to assist in a wreath laying ceremony at Auld Petty Church. Five years earlier the Clan had unveiled a plaque commemorating the burial of Alexander of Culloden fame.

There can be no greater emotional experience for a MacGillivray than to stand on the bleak moor of Culloden. It is interesting to note that the National Trust for Scotland has recently spent 1.5 million pounds improving the visitor experience and historical accuracy of the information on display. Modern audio-visual presentations are to be installed and the present visitor centre, built in 1984 is to be replaced.



Annette and her son Blair MacGillivray at Boleskine, unveiled a cairn in the grounds in memory of Ronald who was President of the International Clan Association. Image supplied

Once again at Boleskine House on the shores of Loch Ness, we were entertained over lunch by Annette and her son Blair, and unveiled a cairn in the grounds in memory of Ronald, the inaugural Chairman of the Clan MacGillivray International Association. Ronald died in February 2002 and it is very pleasing to learn that his son Blair has agreed to follow in his father's footsteps as Chairman. The family were about to open their hotel/restaurant in Strathnairn, just a short distance from Dunmaglass. Once again there will be MacGillivrays living in the glen whence so many of our ancestors came. Formerly known as The Grouse and Trout, the hotel has now been renamed The Steadings and its dining room is the Clach an Airm, being named after the stone our fighting men were said to have sharpened their weapons prior to the battle of Culloden. At our church service at Dunlichity, host Ishbel urges us to raise the roof when the time came to sing.



Clan group gathered for a banquet at Lochardil House. Image supplied

The next day was significant in that all of us attended a lunch in the Clan Chattan tent while visiting the Highland Field Sports Fair at Moy Hall. Earlier in the day the Annual General Meeting of the International Association was held in a hall in Farr, Strathnairn. It was pleasing to have new members from the UK already discussing the next gathering in 2007. The formal banquet and other dinners were all enjoyable but the final dinner and ceilidh at Lochardil House remain in my memory as proof of a most successful and happy gathering. Some of us had attended all three gatherings, some were at their first, but all showed great interest in our Clan's history and a determination to keep it going.



Clan historian Robert and Commissioner Peter McGillivray looked stunning at the banquet. Image supplied.



2009 BAND OF UNION COMMEMORATION & GATHERING

Jill McGillivray

The signing of the Band of Union acted as an informal Clan Gathering in 2009. Our Australian President Jill made contact with many MacGillivrays while representing the Australian Clan at this significant event.

It was with tremendous pride that I represented our Australian Society at the 400 Year Commemoration of the signing of the Clan Chattan Band of Union – to recall the Contract and agreement of 1609

and renew those ties of amity, friendship and kindness.....

Together with my mother Rome, and sister Sue McGillivray-Jordan, I took part in all of the activities organised particularly for the Clan MacGillivray. The Band of Union had been signed at Termit near Inverness by 30 Chiefs and leading clansmen in 1609. Three busloads of clansmen and women from all over the world returned to the Termit area for the unveiling of the plaque to commemorate this event. The stone had been specially selected from the Mid Lairs Quarry at Daviot and is located at Morayston Farm, not far from Inverness.

Clan Chiefs in attendance included John Mackintosh of Mackintosh, Sir William Macpherson of Cluny, Alwyn Farquharson of Invercauld, James MacBain, of



Jimmy Gray, Provost of Inverness welcoming the Clan Chiefs. Left, Alan Maclean, John Mackintosh, Sir William (Cluny) MacPherson and Alwyn Farquharson. Image supplied.



Gianni Lombardi unveils a plaque in memory of the ancestors buried in the sacred place at Dunlichity Church. Image supplied.



Clan Piper and gold medalist, Duncan MacGillivray and his son Iain playing outside Dunlichity. Image supplied.

MacBain, and Chairman of Clan Chattan, Alan MacLean of Dochgarroch. The Provost of Inverness had witnessed the signing of the original bond, and his present day successor, Jimmy Gray was in attendance for the unveiling. Also present was Lord Lyon King of Arms, David Sellars, looking most resplendent in traditional garb.

It was a truly impressive sight with all the Clan banners flying, the pipes sounding and many of those present proudly wearing their clan tartans. Following the unveiling, we all returned to Inverness for a march through the capital of the Highlands – from Falcon Square/ Eastgate to the Eden Court Theatre. The marchers were greeted at the Inverness Town Hall by the Provost who then joined the march across the River Ness, past the Cathedral Church of St Andrew to Eden Court.

At Eden Court we enjoyed lunch in the Maclean room of the Bishops Palace, before being invited to sign the new Band of Union, written by Sir William Macpherson, a former high court judge. It was incredibly moving reading the names of clansmen and women

signing 'online' as we waited to add our signatures to this historic document in what was an impressive ceremony, linking all of us in the spirit of friendship and cooperation.

