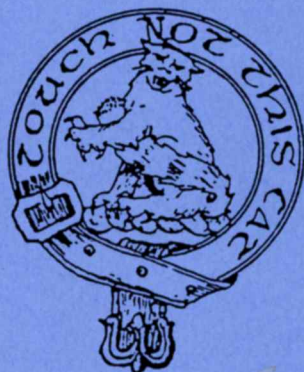


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Clan Commissioner Peter proudly introduces his youngest grandson James to the clan tent at the 1995 Ringwood Highland Games.



Seven cousins at out 1994 Annual Gathering: Donald MacGillivray, Alma Guest, Edie Tyrus, Lil Hillas, Jean O'Day, Edna Turner and David MacGillivray.

EDITORIAL

Previous thoughts about the possible contents of this issue were immediately modified when we learned of the death, on 22 September 1994, of our esteemed Clan Commander and Patron of this Australian society. Members were notified briefly of George's passing in our February newsletter, but a formal memorial eulogy, taken from the US Commissioner's Newsletter, follows this editorial, and then there is also a more personal tribute with reminiscences written by Australian Clan Commissioner, Peter.

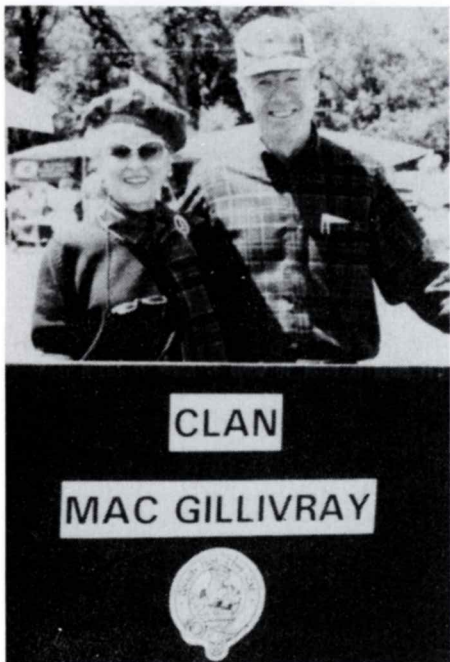
Regretfully, time marches on, and our regular "Soraidh" section also records the passing of other very loyal local clan members.

One of our aims in this annual Journal is to have stories of a historical nature dealing with the conditions faced by MacGillivrays in Australia in past generations, combined with reports of modern day achievements and activities of their descendants. It is, therefore, pleasing to note that many members are sending in newspaper clippings and other reports, many of which we are sure will be of interest to others. Where possible, it is helpful if you can obtain and send original photos of these incidents or people involved, as these reproduce much better than a crumpled piece of newspaper and they make the story so much more interesting.

For many years now, the format has been established whereby our annual Australian Clan gathering has alternated between venues in New South Wales and Victoria, and usually this has meant in Sydney and Melbourne.

Last years event, organised at Berwick, Victoria by Pat and Ted Foster, suffered from some truly appalling weather which confirmed the wisdom of always hiring a hall or having a big home, but, nevertheless, a reasonably good crowd really enjoyed a well run function, at which the rest of us were well and truly outnumbered by the descendants of John and Sarah. It was a pleasure to welcome Ian and Simone, all the way from Narara north of Sydney, and all appreciated the effort that these folk make.

This leads me to the sad announcement that 1995 will not see the scheduled 20th Gathering in Sydney, since no one has felt able to find and organise a venue. So, as you will see from the notice on page 29, we shall be meeting again at Berwick on 19th November, but this time it will be at Ted and Pat's home, in the form of a "sausage sizzle".



Alex and Louise McGillivray at the clan tent during the highland games in Wisconsin. Alex is convenor for the Great Lakes West Region of the USA.

The International Scene

Our own Clan Society is almost twenty years old and the extensive Dutch family of MacGillivray have been meeting together regularly for at least as long, but in the USA and Canada, where by far the majority of MacGillivrays reside, there had been no formal organisation prior to the "call to action" initiated by our late Commander soon after his appointment, so it is pleasing to note the substantial progress now being made by our kinsfolk in North America. The USA has been divided into fifteen regions and, by late 1994 ten of these had a regional Convenor appointed for

them, and MacGillivray clan tents began to appear at various highland games venues. In August 1993 more than 200 MacGillivrays turned up at the clan tent at the Tam O'Shanter Games in Easton, Massachusetts, no doubt boosted somewhat by a contingent of Canadians who had crossed the border for the day, and the 1994 season of Games and Scottish festivals saw MacGillivray tents raised at almost a score of events. In Canada, Commissioner Darroch has already established four Regional Directors and has a couple more in mind.

As a group, the 5 national Commissioners together with Robert of Edinburgh, Clan Seannachaidh and co-author of our history, with the approval of the Lord Lyon are tackling a range of immediate projects, amongst these being the hoped for printing of a second edition of the Clan History and the generous offer of access to the old Dunmaglass Mains farm house or Dower house, referred to in a separate article.

However, the major task facing us is the urgent need to set in motion an exhaustive search for an eligible clan Chief, if in fact one exists. It will not matter where this person resides, so long as he or she is able to prove, beyond doubt, descent from the former Chiefly family and the non-existence of any other stronger claimant.

The establishment of a new Chief would surely help to re-focus Clan interest in the ancient heritage of the MacGillivrays, and unite members throughout the world through the potent symbolism of the office.

In the absence of any such claimant, then the Lord Lyon could consider a petition for the appointment of another Commander, who, under the new rules governing this matter, must actually reside in Scotland. There is another problem also, in that national clan societies, no matter how strong, have no right to propose such an appointment, nor

indeed do the Commissioners unless they are also Armigers ie have matriculated a personal coat of arms in the court of Lord Lyon. The only body that can submit such a petition is a properly constituted Clan Derbhfine with at least nine members, and those persons eligible to take part in such an ad-hoc Derbhfine are armigers of the clan, of whom we currently have only 3, and Scottish land-owners, of whom we are currently aware of only 2, so our task is formidable.

CLAN MOURNS COMMANDER

George B. Macgillivray, Ceann Cath, died at his home in Thunder Bay, Ontario, Canada, on 22 September, 1994 at the age of 80.

Through much of his adult life, his keen and energetic interest in the history of his Clan inspired personal efforts which led to an impressive string of accomplishments for the Clan MacGillivray as a whole. This culminated in his being commissioned by Her Majesty's Lord Lyon King of Arms as Commander, or Ceann Cath, of the Clan on 27 July, 1989, resulting in renewal of the clan's status as such, under recognised chiefly authority, for the first time in at least 75 years. Under his leadership Clan MacGillivray assumed the active, coordinated functions of a modern

clan on a worldwide basis. His passing leaves family and friends, associates from a wide range of involvements and MacGillivray clansfolk throughout the world mourning the loss of an extraordinary individual and an incomparable champion for his Clan.

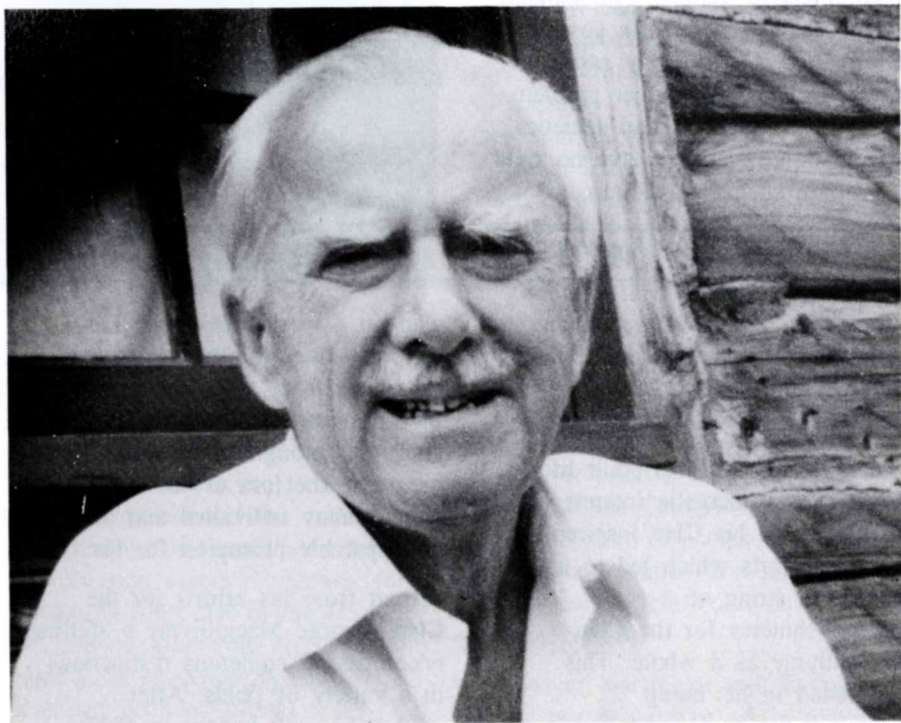
Apart from his efforts for the Clan, George Macgillivray's lifetime encompassed numerous distinctions in a variety of fields. After graduating with honors in 1937 from Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario, an exchange scholarship sent him to the University of Bonn, Germany. There he witnessed the early stages of the onset of World War II as an interpreter for the London Star newspaper at the Bad-Godesberg Conference, one of the

meetings between Hitler and Chamberlain that led up to the infamous Munich Agreement.

In 1942 he joined the War Office in London as Intelligence Commanding Officer for the First Canadian Planning Staff. While there, he rose to the rank of lieutenant colonel.

Toronto and later served as President of the Canadian Military Intelligence Association. In 1966 he retired as Honorary Colonel of the Lakehead Service Battalion, Thunder Bay, which continues to wear the MacGillivray tartan.

Along with his lifelong interest in the military, Colonel Macgillivray's civilian career combined professional



George B. Macgillivray 1914 - 1994

His involvement in the development of the wartime Canadian intelligence services carried over to peacetime when, in 1947, he was founding Commanding Officer of Canada's First Reserve Intelligence Unit in

and civic pursuits in a manner uniquely suited to his gifts and interests.

In Toronto during the 1950s he rose to top level executive positions in the field of advertising and public relations. By 1959 he had returned to his home by the head of Lake Superior to become

President and Publisher of the Time-Journal daily newspaper in Fort William, Ontario.