Present for the signing were Lord Lyon, Lt Col Douglas Young representing her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II and Roddy Balfour of Culoden and Ardersier. Among those signing 'online' were, Chief of the Clan Davidson, Alister Davidson of Davidson, Chief of Clan Shaw, John Shaw and Chief of Clan MacThomas, and a number of MacGillivrays from the United States and Australia.

That evening the Provost and his wife hosted us at a wonderful Civic Banquet in the beautiful Inverness Town House. The following day we attended the unveiling of a plaque on the walls of the MacGillivray Chiefly Enclosure at the Clan Church of Dunlichity by Professor Gianni Lombardi. Gianni has ancestors buried in the Enclosure.

Gold medallist Clan Piper, Duncan MacGillivray of Tain and his young son Iain, who had entertained us at the ceilidh



Jill McGillivray at the Clan Chattan plaque near Termit which commemorates the Band of Union. Image supplied

which concluded the first International Gathering of Clan MacGillivray in 1992, played for us at the unveiling.

This was followed by a very moving Kirkin of the Clan, organised by Ishbel McGillivray-McGregor, who had also organised the plaque ceremony and welcome dinner together with Annette MacGillivray and her son Blair, the Chairman of the International Association. Celebrant for the Kirkin was Father James Bell, who challenged us to find a new chief for the clan.

We were disappointed that we were unable to stay for the luncheon at the Grouse and Trout and impromptu concert by Duncan and Iain, but had committed to attend the Field Sports Day at Moy Hall and the annual meeting of Clan Chattan.

The field sports day is hugely successful, attended by thousands. Highlander Ray Owen gave a very moving presentation of the story of the Band of Union and we enjoyed lunch presented by Celia Mackintosh of Mackintosh in the Clan tent. A dinner and ceilidh at the Thistle Hotel concluded the day's activities.

The Commemoration celebrations had begun with a gathering at the Lochardil House Hotel, visit to the Culloden Visitors Centre, guided tour of the Battlefield and laying of the Clan Chattan wreath at the memorial Cairn by James MacBain. This was a most moving ceremony. Back at Lochardil House, Sir William MacPherson (Cluny) gave an informal talk on the Band of Union following a traditional Scottish high tea, which included haggis, neeps and tatties.

The final day saw us touring Clan Chattan territory, with a visit to the impressive memorial overlooking Moy to the late Lachlan Mackintosh of Mackintosh; back to Dunlichity Church and to the Macpherson Museum at Newtonmore. It was delightful to again meet up with clansfolk we had met on previous visits to Scotland and to meet new clansmen and women with an interest in our Clan and its heritage.

It really showed that the people of Clan Chattan make up our extended family.



GATHERING 2015

Gianni Lombardi

The Gathering kicked off on Wednesday 5th August with a welcome reception at the Kingsmill Hotel where the Clan's headquarters were located. Over 80 clansfolk joined together, with a strong contingent from the US, and Clan members from Scotland, England, Canada, Holland and Italy.

The next day was dedicated to a visit to the Culloden exhibition and battlefield with Alexander MacGillivray's Well of the Dead and the Clan MacGillivray's stone. Later on, we visited the Old Petty Kirk site, seven miles NE of Inverness. Here, near the Mackintosh Mausoleum, was buried the valiant Alexander MacGillivray, Commander of the Clan Chattan regiment in 1745.

In the evening, we were guests of the Farr Community Hall. Outside, in a beautiful sunny evening, we witnessed a performance by the pipers of the Duncan family, joined by William Peters, Master Corporal and piper of The Lake Superior Scottish Regiment of Thunder Bay (Ontario, Canada), which wears the MacGillivray tartan. A meaningful presence from a country where so many MacGillivrays emigrated and thousands of descendants live.

Friday was an eventful day. In the early morning we went to Clach An Airm, where the MacGillivrays, together with other Clan members, assembled to sharpen their swords, knives and dirks, even before the Culloden battle. From Clach An Airm we proceeded to the Dunlichity cemetery



Flora MacDonald welcomes visitors to Inverness. She was a member of Clan Macdonald of Sleat, best known for helping Charles Edward Stuart evade government troops after the Battle of Culloden.

and to the Chief's enclosure, where two Clan Chiefs are buried. Stone plaques connected with the recent life of Clan MacGillivray are mounted inside and on the outer wall of this enclosure.

A picnic lunch took place in an exclusive location: the 14,000-acre Dunmaglass estate, held by the MacGillivrays as early as the 16th century. Back to the hotel, an important meeting was held among all the MacGillivray participants to debate the future of the Clan, as our last Chief died in 1942. In various periods, a renewed search for Chief's heirs was carried out, but with no success. After a brief but intense debate, the meeting unanimously agreed on two lines of action: i) promoting our mission with appropriate means and get the Clan's associations involved, with a view to finding suitable candidates for the position of Clan Commander and, in the spring of 2016, organising a



Clan group at Dunlichity Church. Image: supplied



Dr Joseph Morrow, Lord Lyon King of Arms appointed by the late Queen Elizabeth II. Image: United Diocese of Moray, Ross and Caithness.