Fort William, which merged with the neighbouring community of Port Arthur in 1970 to form the new city of Thunder Bay, has an important place in the history of the old Canadian fur trade which flourished in the 18th and 19th centuries, as well as interesting attachments to the name MacGillivray. The original fort was the main transshipment centre for the North West Company fur trading enterprise based in Montreal and was named after William MacGillivray - born in Scotland near Dunmaglass - who was Chief Superintendent of the company from 1804 to 1821. George Macgillivray, from his position as a civic leader, never lost an opportunity to illuminate the local history and reaffirm its association with the name MacGillivray.

By 1950 he had already helped establish the MacGillivray tartan as the uniform tartan of the Lake Superior Scottish Regiment. In 1967, as a gift to the City of Fort William, he registered its official municipal Achievement of Arms with the College of Arms in London. The design was based on the arms of the old North West Company which itself drew elements from William MacGillivray's own arms.

As part of Canada's Centennial that same year, a Voyageurs' Canoe Pageant was held locally to

celebrate the fur trade's history. The Province of Ontario's entry was christened William MacGillivray and presented by Colonel Macgillivray with a replica of the North West Company flag, not flown in those waters since before 1820.

The Clan MacGillivray Pipe Band of Thunder Bay was co-founded in 1917 by George's father, Dr. Thomas Dow Macgillivray, who was its Honorary Chief up to his death in 1942. From 1959-65, George followed his father as Chief of the band, now thought to be the oldest private pipe band in continuous service in North America.

Clan MacGillivray itself has been fortunate in enjoying its share of the prodigious energies of this exceptional clansman.

An armiger in his own right by 1947, George Macgillivray corrected an oversight of the earlier chiefs of the clan who, while using heraldic arms locally, had never recorded them in the official Register in Edinburgh. Based on armorial designs on gravestones in the clan's burial place at Dunlichity in Strathnairn, Colonel Macgillivray in 1968 matriculated arms posthumously in favour of an earlier chief, Farquhar, VI of Dunmaglass, which are now recorded in Lyon Court's Register of All Arms and Bearings. This was a key step in re-establishing the chiefship itself, vacant since at least 1942, since that involves proving a legal right, by descent, to personally bear the Chiefly Arms.

Following up on this, the Colonel then personally financed a restoration of the old walled enclosure at Dunlichity Church containing the graves of recent chiefs and their families. The enclosure now features an iron transom above the old gate, decorated with the crest and embellishments from the chiefly arms, as well as a handsome granite plaque of the chiefly Armorial Achievement, both commissioned by George Macgillivray.

In 1973, after collaborating with Robert Macgillivray of Edinburgh in compiling A History of the Clan Macgillivray - he published a generously illustrated limited edition of the volume at his own expense.

It is perhaps not surprising that a man so devoted to preserving and illuminating his clan's heritage should also seek to personally fill the breach in traditional leadership - the vacant chiefship - that had occurred so near to his own lifetime.

By exhaustive research over many years, he eventually traced his family line back to Bean, fourth brother of Alexander, Chief of the Clan, circa 1650. Beginning in 1954, George Macgillivray petitioned the Lord Lyon in Scotland no fewer than three times to be recognised as Chief of the Clan Macgillivray.

The relatively recent occurrence of the interruption in the chiefly line may well have been a factor in the

reluctance of three successive Lords Lyon to grant the Chiefship to Colonel Macgillivray outright. Great care is taken in such cases to allow for the identification of all possible heirs or viable claimants. While still allowing for this, however, The Lord Lyon Sir Malcolm Innes of Edingight on 27 July, 1989 commissioned George Macgillivray as Commander of the Clan Macgillivray in order to permit the Clan to be rallied worldwide and to resume active status as such under proper chiefly authority.

Unlike Chiefship, Commandership is not hereditary and is granted initially for a five-year interim term. During that time George Macgillivray appointed five Commissioners for national areas around the world to assist in the effort to rally the Clan. In 1992 a successful International Gathering of the Clan was held for the first time ever in Scotland.

Amongst the many legacies for which we are all indebted to him, George Macgillivray's lifetime itself stands as an unsurpassed example of what chiefly leadership can truly mean to a Clan.

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THE IMMIGRANT SHIP "WILLIAM NICOL"

When Jean McDonald Mackenzie wrote an article "The Macgillivrays of Peterborough" for our 1985 issue Vol.2 no.1, she made the comment "How bad the voyage out was, I do not know", although she refers to two deaths, namely one of the two little daughters of Archibald Hugh Macgillivray and his wife Janet McDonald and a Mrs McLeod. It was a son of Archibald and Janet, born in Melbourne on 17 December, 1841, named Charles, who settled in Peterborough, Victoria, and whose family were the subject of that article.

Now, ten years later, we can give you some details of the voyage thanks to information provided by our new member Karen Pearson. Karen is descended from Anne, the only daughter of the couple to survive the voyage, and her careful research has turned up many details of the *William Nicol* on which they sailed, and the rigours of the trip. Shipping records show that Archibald Hugh Macgillivray was, or became, a shepherd, aged 30, who was engaged by A F Morreson of Port Phillip at 25 pounds per annum and rations, his wife was aged 28-30, and that Anne was actually born during the voyage, though Jean Mackenzie put her birth year as 1836.

The *William Nicol* was a 408 ton sailing ship, built at Greenoch, Renfrewshire in 1834, registered Glasgow, and her maiden voyage in 1836 had been from the river Clyde to Bombay and return. It then became the first Government chartered immigrant sailing ship for the conveyance of Highlanders to NSW, under the migrant scheme initiated by Dr. Dunmore Lang and the British Government. She sailed on Thursday, 6 July, 1837 from Isleornsay, Isle of Skye, under the command of Captain John McAlpine, and arrived in Port Jackson on 27 October. She was wrecked at Port Louis, Mauritius in 1843.

Several extracts from a book *Wooden Hookers* by C B Maxwell, A&R, 1940, suffice to illustrate what a horrible journey it must have been - "from the famine-stricken Hebrides Dr. David Boyter filled the *William Nicol*, for conditions prevailing in the far north were of terrible persuasion indeed."

The Governor of the Cape of Good Hope reported that "The Government Emigration vessel *William Nicol* had put into Table Bay for water and provisions. I beg leave to draw attention of those concerned to the condition of those on board. Ten children had already died from fever and marasmus, and

many were in a very low state. The poverty-stricken hundreds were without a change of clothes, and the inhabitants of The Cape had supplied them with materials, as well as fresh beef, vegetables, and water. The food on board was of the poorest and commonest kind: salt beef and pork, and there was no nourishing light food for the provision of the sick. Worse still, these people from the North had been deprived of their oatmeal ... a serious matter".

The complaints were referred back to Dr. Boyter. He retorted that the people could not have been short of clothes, for he himself had insisted that all should procure a new suit of plaid, together with several other little articles, prior to embarkation. The food was that usually supplied, though he admitted it might be advisable in future to supply vessels from these districts with a large amount of oatmeal. Though the surgeon did not understand the language of his charges, the midwife understood Gaelic. As to excluding women advanced more than four-and-a-half months in pregnancy "... I merely express a general opinion that few children are preferable to many and women who are not pregnant to women who are".

It is known that the McGillivray family, along with others from the William Nicol were not attracted to the conditions they found in Sydney on their arrival and continued on to Melbourne on the James Watt. They

subsequently moved to the Western District of Victoria, settling at Purnim. Archibald died in 1888, Janet in 1882, and they were both buried at Port Campbell, near to the Peterborough property of their son Charles.

Two more interesting connections can now be made with this family. Twin boys, Donald and Duncan, had been born in Melbourne, the former eventually moving to New Zealand for a considerable time, before dying in 1898 at Dunolly. There seems little doubt that the William McGillivray in New Zealand who engaged in a postcard exchange with Margaret Adam McDonald

(ref. "The Mystery of William McGillivray" Vol.3 No.3, 1993)

was this Donald's son, since he referred to the daughters of Charles at Peterborough as his cousins.

Margaret Hedley of Wagga Wagga, whose husband Peter's death is reported elsewhere in this Journal, is a granddaughter of Mary, a younger daughter of Archibald and Janet, who married Alexander Ross, this couple raising twelve children.

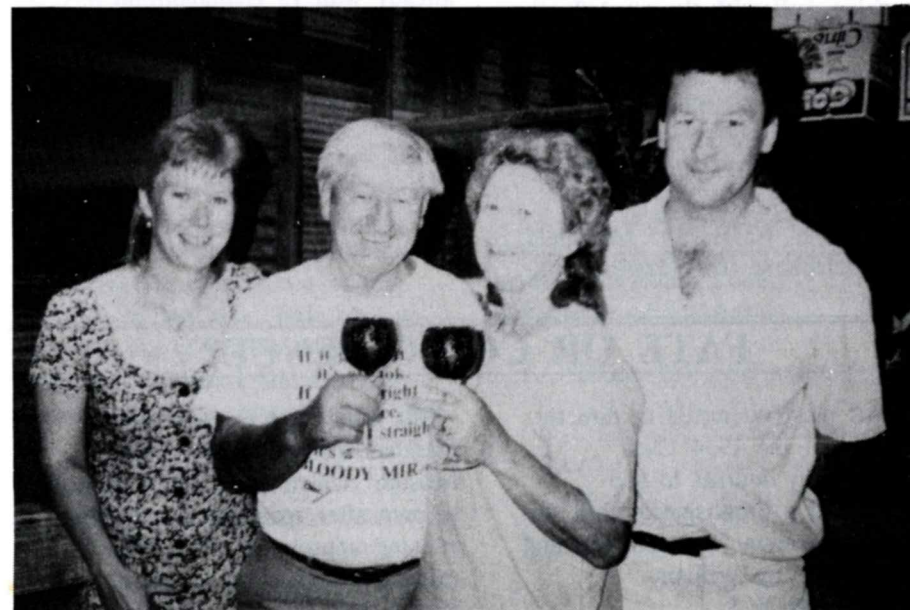
A RUBY WEDDING

Many readers will recall the report titled "Eleven hundred kilometres on horseback" which appeared in Vol.2 No.5, the 1989 issue of this Journal, in which member Betty Gerrish of Mansfield, Victoria gave us her account of 'The Federation Ride'. This was the trek completed by 230 horses and riders across mountain tracks from Melbourne to Canberra in celebration of Australia's bi-centenary. Now Betty has participated in another very important anniversary - she and husband Kevin celebrated 40 years of marriage on Saturday, 25 February 1995. A report in the Mansfield Courier states that more

than 100 guests attended 'an old-fashioned woolshed dance' on the couple's Alcheringa property, and during the evening their children Tim and Kerry presented them with a pair of ruby goblets.

Well done Betty and Kevin.

Even more recently, this couple were in the news again when the local Fire Brigade, with sixteen personnel, were called in to save their home from a fire which destroyed a nearby haystack and was within metres of the house itself. That's the sort of publicity no one wants!



Betty and Kevin Gerrish with the ruby goblets - a gift from their children Tim and Kerry. Picture courtesy of Mansfield Courier.

Betty is one of many Australians descended from the 1845 migrant couple John and Sarah McGillivray, who were pioneer settlers in the Yea district, and now Betty is doing her bit to promote tourism in neighbouring Mansfield by demonstrating alternative farming practices and the arts and crafts of bygone days. She breeds and shows coloured Lincoln sheep and has turned their woolshed into a 'tour of wool' venue as a showpiece for tourists, where she demonstrates wool spinning on a hand loom, and makes home spun and woven rugs, saddle blankets and wall hangings. Her small cottage industry has grown and she now has over sixty of the Lincolns and some Angora goats also, finding that their fleeces combine well with the wool for a softer coloured knitter's yarn. Under the trade name of North-east Yarns, she has lovely knitting wool for sale - five and eight ply, in natural browns and fawn colours, at \$3:50 per 50 grams. Write to : "Alcheringa" RMB 2145 Mansfield 3722. telephone 057 752076

FATE OR COINCIDENCE?

I was most interested to turn to page 14 of the 1994 Clan McGillivray Journal to see reproduced a Frontispiece from the 1905 publication "Rob Lindsay and His School" by William McGillivray W.S.

The latest addition to Betty's venture is in combination with another local lady to produce handmade fashionable ladies woollen fur felt hats, styled on Australian stockmen's hats. These hats have already become very popular, not only locally, but in the Collins Street, Melbourne, store Georges and into New South Wales and Queensland. Recently these hats and Betty's rugs have drawn praise at a world Wool Congress exhibition in York, England.

The Lincolns are more than successful wool producers, as Betty's flock has won an impressive number of awards at country shows - one ram, "Alcheringa Othello" at only two and a half years old had already won 13 championship ribbons.

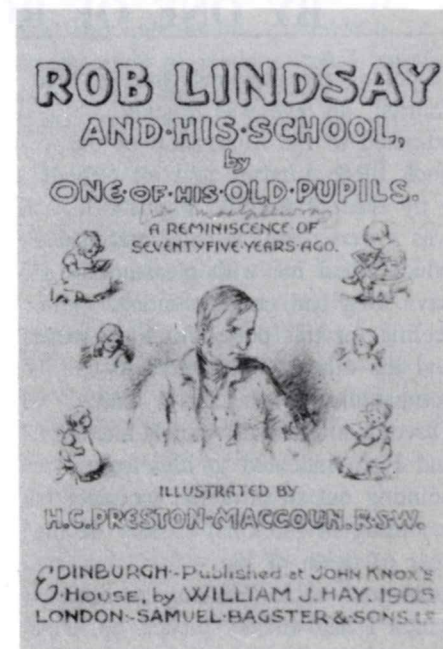
This article has enabled me to establish the author of a "little treasure" which I had felt I needed to own after spending a very long evening unpacking, sorting and restacking books for our local High School Sale into many categories. At 1:00am. I was about to include this little hand-made book with

delightful illustrations into our "Old and Interesting" section. Being a teacher, the title encouraged me to look further and I made the remark that the illustrations of children would look good in a frame. (Much to the horror of the Sale co-ordinator).

I parted with my dollar coin and took my book home. I examined my find and could not date its publication or indeed find any name for the author...except for the name Willie in the text and on one illustration. A handwritten date 3/6/10 was inside the front cover.

Fortunately, I decided not to remove the illustrations and upon reading the 1994 Journal article I was most excited to note the MacGillivray connection and enthusiastically reached for my little book. I noted a different publisher and that it was Printed by R & R Clark, Limited, Edinburgh.

With a Grandfather, Father and Brother all being a William (Bill rather than "Willie") McGillivray I wonder at the coincidence of me choosing to buy this "little treasure" and why out of all the variety of books we handled I felt that this one needed to be mine...I guess our



This illustration from last years Journal helped Dianne tie up a loose end.

Book Sale this year will find me searching for more MacGillivray publications...here's hoping!

This little gem is a perfect companion for the article from our regular contributor, Robert McGillivray of Edinburgh

Dianne McGillivray O'Parwick

“...BY ONE OF ROB’S OLD PUPILS”

Opening the previous issue of this Journal, my eye was quickly attracted to the illustration of the book “Rob Lindsay and his School – by One of his Old Pupils”. It was a very familiar sight and one which filled me with pleasure for I have long had an affectionate feeling for this delightful little work and the others which were its companions. I went on to read Trevor’s article with much interest and I am indebted to him for pointing out in print the incorrect recording in the Clan History of the year of death of his great-great-uncle William, an error which I had already picked up. But it was his reference to finding this book in New Zealand while visiting relatives there that intrigued me and I will return to that later.

I first became aware of “Rob Lindsay ...” and similar works some thirty years ago while engaged in one of my favourite pastimes, browsing in second-hand or antiquarian bookshops of which there were then many in Edinburgh. These books were often seen on the shelves, frequently under the caption “children’s books” and generally in dust covers repeating the title and illustrations on the hard covers.

There seemed to be five titles in the series: *Rob Lindsay and his School*; *Auld Drainie and Brownie*; *The Story of Little Janet*; *Cotbank and its Folks*, and *The Elder and his Wife*. Curiously, although the

covers proclaimed in prominent lettering that they were illustrated by H.C. Preston Macgoun RSW, no attribution was given for the author other than, in the first case, “By One of Rob’s Old Pupils” or, in the other cases, “By the Author of *Rob Lindsay and his School*”. This intrigued me to some extent but it



*"I've brought
my little Willie
to you Rob."*

"I've brought my little Willie to you, Rob"

was not until later when checking through an index in the public library that I found that the author was William MacGillivray and my full interest was aroused. I already knew about William, for I had a copy of his biography of his namesake, the ornithologist, “*The Life of William MacGillivray*”, and

I began to collect his little reminiscences.

Much later I was very fortunate when a dealer with whom I then had contact, sent me the omnibus edition titled “*Memories of My Early Days*” and this time prominently displaying the author’s name. It now has a proud place in my collection of “MacGillivray” books. I am particularly pleased to have it for in all those years I have only seen two other copies; one in the Edinburgh Central Public Library and the other in the possession of one of William’s descendants here in Scotland.

Yet this bulky volume, which does acknowledge its authorship, does not have the same feel or simple charm of its individual parts and I wonder how many copies of the omnibus were sold and what happened to them. They certainly do not seem to have had the popularity of the little books advertised at the time as being in the “Rob Lindsay series”.

“Rob Lindsay and his School” was the first of them; the others came within the next ten years. The reason for William undertaking this activity in his old age is given by the author himself in the Prefatory Note to “Rob Lindsay”:

–“My narrative was written solely as a recreation of my old age, and for the gratification of the younger members of my family and friends; but I have been urged to publish it in the view that it may, as a description of a Scotch country

‘Infant School’ of former days – not then uncommon – interest a wider circle of readers, and I have accordingly consented. — One of Rob’s Old Pupils.”

The Books were all printed by R & R Clark Ltd., Edinburgh, but their publisher seems to have changed quite early. The first edition of “Rob Lindsay” was published jointly in 1905 by William J. Hay in Edinburgh and by Samuel Bagster & Sons Ltd. in London, but subsequent editions and the companion works were published by T. N. Foulis, a London and Edinburgh publisher in existence perhaps in the period roughly 1903 to 1926. The books appear to have been well received and to have been highly popular, those copies still to be found are mostly second editions. Latterly they were to be obtained once again from William J. Hay, at John Knox House, High Street, Edinburgh, who announced on the book jacket that he had bought the entire stock and advised that “*As these highly artistic volumes are not likely to be reprinted, copies should be ordered early to avoid disappointment*”.

Each book contains advertisements for the companion volumes and a wide spread of press opinions, throughout Scotland and from England. Of “Rob Lindsay...” one reads “*The little school stood on a hillside of the Grampian range; the little book stands just as separate. It is like ‘Rob and His Friends’, a simple chapter in the homelier life*

of Scotland – told without conscious art, but with a glamorous sympathy of remembrance, free from over-insistent sentimentality, and finely proportioned. A distinct charm is added to the book by the uncommon illustrations of Miss Preston Macgoun RSW. They are in themselves a source of pleasure and an example of what book illustration might be....” and “... the whole book is a little masterpiece”.

An English reviewer condescends of “*Auld Drainie and Brownie*” – “Here we have some pleasing little pictures of Scottish life. The chapter from which the book takes its title has no little pathos in it. ‘Auld Drainie’ was a cow doctor, and ‘Brownie’ a cow whose life he had saved more than once, and who died at last because he was not there to help. ‘She’s come through waur wi’ me afore an’ may be She’ll come through waur agen – but nae wi’ me!’ The English reader will have to use his best wits to translate the story into his own tongue, although the author has been good enough to append a glossary.”.

In monetary terms we are not talking about anything of great value. These little books, consisting of some eighty pages and nine illustrations, sold for 1/6 – about 15 cents! When I first came across them, they could be acquired for less than £1: later perhaps up to £2. More recently, when I queried one priced at £10, I was told that

they sold well to those intending to break them up for Miss Preston Macgoun’s exquisite illustrations. This seemed to me an act of vandalism for the text and illustrations are complementary and each is diminished without the other.

More commonly it was the separate, privately published edition of “*Auld Drainie and Brownie*”, illustrated by Pittendrigh Macgillivray which appeared first, before being republished as the second in the *Rob Lindsay* series, which was priced about £10, on the grounds that it was signed by the author, or the illustrator, or both. This amused me for I have yet to see a copy of this particular edition not so signed. (I have told elsewhere how William and Pittendrigh collaborated in the production of this book, but quarrelled over the illustrations, and never again spoke to one another). I cannot recall seeing one of the other books signed by the author and this makes the copy in the possession of Trevor’s aunt Sheelah all the more precious.