Past Secretary of the Clan MacGillivray International Association, and key organiser of the 2015 Gathering. Image: supplied

Derbhfine for a five-year period election; ii) intensifying the search for the Chief's line descendants, to explore the possibility of establishing a new Chief line.

In the evening, the Kingsmill Hotel hosted our traditional reception and ceilidh. With canapés on arrival including haggis and black pudding, bonbons, Cullen skink as a starter, Scottish beef, cranachan and shortbread, Highland fudge and the haggis ceremony, tradition was fully respected. The guest of honour was Dr. Joseph Morrow, recently appointed Lord Lyon King of Arms, who toasted to the Clan with an impressive speech, after the welcome address by Duncan MacGillivray, CMAI Chairman, the introduction of guests by Elizabeth N. McGillivray and the remarks by Dan Hyde, President of the Clan MacGillivray Society USA. Highland Music by the Clan's Piper Duncan MacGillivray and his family followed and the evening was crowned by traditional dancing and a final, choral, loyal toast to the Clan.



The happy crowd on the front lawn of the Dunmaglass Estate. Image: Elizabeth McGillivray

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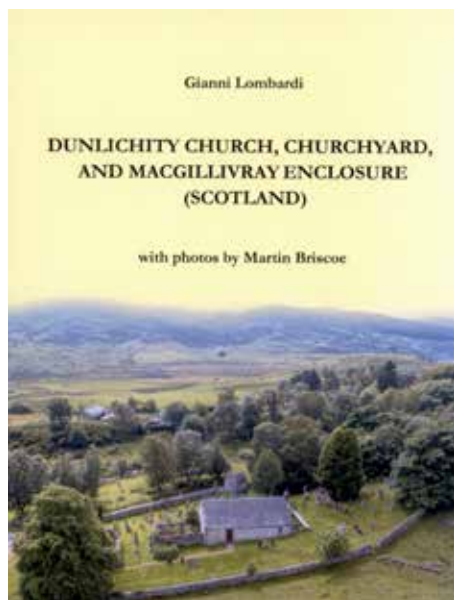


DUNLICHITY CHURCH, CHURCHYARD AND MACGILLIVRAY ENCLOSURE (SCOTLAND)

Gianni Lombardi



Gianni Lombardi unveiling a plaque, 30 July, 1997.
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Cover photo: From the north, an aerial view of the Dunlichity Church and Churchyard in the Strathnairn glen. Image: A Mackie.

With a passion for his Clan MacGillivray, Gianni Lombardi has written and published a book highlighting the clan church at Dunlichity where his ancestors are buried in the Chiefly Enclosure.

Gianni's 3rd great-grandfather, Donald Roy McGillivray, d. 1803, and his 3rd great-grandmother, Ann McTavish d. 1808 were laid to rest in the enclosure. The district in the Strathnairn glen is the territory of the MacBean, MacGillivray, Macintosh, Macphail and Shaw clan, all members of Clan Chattan.

The book is set out in six chapters. Gianni writes about: The Church; The Graveyard; The Watchhouse; The Shaws and Macphails Chiefly Enclosures; The MacGillivray Chiefly Enclosure and Dunlichity - a soul place. While each chapter is short, they contain bite sized chunks of information that when put together build an impressive story of the long history of the church.



A detail of the transom over the gate of the MacGillivray Chiefly Enclosure. Image: Euan McGillivray.

For family historians, Gianni has pointed to the Highland Family History Society - monumental inscriptions, Dunlichity churchyard, Inverness-shire, where the names of those buried in the churchyard have been recorded.

An interesting piece of folklore is exposed that for years recorded that the grooves on a stone on the corner of the Shaw and Macphail Chiefly Enclosure, was used by clansmen sharpening their swords before battle. However, another source reports that these marks were left, in the 1800s, by gardeners sharpening their scythes before cutting grass in the graveyard.

Congratulations Gianni for publishing this lovely booklet. Euan McGillivray



Stone at the corner of Shaw & Macphail Chiefly Enclosure. The vertical grooves were said to have been caused by clansmen sharpening their swords prior to battle. Image: Euan McGillivray.



SUELLA MCGILLIVRAY JORDAN

Jill McGillivray

Sue came into my life when I was almost five. I started school in May and Sue came along in July a squalling tiny baby wrapped head to toe in bandages because of eczema and often in a steam tent because of asthma. Joy had come along two years before but didn't present the medical issues that Sue did. Sue was to be the fourth of Dad's 4 Js-Jackie-(mum) Jill, Joy and Jayne but it wasn't to be. My grandmother fought hard against Jayne and eventually agreed to Suella.