It occurred to me that I had not seen these works in a second-hand shop for some little time and I mentioned this to one dealer. When I said they were published by Foulis, he said that was probably the reason. Foulis as a publisher has become highly collectable in Edinburgh, a seemingly new phenomenon; the only other publisher he knew as being

collected was “*Penguin*”. He took a rather grubby book, similar to the *Rob Lindsay* series, from a shelf and, seeing it priced in double figures, said he would easily get that for it. Perhaps William’s recreational writing will some day pay off for others!

But to come at last to my point. It was simply to record that when Pauline and I were on holiday in New Zealand in 1992, we chanced to pop in to an antique shop in Nelson in the South Island. Typically it was small and crammed, but I spotted in a corner a pile of books and there was a familiar sight – a nice copy of “*Rab and His Friends*” by John Brown MD, illustrated by H.C. Preston Macgoun and published by Foulis in 1908 in its distinctive way. The Prefatory Note was “by the author of *Rob Lindsay and His School*” – our old friend William. I wonder how this copy had found its way to the other side of the world – and why it had been discarded. The dealer obviously thought little of it and said I could have it for a dollar. I did not hesitate, and so it was repatriated to

its native country, where it has joined its companions on my shelves. Or rather, not quite all; for “*Cotbank and Its Folks*” still eludes me.

I will conclude on what, for me, has always been a disappointing note. William wrote another serious book – “*Men I Remember*”. When I first came across it, I was excited for I had been trying to find out about this family’s origins and I felt certain that in a work of this kind, the author would certainly have mentioned his father or perhaps even his grandfather. I was fascinated by descriptions of his contemporaries, professional men in Edinburgh who had founded prominent businesses here, but there was little about his family and nothing to take anyone back to its original and traditional home in Stratherrick. What an opportunity missed and we are the poorer for William’s failure to give us his remembrances in that vein.

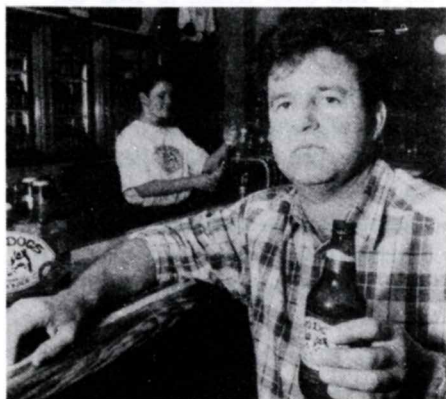
Robert McGillivray
Edinburgh

"I LIKE TO HAVE A DRINK WITH DUNCAN"

The above words from a song will be familiar to many of our readers, but they sound much better if you put the name “MacGillivray” after “Duncan”!

Over the past two years the press has been widely publicising the new alcoholic (4.2%) lemonade with the distinctive name and label “TWO DOGS”, which is the brainchild of

Adelaide publican Duncan MacGillivray, and a recent feature article in the Agribusiness sector of the Australian Farm Journal, May 1995, indicates that this innovative development is a roaring success which is not only profitable for Duncan but it has real ongoing value for the Australian citrus growing industry.



Duncan in the bar of his pub in Adelaide. His boutique brew, Two Dogs, has been a great success story.

Duncan started his working life as a jackeroo on Avoca Station near Wentworth, became a station manager, a beef breeding adviser with the New South Wales Department of Agriculture, a meat export Director, and finally an international grains trader. His employers in the last two roles both won Australian Export Awards due largely to his efforts. By 1984 he was running his own international trading company concentrating in the barley grains area, and then decided to pull out and move to the opposite end of the grain

spectrum as a publican and boutique brewer.

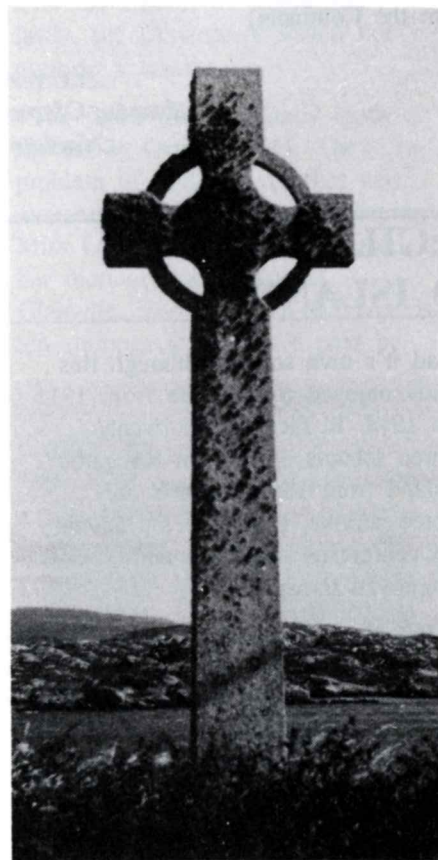
Whilst his earlier experiences must be a great advantage in the present explosive expansion of the Two Dogs business, Duncan admits that the idea for the product came to him quite by chance when an Adelaide Hills neighbour was wondering what to do with thousands of Lisbon lemons going to waste in his orchard. These were second grade fruit which, because of minor skin blemishes, or being over or under sized, were unsaleable in export or domestic markets. With little thought to the success that was to follow, he decided to brew the lemons and sought the assistance of another friend who was a brewery consultant, and they went ahead with a trial batch, using a unique form of yeast. Technically, the product is a wine made from lemons, which has a tangy, bitter-sweet flavour and looks rather like lemon squash. It's success has been phenomenal, and with several companies now brewing under license and strategically sited in the main lemon growing areas, this product is now converting 4 000 tonnes of lemons per year. What a relief that must be for Australia's hard pressed citrus growers.

Congratulations and best wishes to Duncan for continued success in this venture.

ST.COLUMBA

St. Columba, one of the best known and best remembered of the early saints, was not the patron saint of anywhere. But, as was the case with St.Patrick, his fame grew from his considerable accomplishments in a foreign land.

A genuine Irish priest, unlike the British born Patrick, Columba was born in County Donegal in 521



A splendid Celtic cross. Picture taken on Iona by Stewart McGilvray of Geelong.

AD, and trained for the priesthood from an early age. he was however a man of independent views and strong opinions, and in time fell foul of his more conservative superiors. Finally, when in his forties, he had so tried their patience that he was banished from Ireland. Still a priest, he was instructed to sail away from Ireland until he found a place from which the Irish mainland was not visible, and there he might remain and carry on his ministry in his own inimitable style.

So he and his followers set sail in a small boat and headed towards Scotland, and at each landfall Columba would climb to the highest point and look back towards Ireland. Eventually, on a small island near the Scottish coast, he found he had reached a place from which his native Ireland could not be seen. This was the Isle of Iona, and it was here that Columba settled and built a monastery, the first Christian monastery in Scotland. The year was 563 AD.

In those times a monastery was not a grand structure of bricks and ornament as one might picture today. Rather, it was more like a fortified village, consisting of a number of habitations within a protecting wall. These habitations included separate free-standing cells for the individual monks, and a central chapel and, no doubt, buildings for food storage and

preparation. All in all, a very simple and modest affair. And it was from here that Columba set out to spread the word of Christianity across the highlands and lowlands of Scotland. In this he appears to have been singularly successful, and this part of his life is remembered as his time of real achievement. For although there were undoubtedly many other Christian missionaries working in Scotland both during Columba's lifetime and afterwards, it is he who is credited with having introduced Christianity to Scotland.

Columba always saw himself as belonging to the Irish Church, and recognised no allegiance to Rome. In 575 AD his reputation was such

that he was able to return to Ireland and take a leading part in Church councils. He died, back on Iona, in 597 AD.

(St.Columba, also known as Columcille, should not be confused with the similar-sounding St.Columbanus. Columbanus, like Columba, was a missionary priest who achieved success in spreading Christianity in foreign lands, but he lived slightly later than Columba, and his missionary work took place on the Continent).

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MORE ABOUT MacGILLIVRAY ON KANGAROO ISLAND

In 1993, Vol.3 No.3, we featured this picturesque island off the coast of South Australia, recounting its early history and how the original Post Office building situated in the statistical area known as the Hundred of MacGillivray is now in use once again as a distillery of eucalyptus oil.

Jean O'Day of Salisbury Downs, South Australia, with the earlier article fresh in her mind, recently came across an interesting little booklet titled 'A History of Kangaroo Island Schools 1836-1980' compiled for the K.I. Welfare Clubs Association, and was intrigued to read that MacGillivray once also

had its own school, although this only enjoyed a short life from 1911 to 1918. In fact, of the twenty-three schools opened on Kangaroo Island from 1869 onwards only three survive, thanks to the advent of centralised education and improved transport.

The History, published by the Kingscote Area School Council in 1981, provides the following brief account of MacGillivray School:

"In 1909 a farmer, Mr. Weber, in the district of MacGillivray, wrote to the Director of Education informing him of the residents' intentions to build a room for

combined use as a school and hall. Two acres of land had been promised for the site on Section 3, Hundred of MacGillivray. There was then a delay of two years before the building was actually erected. This appears to have been due to several things. Although the land was promised, the site was in some dispute because of the uncertain outcome of a petition for a new road to be surveyed; there was also a difference of opinion over the size of the room and lastly, the Department would not promise a teacher.

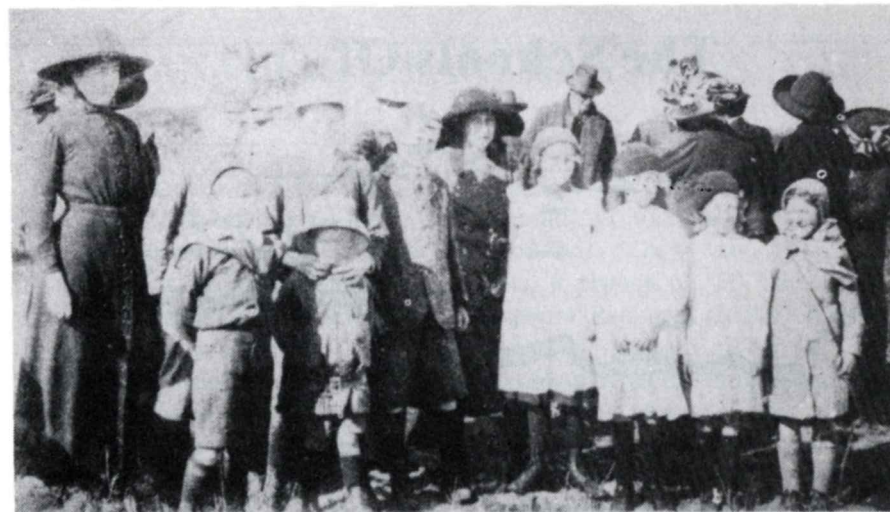
The room was eventually ready for use in October 1911. The problem of finding a teacher was overcome by the parents employing Miss Letty Ford, who had passed her monitor examination at Glanville. Her salary of two pounds ten shillings a week was paid by

the parents, and board was provided in a nearby home for eight shillings a week.

Miss Ford did not have the approval of the Education Department, but the parents were satisfied with the efforts of this seventeen year old lass, and in a letter to the Department a farmer wrote: "I have much worse than this to put up with in the back blocks."

The room was six metres by five, with walls 3.8m high, built of galvanised iron with a matchboard lining. There was a small cast-iron stove for heating and the whole building cost a little over forty pounds.

In 1912 the parents enlisted the help of the Board of Advice in Kingscote to push their case for a qualified teacher and equipment.



Macgillivray School 1912. Teacher, Mildred Fisher.

This resulted in the appointment of Mildred Fisher. Two desks were supplied from the Kingscote school.

A school at Wattle Grange on Section 2 in the Hundred of MacGillivray opened in 1916 and the two schools were half-time for two years. Wattle Grange was in a more central position for the families of the district and the MacGillivray school closed in 1918.

There is an interesting end to the story of this school. Many years later, when the trustees of the day decided to wind up affairs and dispose of the land and building, they found that the road survey which had caused a delay in building the school was still to cause a delay in the final act. The road had been surveyed right through the middle of what had always been regarded as the school property, but it was now found to

be largely roadway with two small odd-shaped pieces of land on either side. This complication led to a protracted settling of affairs, but with the cooperation of two nearby farmers, who each bought the plot of land adjoining their property the MacGillivray school became another name in the record books. The building was dismantled and all that remains to remind us of yet another bush school are the few jonquils that flower each year".

Some other brief extracts from the above booklet give further insight to the educational conditions in remote country schools during the early part of this century:

1. From an Inspector's Report 1909:

"Geography: There is a good sand tray, and many pictures. Several relief maps have been

made, but the mice have invariably destroyed them."

"Language: The children have very fair power of expressing their thoughts. Grammar should have more attention."

"Temperance lessons have been given."

"The small number in attendance is owing to four families being 'out back' for a time."

"There is some life in the teaching, but the elder boys are slow to answer."

2. From Education Gazette, 12 August 1908:

"Position Rods: to help the children attain a correct posture when at desk work. Get each child to bring a thin piece of fencing wire 15 inches long, fit a cork with glue at one end of the wire. By

placing the corks against their foreheads, and the other end of the wire on the desk, the proper distance is obtained without any fear of the children's eyes being poked out."

3. Comment on Women: "...a distinction should be made in the curricula with regard to certain subjects. For instance girls should not have military drill, and in Arithmetic there is neither utility nor reason in taking girls as far as boys."

"For if girls received a thorough grounding in needlework, in laundry work, in domestic economy, in hygiene and in general household management we should then be producing a better type of woman. A woman in the truest sense of the word - a woman who could make a bright and happy home."

The Schools Of



Kangaroo Island

The schools of Kangaroo Island - including MacGillivray.
From *A History of Kangaroo Island Schools, 1836 - 1980.*

A CANADIAN CLANSMAN WINS THE D.C.M.

As reported elsewhere our late Commander and his brother Ian were actively associated with the Lake Superior Regiment (Motor) whose dress uniform incorporates the MacGillivray tartan. In a Thunder Bay newspaper of 18 May, 1972 we found the following report on the heroic action of a clansman, and in this year of remembrance for victory in Europe 50 years ago, it seems fitting to reproduce it in our Clan Journal:

Mark L. McGilvery, DCM, presently of Victoria, B.C., was cited thus: "On 4 May, 1945, 3No. 8 platoon of "B" Coy, Lake Superior Regiment (Motor) was in action as vanguard of the 4th Canadian Armored Brigade Column. The leading elements came under fire from an enemy tank gun and supporting infantry and this platoon was ordered to destroy the gun and clear the wood. After advancing for about 100 yards through the heavy

brush, the anti-tank gun was sighted. Private McGilvery moved forward to get a clear shot with his Piat (gun)."

"Unfortunately, he was observed from the tank and came under heavy automatic fire, the monopod of his weapon being shot away. Unshaken by his narrow escape and by the enemy's heavy fire, Pte. McGilvery inched his way forward, covered by his number two. Having reached a position from where he was sure of a kill, he supported his damaged weapon on a felled log and obtained a direct hit on the piece with his first bomb rendering the enemy gun useless."

"At that point his number two was gravely wounded. (Pte. McGilvery) took deliberate aim and with his second bomb killed three members of the enemy gun crew. Pte. McGilvery turned his weapon on the machine gun post and silenced it with his third bomb. He then rushed the post, killing the two remaining machine gunners with a grenade. His task completed, he turned back to his wounded comrade and carried him to safety."

"The cool courage displayed by Pte. McGilvery broke the effectiveness of the Germans remaining in the wood. The road was once more open."

"WE MUST GO...."

That is what Andy McGillivray of Redcliffs, Victoria, said to his wife Pat in 1994 when they were considering a three month round-the-world trip after retiring from their caravan park business, and he added "while we have our good health and are fit enough to cope". Andy, elder brother of our Secretary David, had touched on many scattered places during naval service, so he was keen to see some of them again and renew old acquaintances, but for Pat every part of the trip would be a new experience.

They headed eastwards to America first, spending twelve days in California, Nevada, Arizona and

New Mexico before flying out to Europe from New York. Then came a 25 day coach tour of eight countries on the continent, followed by a tour of the United Kingdom, the Scottish part of which included the famous Edinburgh Tattoo. After "doing over" London, Pat and Andy hired a car to visit selected parts of Britain at their own pace, and being loyal "riverlanders" they began with a call on Lindeman's Winery export office in Surrey to make sure that the export sales of Australian wines were being properly handled! In Portsmouth, Andy was surprised to find that his former navy barracks have been converted to a Navy Museum, which really made him feel his age. Passing though Devon

and Wales, they soon found themselves back in Scotland where the next highlight was to meet, at Larkhall, a couple named Isabel and Tommy Burns, who still live in the original Burns family home where Andy's father Archie convalesced after action during World War One. Isabel and Tommy went out of their way to provide information about many places and events of significance in Archie's life. Their kindness was greatly appreciated by Pat and Andy.

Further north in Scotland, they felt a deep sense of sentiment and family history when visiting areas

associated with the Clan. Pat and Andy enjoyed visiting the Isle of Skye, Inverness, Culloden and Dunlichity, but it was Dunmaglass which held special significance for Andy because it was from this estate that Andy's great grandfather, John, left to emigrate to Australia in 1848, with his wife Sarah Forbes, herself born on the Culloden estate.

Personal contacts are also valuable and Pat and Andy were able to call on and stay with several friends and relatives on their return journey to London, prior to boarding the flight home. A short stopover in



Pat and Andy McGillivray of Redcliffs were deeply moved when they visited Scottish landmarks with special significance to their families.

Singapore allowed Andy to introduce Pat to a former "watering hole" of his navy days, namely Raffles Hotel.

They thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to see something of the other side of the world, and feel they can now relate much better to news of events occurring in the countries they visited, but, as Pat said at the conclusion of her letter,

"there is no place like home". Home also has an added significance now because their son Robert, has retired from the army after 12 years and returned to Redcliffs with wife Edwina and their baby daughter to start up an asparagus farm, with hopes of significant export prospects to Japan.

CLAN FACTS

Notable American Clansfolk

Over the past three years, some fascinating personal histories of contemporary MacGillivray clansfolk have come to our attention. Here are brief profiles of just a few:

Charles A MacGillivray, Braintree, Mass.

— Awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor for combat valor in WWII. Born in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, Canada, he moved to Boston where he enlisted in the U S Army. During the Battle of the Bulge on New Year's Day 1945, near Woefling, France, his unit, Company I, 71st Regt., was pinned down by German machine gun and small arms fire. In an attempt to block the advance of German Panzers, Sgt. MacGillivray

singlehandedly wiped out four successive machinegun nests before taking a wound that severed his left arm. Charles is a Past-President of the Congressional Medal of Honor Society.

John MacGillivray, Glen Ridge, New Jersey

— Another native of Canada, John's father came there as a youth from Kirkwall, Orkney. Together with brothers William and James, and a female vocalist named Terry Griffith, John was part of the 1950s pop music quartet "Terry and the Macs". Two memorable hit records of theirs in that period were My Foolish Heart and Teeny Weenie Bikini. John later took up composing and performing

commercial "jingles" for such clients as Coca Cola, Ford, Chesterfield cigarettes and Revlon, working at one point with Jean Jacques Perrey, pioneer of the Moog synthesizer. He now heads his own gourmet foods business, specializing in such products as British bangers, "MacGillivray's Sweet & Hot Mustard", and other made to order items.

Nancy McGillivray, Boston, Mass.

— Recently appointed by President Clinton as U S Marshal for the State of Massachusetts, she is the first woman to occupy this post and is now the highest-ranking woman in the history of the U S Marshal Service. Previously, she was supervisor of the federal Witness Protection Program. In 1985, she handled the security arrangements for the spy exchange that brought Soviet dissident Anatoly Scharansky to the west, across the Gleinicke Bridge in Berlin. Following in her father's 23-year career in the Marshals Service, she is also a wife and mother of two children.

US COMMISSIONER ELECTED TO FELLOWSHIP

Clan MacGillivray United States Commissioner, Bruce P. McGillivray was elected as a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland (FSA Scot) at the Society's Annual Meeting in Edinburgh, Scotland, on 30

November 1993. Election to the Society comes by way of nomination from within its membership.

The Society of Antiquaries was incorporated by Royal Charter in 1783. It sponsors scholarly research on Scottish antiquities and archaeological field work throughout Scotland. The collections of the Museum of Antiquities were gathered under its management over many years, though the museum itself is now consolidated under the National Museums of Scotland. The Society's Library is a particularly distinguished historical resource. The Society is aimed at encouraging an interest in Scottish antiquities among lay persons and active scholars alike.

YOUNG MCGILVRAY BOWLER

A young Canberra McGilvray has achieved distinction as the first female to play in the Australian Junior Bowling Championships. She is Mary McGilvray, 17, a student at St Clare's College in Canberra.