It was a time of upheaval in Tallangatta. My parents had been forced to purchase the building they were leasing to run their business much earlier than expected and there was the turmoil involved in moving the entire town 5 miles down the road to the area known as Bolga. This was to allow for the enlargement of Lake Hume for irrigation. The water came up far more quickly than the SRWSC had allowed for and the old and new towns were linked only by rail or by taking the long route via Bullhead and the Omeo highway. Not easy for a baker, baking in the old town and servicing the old and new towns.

The entire move cost our family 3000 pounds and a third of the business and my father's health. Sue fought asthma all her life but didn't let it stop her performing the sports she loved-netball, tennis and squash. She still holds the goal throwing



Suella with mum Rome, 2020. Image supplied

record for the inter-school primary sports for Milawa. Water skiing was a sport we all enjoyed and Dad would park the caravan at the weir each Christmas and often at Easter if there was water and we would enjoy boating and skiing often joined by the Sawyers and Hillas'.

Sue was keenly interested in Young Farmers and took a keen interest in the Clan McGillivray Society of Australia as a foundation member and Clan councillor. I had nominated her for life membership this year. She was a lifelong Collingwood supporter and we could feel her barracking on Saturday night and again yesterday.

One of my friends ringing with condolences commented that Sue was so beautiful and

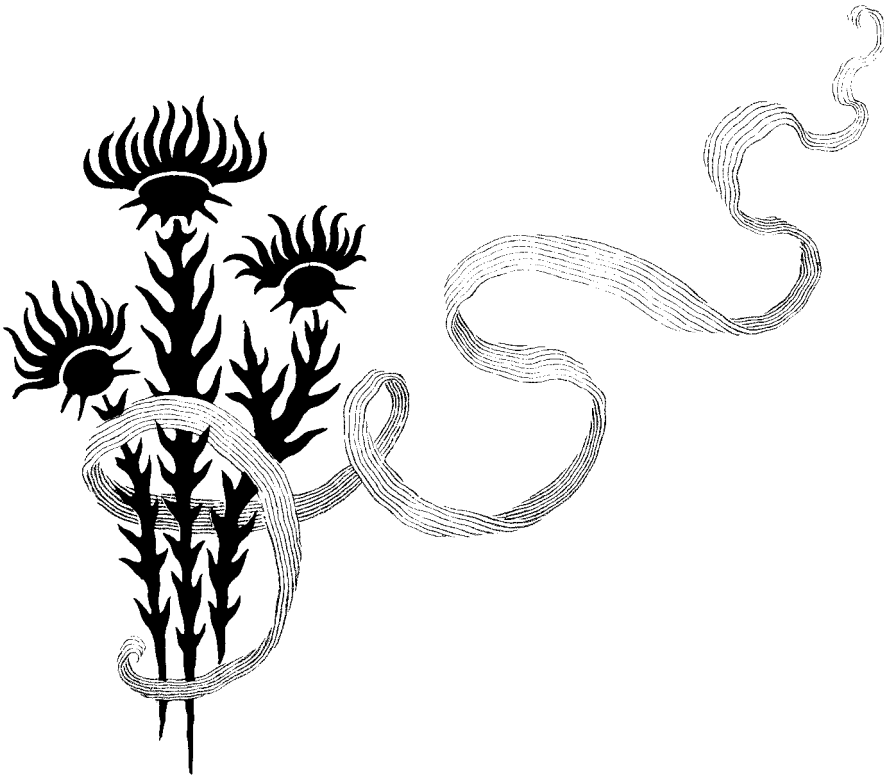
simply lit up any room she entered and this was so true. Sue was my best friend and travelling companion-with our mum within Australia and internationally.

She was keenly involved with family. A devoted mother to Nicholas and together we took Nick, Rob, Elle and Sam on holidays, usually to the beach and to children's shows such as Disney on Ice, Beauty and the Beast and Benjamin Bunny in Melbourne. Dinner at Bobby McGees with the costumed waiter and waitresses are well remembered.

Tomorrow Sue and I were to be hosting a surprise 80th birthday luncheon for a cousin in Sydney and she had already booked the accommodation for another

cousin's 100th birthday in February. Sue adored her son Nicholas and would go out at any time of the night to pick him and his mates up after an evening out.

She was teased for still preparing his lunch each day, but she also prepared many meals for me, especially after I had my knee replacement. Sue was a wonderful caring sister and we spoke every day after mum died last September. She was a wonderful sister to Joy too. We both loved Joy's son Robbie who passed away unexpectedly aged 22 and we love her daughters Elle and Sam and Elle's son, our great nephew Noah. I would like to thank everyone who has offered their support to me at this time.



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