Mary competed last September in the 1994 Australian Junior Championship at Tweed Heads in NSW where she and her partner, Daniel Moy, also of Canberra, qualified for sectional play in the Coca Cola Australian Junior pairs. They drew with the Victorian pair but failed to reach the finals.

Mary, who plays for Canberra West Women's Bowling Club, won the ACT Junior Championship pairs with Daniel Moy, the first year she was accepted to take part.

She is the youngest in a family of seven, the others all being boys. She has been bowling since the age of 12 as she dislikes body-contact sports. She is enthusiastic about the sport and hopes her success will encourage other young women to take it up.

Her father, Neil McGilvray, is Bursar at St Clare's College and has become a bowler himself as the

result of Mary's interest. He said her bowling was too good for him. The family is connected with McGilvray's in the Tamworth and adjacent areas.

Trevor McGillivray

Ed. -In the past we have mentioned the lawn bowling feats of clan members, such as the late John McGillivray of Coburg and Ivanhoe who played Division One pennants, and Wal McGillivray, a former club champion who for some years served as the ANZ Bank's liaison officer to the RYBA, but this is the first time we've had a bowler of the clan achieve interstate representation.

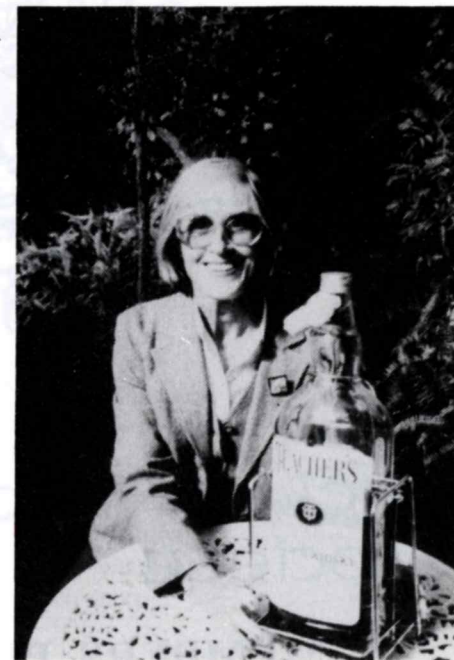
Thank you to Trevor of the ACT for chasing up this story for us.

We were less successful in our efforts to acquire a photo or at least a short report about Aileen McGillivray who runs for Edinburgh Woollen Mills Athletic Club and whose name was spotted by a keen TV observer on a list of entrants in a heat of the 200 metres event at the '94 Commonwealth Games in Victoria, B.C. Aileen was selected in the Scotland team but did not actually run on the day, for what reason we do not know.

ANNUAL RAFFLE

For a number of years we have been a very fortunate Society in that we have enjoyed, and continue to do so, a most generous sponsorship by Tucker and Co., the importers of Teachers Whisky, and their Victorian distributors Tucker-Seabrook. The handsome 4.5 litre bottle of Teachers on it's stand is an essential part of our annual raffle which, with members' support, contributes greatly to our financial wellbeing. However, we are conscious of the fact that some of our members have felt that the raffle prize should include something to appeal to the younger folk and the non-drinkers, so it is pleasing to announce the addition of a 2nd prize this year. It will consist of a lovely ladies Sash in MacGillivray tartan and a 16 inch doll dressed in our tartan and donated by Heather McGillivray of Seaford, Victoria.

PLEASE NOTE: From now until the end of September, write to : —
Mr Ted Foster, Assistant Secretary,
4 Funston Street, BERWICK VIC 3806



Robin (McGillivray) Nicholls is obviously pleased with her win in the Clan raffle.



CLAN MACGILLIVRAY SOCIETY — AUSTRALIA

MEMBERS PLEASE NOTE:

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEES ARE DUE ON 19 NOVEMBER

*Please send your cheque or postal order to our
Honorary Assistant Secretary: —
Ted Foster
4 Funston Street
BERWICK VIC 3806*

Membership fees are: \$13 family ; \$10 single

MEMBERSHIP CONCESSIONS

In an effort to encourage members of your family to become members of the Society in their own right when they turn 18 years of age, the Council has decided to offer one year's membership free to those concerned.

For your family to take advantage of this offer we must rely on you to inform the Secretary when they are turning 18.

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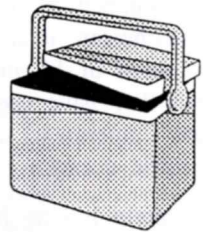
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THE BATTLE OF THE NORTH INCH AT PERTH, 1396

Several members of Clan Davidson Society in Australia and New Zealand are arranging to visit Scotland in the second half of 1996 on the occasion of the 600th anniversary of this famous battle. We know from other sources that Clan Davidson Association are planning the details for this event in conjunction with Clan MacPherson, tentatively for the weekend of 11 and 12 August, and that they have invited Clans Chattan and Cameron to take part in this historic occasion also.

Therein lies an intriguing mystery as to which clans actually took part in the battle or which family groups were represented on each side, Scottish history being somewhat vague about happenings so long ago, complicated by translations from the Gaelic and also by Sir Walter Scott's romanticising the event in his "Fair Maid of Perth". There is a popular conception that the Davidsons and MacPhersons, both members of the clan Chattan Confederation, were the combatants, and the Davidsons appear to definitely favour this version, some say that the Cummins were there, whilst other writers insist that the argument was between Clan Chattan and Clan Cameron. Of this belief was the late Mrs MacKintosh of MacKintosh, the present Chief's

mother, who wrote that the longstanding feud between MacKintosh and Cameron came to a head in 1370 at Invernahavon where Clan Chattan were victorious, despite an early setback caused by Davidson and MacPherson arguing over who would command the right wing.

However, far from settling the feud, that battle was followed by such bitter feeling that the government had to intervene, and it was arranged that Clan Chattan and Clan Cameron would select 30 champions each to engage in combat to the death in front of the King, Robert III, on the North Inch of Perth, which was a marshy island nearest to Scone, that was the special place for trials by combat in medieval Scotland. The men were armed with cross-bows, 3 arrows each, battle-axes, dirks and two-handed swords and the fight was hacked out horribly in a fenced enclosure. It was found that on the Clan Chattan side one champion was missing and the volunteer who was found to take his place, a Smith, fought bravely and was afterwards adopted into the clan, with the result that the sept of Smith or Gow has remained a part of the Clan Chattan to this day. There were eleven survivors of Clan Chattan but all of the Camerons were slain except one



Clan MacGillivray on the ramparts. One of the McIan collection, published by Simpson Bell, Edinburgh. Copies of these prints are available from the Clan.

man who leapt into the Tay and escaped.

Lachlan MacKintosh, the Chief, was too old at the time to fight, so his place as leader of the Clan Chattan side was taken by Shaw MacKintosh, known as Shaw Mor or Shaw Sgorfhiachlach (big or buck-toothed Shaw) and, as a reward he was presented with the lands of Rothiemurchus. He is regarded as the progenitor of Clan Shaw.

One historian wrote that the battle was incredible, but that for the government it was a "desirable slaughter", "a great spectacle"³ and 'an eminent success'. At any rate the battle closed the feud for a good many years but it broke out again in a battle in 1430.

In no reference can I find the name McGillivray among those who took part, but some of our clan could well have been on the Clan Chattan side as we were already by that time closely allied to the MacKintoshes.

A PIPING STALWART OF NARACOORTE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA

In 1991 we wrote about the lifetime involvement of Alex McGillivray Patterson in Scottish-Australian affairs in South East South Australia, especially as Chief of his local Caledonian Society and with the Naracoorte Highland Pipe Band. Alex still takes a keen interest, despite his advancing years and the ill health which troubles both him and his wife Jean, and he really looked forward to the South Australian Pipe Band championships which Naracoorte again hosted over Easter this year, with 18 bands from four states competing.

Therefore we were delighted to see the June 1994 newsletter of the South Australian Pipe Band Association and to find that in it Alex's son, Donald M. Patterson was hailed as a 'State Personality' and congratulated on his 40 years of service as a piper in the Naracoorte Highland Pipe Band, having joined at the age of eleven as a learner. Don has been Pipe major for no less than 20 years and was awarded Life Membership in 1983. In the wider sphere he is a past-President and currently vice-President and contest President of the South Australian Pipe Band Association Inc. South East Group, so he was very actively involved in the 1995 band and solo championships at Naracoorte.

Congratulations Donald - keep up the good work!



Pipe Major Donald Patterson - began piping as an eleven year old, he now has served over 40 years with the Naracoorte Pipe Band.

A LITTLE STORY FROM THE HIGHLANDS

You will know that life on the remote islands off the coast of Scotland was very hard in the old days. No such thing as a freezer or a wee shop on the corner. Every croft had to be absolutely self supporting. If you weren't, the chances were that you and your family would starve.

One tiny island supported just one farm and one farmhouse and the owner, Archie MacLean, needed someone to run it. Hamish McBain applied for the job and was taken on on condition that he found a bride. After all, someone had to milk the house cow and grow the vegetables and look after the pigs and hens. The deal was struck but when Archie went over to the island some days later the house was empty, the hens were starving and the cow was in agony. Hamish had been taking only enough milk each day for his porridge and his drink. Archie was furious. Where was the wife? It would seem that the lady of his choice was a Catholic and that would never do so he now had no bride. The owner insisted that he find one - Hamish said where? So they got into a boat, crossed to the mainland and headed straight for the minister from whom they sought advice. Well now, and didn't Andy McGillivray have four daughters whom they could barely afford to

feed - in fact they were so poor they couldn't buy the girls decent clothes so they could go into service as housemaids. So they set off to call on Andy and Margaret who were delighted to have 25% of their problems solved at a stroke. Morag was the oldest and she would get the opportunity. They were married next morning and left for the island immediately.

Many years later two strangers met and got into conversation. When they eventually exchanged names it transpired that one was David, son of Archie MacLean and the other was Rory, son of Hamish and Morag McBain. Rory told David that every night of their lives he and his 5 brothers and sisters had to kneel and thank God for the blessed day that Archie MacLean introduced Hamish to Morag and brought so much happiness into their lives.

CLAN MEMBER "POLICES" GAMES

At the recent 125th Annual Highland Gathering held December 1994 in Rawson Park Mosman, New South Wales our Clan MacGillivray member: Bruce Alastair Savage, Police Sergeant at Mosman was appointed Liaison Officer.

Bruce was accompanied by his Wife, Gay and together they had a most enjoyable day.

The photograph shows Bruce at his home in Belrose, New South Wales. On the wall behind him is a plaque in bronze, presented to Bruce by his men of the 14th Precinct, who served under him when he was attached to the Police Highway Patrol. Many a police driver benefited from Bruce's expert tuition at the Police Driver Training School.

The second award shown was from the Citizens in the Avalon-Mona Vale area for
**OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO
THE POLICE FORCE.**



CONGRATULATIONS, BRUCE!

*Ed. Bruce Savage is the son-in-law of
Clan Society Council member, Yvonne Jones.*

DUNMAGLASS DOWER HOUSE OFFER

In the February 1995 Newsletter we announced the news that the old stone house, known as Dunmaglass Mains or the Dower House, has been offered to the Clan for a negligible rental. It is described as "a handsome late 19th century Victorian stone building with slate roof, roomy enough to be subdivided and could be suitable for vacation rentals or timeshare uses". The farmhouse overlooks and is only some thirty yards from the presumed location of the original Dunmaglass house and outbuildings that were occupied and used by the Chiefs of the Clan for perhaps 400 years. The windows command views across the strath of Dunmaglass and its woodlands.

In the accompanying photograph it certainly looks quite attractive, but a preliminary estimate of bringing it up to modern standards was quoted at £158,000 sterling. The possibility of a government development grant or a heritage type listing which might provide financial help is being investigated and, hence, no firm decision has been reached at this stage.

In view of the importance the estate has in our Clan's distinguished past it would of course be a wonderful thing if MacGillivrays could once again say that even a tiny little bit Dunmaglass was ours, especially since the present owner, unlike his immediate predecessor, clearly

would like us to be there. On the other hand, it is only fair to say that the house itself appears to have been built in the 1890s and therefore could never have been occupied by members of our former Chief's family. Nevertheless, what a thrill it would be for a family of MacGillivrays from the other side of the world to spend a week's holiday in it and to go rambling over the heather clad hills and glens of the 13,500 acre estate.



The Dower house, views across the strath of Dunmaglass come at a price.

SCOTLAND GATHERING PROPOSED FOR 1997

United Kingdom Commissioner Mrs Ishbel McGillivray has proposed the year 1997 for a repeat of the very successful 1992 International Clan McGillivray Gathering in Inverness, Scotland.

Though plans are at the earliest stage, it is assumed the event would again be in late July to early August, in association with the Clan Chattan Annual Meeting and Gathering. Further details will be conveyed when they are available.

HIGHLAND CATTLE STUD SURVIVES

At the 1994 Melbourne Royal Show, not many months after we published an article about the Ardvorlich stud, we were disappointed to learn that Alister and Davina Stewart felt it necessary to lead a less active life and thus their property at Terang, Victoria was for sale, along with 95% of their pedigreed stock.

Therefore, it was indeed a pleasure to meet this couple at a recent Gaelic Society of Victoria ceilidh and to hear from them that the sale was cancelled at the last moment, and the property is now being run

"SOME EARLY SETTLERS AND CONNECTIONS"

At the request of Yvonne Jones we remind members that there are still copies of this comprehensive family history publication, (refer to book review in Vol.3 No.2, 1992) containing a large section dealing with the McGilvray brothers, Charles and Donald, who came to Sydney with their families from the Isle of Skye in 1852.

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by their son, with Alister and Davina now living nearby in Mortlake and concentrating on the marketing aspects of their successful business.

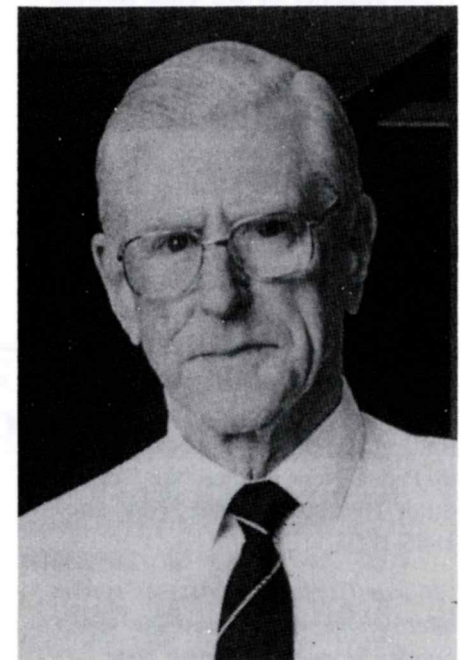
They will visit Scotland later this year, because Alister has been invited to address a world congress of Highland cattle breeders in Oban, where he will no doubt be meeting Donald MacGillivray of Mull and telling him of his close association with Clan MacGillivray Society of Australia.

JOHN MCGILLIVRAY MCINTYRE RETIRES FROM MIM

In Vol.3 No.2 1992 there appeared a curriculum vitae of John McGillivray McIntyre, AM, OBE, Hon.D.Eng. (James Cook), BE. whose photo appears below.

We now note that this distinguished engineer has retired as a Director of Mount Isa Mines on 30 June, 1994, having been a director since 1981. He had also served on many other boards in the MIM group. At the company's annual general meeting the Chairman paid tribute to John in the following words, "we especially acknowledge his judgment, wisdom and engineering knowledge. Very appropriately, his industry contributions were acknowledged when the James Cook University of North Queensland conferred upon him an honorary Doctorate of Engineering. We will miss him as a board member".

Clan MacGillivray wishes him a happy and healthy retirement.



John McGillivray McIntyre, distinguished engineer retires as Director Mount Isa Mines.

LINKS WITH THE PAST

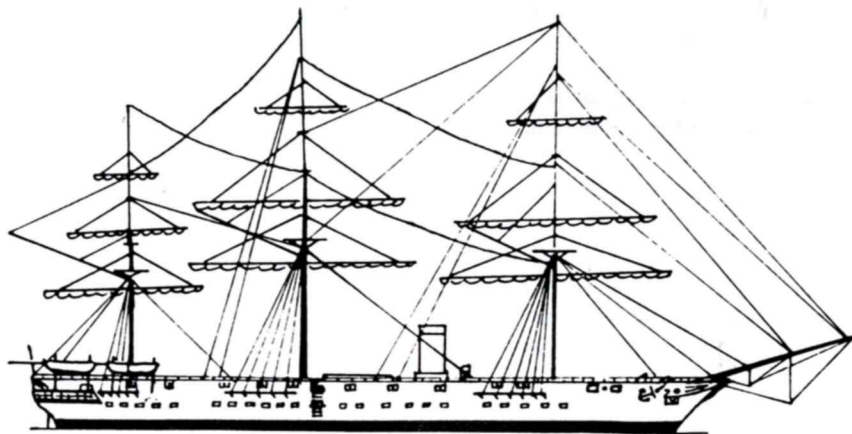
Mrs. Carol Tebbut, a grand-daughter of Dr. Paul Howard MacGillivray of Bendigo fame, wrote to tell us of a recent incident that reminded her of family past. During a visit to far north Queensland in 1994, she was being driven around the Mission Beach area when she noticed a *MacGillivray Street* and then the next one was *Owen Stanley Street*, a tangible reminder that her great-uncle, John MacGillivray, as botanist, and Owen Stanley, as skipper, were together in HMS *Rattlesnake* on voyages of discovery to Papua New Guinea, the Torres Strait Islands and Cape York in 1846-1850.

It was Captain Stanley, of course, after whom were named the Owen Stanley Ranges in Papua New

Guinea, the scene of heroic battles by Australian soldiers against the Japanese in World War 2.

Coincidentally, at the same time I happened to be reading a book by Rodney Liddell, "Cape York – The Savage Frontier" and in this was described the part played by John MacGillivray in the rescue by HMS *Rattlesnake* in 1849 of the Scottish woman, Barbara Thompson (nee Crawford). Barbara, born in Aberdeen in 1829, had arrived in Sydney with the rest of her family in 1837 and, after marrying in Brisbane, she became the sole survivor of the wreck in the Torres Straits of the small cutter "America" in September 1844.

Rescued from the sea by head-hunting natives from Prince of Wales Island, she survived only



HMS *Rattlesnake* 1862

because the village chief believed her to be the spirit of his dead daughter returned to live amongst them. For almost five years, she lived as a native until rescued by the "Rattlesnake". John MacGillivray's description of these events, contained in his two-volume narrative of the voyage, is regarded as a very reliable report. (*The relative sections of the narrative were reported at length in Vol.2 no.1, 1985, under the title "Tales*

from the past — a lady in distress". Ed.)

Carol adds that, by another coincidence, her family's old home in Wahroonga, which she and her husband sold in 1970, has recently been purchased by another clan member, Dr. David McGilvray!

Carol MacGillivray

A GOLDEN DAY FOR MARJORIE AND JOHN BROCK

In the February Newsletter, we briefly mentioned the celebration of their 50th. wedding anniversary on the 17th. June, 1994 by Marjorie and John Brock of Bundoora, Victoria, but the arrival of such a good photo of the occasion prompts us to write a little more about this loving couple.

As the brief details at the end of this article show, Marjorie is a great-great-granddaughter of the Scottish immigrants, John and Sarah (nee Forbes) McGillivray, so many of whose descendants are among our most keen and loyal supporters. It is a continuing source of great satisfaction that such a large proportion of members of this Society are descendants of MacGillivray girls, often generations removed, but they and their partners

value this link with the past and retain such a keen interest in Clan affairs.

Marjorie and John met in 1939, soon after the outbreak of World War 2. She lived at Flinders at the time, and John, the son of a Doreen farming family, was based nearby with the army. They married in 1944 but he spent the next 23 months on active service in Queensland and Borneo, so, as Marjorie says "it was nice to see him come home". The next 48 years were obviously to their liking, and neither has any doubt about the success of their marriage, with mutual understanding and love to the fore. They have a son, John, and a daughter Jan, four grandchildren, three step-grandchildren and one step-great-grandchild.



Belated but hearty congratulations to Marjorie and John Brock on their Golden Wedding. Marjorie is the great-great-granddaughter of John and Sarah McGillivray from Dunmaglass, Scotland.

the famous motor racing driver, Peter Brock, a nephew of John's.

We offer our belated congratulations and best wishes to Marj. and John.

John & Sarah (nee Forbes) McGillivray from Dunmaglass, Scotland.
 Their 2nd. child, Jane, married James Rivett at Murrindindi Station, near Yea.
 Their 5th. child, Sarah Jane, married John Mitchie Scott in 1893.
 Their 5th. child, Evelyn Maude, married Harry Jackson.
 Their 2nd child, Marjorie, married John Henry Brock on 17/6/44.

Rae McGillivray

In a beautifully decorated hall at Eltham, Victoria, family and friends totalling 75 gave the couple a wonderful party to celebrate the occasion — with them were their bridesmaid and best man, Marjorie's sister Joyce and John's brother Sandy, and on display were some of the old wedding photographs and telegrams. One of the main speakers to eulogize the couple was

WITH ONE VOICE

*My spirit is haunted,
 Haunted by its ancient past,
 I long to return to a country
 To which I have never been.*

*I long to speak again, to people I
 have never met,
 With whom I have never spoken,
 To share their music,
 Their love, their laughter.*

*I feel homesick for a land
 To which I've never been,
 Which I never should have left,
 My ancestors are calling.*

*Many people calling with one voice,
 Pressing me to remember that
 which I never knew:
 Their highland hills, their lochs and
 braes,
 The scent of heather and the sound
 of their voices,
 Calling, calling.*

Rosemary Hardin

ANNIE LAURIE

August marked the 312th. Anniversary of the birth of Annie Laurie. Annie was no myth, as many people suppose. she was the daughter of Sir William Laurie and was born in Dumfries in 1682, and a record of her birth may be seen in St. Michaels Church in that town. She was buried in Glencairn, a village within a few miles of Dumfries. Her last will and testament are preserved in an institution in her birthplace.

It was William Douglas of Kirkcudbright, a soldier of fortune, famed as a duellist and swordsman, whose love for Annie Laurie inspired him to write the first version of the famous ballad, about the year 1700. The lovers subsequently parted but Douglas did

not "lay me doon and dee", in 1706 he married an Edinburgh girl, Elizabeth Clarke. Four years later, Annie Laurie married Alexander Ferguson of Carigdarroch. She died in 1764.

Slightly different from the original, the modern version is the work of Alice Spotiswood, who, in 1834 finding the old verses in Allan Cunningham's "Songs of Scotland", altered them and added another verse. She gave Annie a dark blue eye, instead of a rolling one, and wedded them to the tune with its tender, sweet refrain, now known all over the world.

Os. A. C. C. Hardin
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SORAI DH Á SHEOR AIS — (Farewell to George)

Earlier in this publication we have focussed on the dedicated saga of achievements of the late George Macgillivray in his eighty years of life; the part he played in business, in wartime service, as a civic leader and above all his leadership as Commander of our Clan. In this item, however, I wish to give a more personal perspective of a man who was a dear and sincere friend to me for over twenty years and a great and generous supporter of this Australian Clan Society.

I first met George in 1972, quite by chance. In the U.S.A. on business, I was having discussions in the office of a chemical company in St. Paul, Minnesota, when someone commented that the man in the next room was a Jim McGillivray, so, of course, I went to say "hullo". Jim admitted that he had no interest whatsoever in the Clan or in the origins of his ancestors, but he went on to say that he knew of a Macgillivray in Thunder Bay, Canada, who was compiling a history of the clan and that I should contact him, handing me his telephone as he dialled the number! This was on a Friday before a long weekend and I was due in Toronto on the Tuesday, so George had little trouble in convincing me that I should hop in a 'plane to Thunder Bay since it was "just a short hop across Lake

Superior", while at the same time he told me, in colourful language, his opinion of the authorities who had recently renamed Port Arthur and Fort William as Thunder Bay. Fort William had originally been named after the legendary William MacGillivray of The Great Northwest Company, and George had fought hard to have the name retained.

What a grand weekend I was to spend with George and his charming wife, Nancy. On the Saturday morning I came down the steps from the little 'plane onto a broad expanse of tarmac, to be met by a kiltea piper (in MacGillivray tartan, of course) who marched me across to the terminal gate where George awaited me. Into town we drove, to find the complete MacGillivray Pipe Band of Thunder Bay on parade for a civic function, and that night I was a guest at an International Reunion Dinner of the Lake Superior Scottish Regiment (Motor) — *this regiment also wore our tartan* — and Chairman for this function was George's younger brother, Ian. I would really have liked longer in Nancy and

George's lovely home to explore more fully his extensive library and collection of scottish artifacts which included an antique dining

table and chairs bearing Clan Chattan crests, these having come from an earlier Moy Hall, home of the MacKintosh of MacKintosh.

Next morning we were off early by car, first to the remnants of his famous Dalcrombie Highland Pony Stud and then to their well-equipped log cabin, deep in the woods and on the shores of Lake Shebandowan. Here, I was privileged to read the near-final proof of our Clan History, of which George was co-author along with Robert of Edinburgh, and even to proposing a few minor amendments to the Australian section.

Back in Australia again, where the infant Clan MacGillivray Society was getting under way, we learned that George was to visit us for the 1977 Gathering at John McGillivray's home in Manly, after which I drove him down to Melbourne via Bateman's Bay, Canberra, the Snowy Mountains and Bright. This was the opportunity to really get to know the man, to appreciate his deep interest in the history of our Clan and his ambitions for it, his frustrations from years of battling with officialdom at home and in Scotland, and his determination to carry on despite already crippling arthritis. He was the one who so often urged me to take the necessary steps towards matriculation of a personal coat of arms in the Court of Lord Lyon, King of Arms for Scotland, an action that I delayed overlong but

eventually took, much to George's delight.

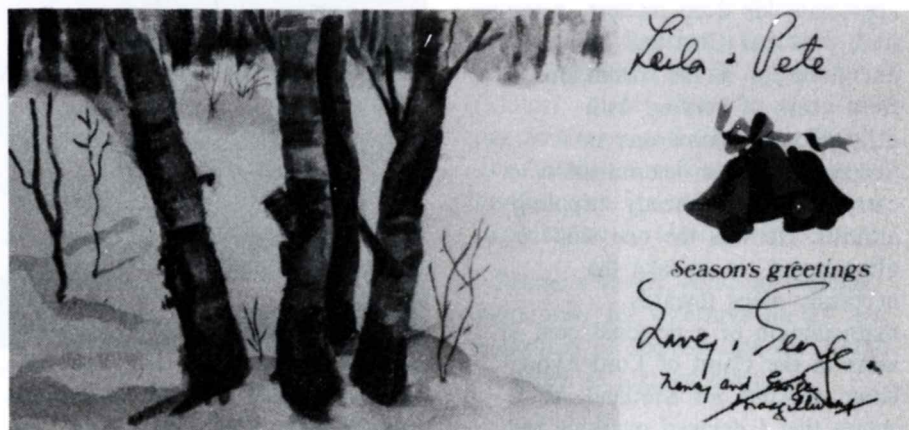
His intense and sincere interest in all things Australian was very evident, ranging from aboriginal art and culture through to our experiences in both World Wars — he was very deeply moved indeed by all that he saw at the War Museum in Canberra, and would have stayed there much longer had our busy schedule permitted. On the road again, I was constantly faced with a barrage of questions about our flora and fauna, which truly fascinated him. Many times I would have to bring the car to an abrupt



Peter and George. Picture taken in October 1977 at home of Ian McGillivray - Elder, inaugural editor of the Clan Journal

halt for him to examine more closely a tree or shrub which caught his attention, to watch a flock of birds or to inspect a roadside animal carcass, about all of which he made copious notes in his little book. The Australian Terrier was his favourite domestic pet, but it was the Thylacine or Tasmanian Tiger and it's reputed extinction which really took his fancy – to his dying day, he remained convinced that we had seen one cross the road ahead of us, and he became an avid reader of any reported sighting or other details of this unique creature.

There is no better way to sum up his feelings about his trip to our land than to repeat his own words *"I must tell you that I love Australia and our Aussie family. I haven't been Down Under since 1977, but what a time I had then – never a welcome in my life to match that one – six weeks of your warm climate and hospitality that knew no bounds"*.



Another aspect of George's life was his love of painting and sketching – letters from him were often accompanied by a coloured snapshot of his latest effort in watercolour or a pen and ink sketch, or the latest joke that took his fancy – some of which were not really appropriate for reproduction in this journal! Despite the severe setbacks to his way of life caused by Nancy's untimely death and his own crippling illness, he never lost his keen sense of humour nor his ability to accept a joke against himself.

Yet, how disappointing it must have been for him to remain unsuccessful in his claims for recognition as Chief of our Clan – he would have served us with distinction.

Those of us who knew him well will miss him greatly and, in the Gaelic tongue of our forefathers, say "Soraidh á Sheorais ar charaid".

Dear McGillivray

SORAIDH:

MARJORIE JEAN MCGILLIVRAY (1922 - 1995)

Marjorie Jean McGillivray, known as Jean, was born in Sunshine, Victoria on 9 November 1922, the daughter of Edward John and Grace McLaine McKenzie. She attended Albion State School and then Sunshine Technical School where she studied domestic science which stood her in good stead for the rest of her life, and she also became quite a competent pianist.

The greater part of her working life was spent at Alley Brothers in Flinders Lane as a seamstress and also modelling clothes that she had helped to produce. She also worked in the dressmaking departments of Myer and Foy & Gibson. As a young woman, and indeed throughout her life Jean made a habit of always attending the Anzac Day parades in respect for her father, who was a veteran of the Gallipoli and France campaigns.

Jean married William John (Bill) McGillivray in St. Andrews Presbyterian church, Footscray on 27 April 1946, and sadly she just failed to reach the milestone of 50 years of marriage that she so much wanted to do. With Bill working as a Railway Station Master, they spent many years in Victorian country towns, Lal Lal, Devenish

and Trafalgar, where Jean gave him such good support that she was jokingly referred to as 'the assistant Station Master'. At all times she played an active role in her local church and its Ladies Guild, in the CWA., and loved to attend the



Marjorie Jean McGillivray, 1922 - 1995

local dances. On one occasion, Jean made a broadcast over Shepparton radio on behalf of the CWA. (is that where her son Bill gained his interviewing technique and his enthusiasm for community radio ? ed.)

In 1961 the family moved to Eltham, where Jean and Bill remained for the rest of her life, she loving the trees and surrounding hills and especially her own garden. She liked to make her own clothes and to bake and decorate cakes,

skills which found her in great demand - the wedding cakes that she made for her children and birthday cakes for grandchildren were a work of art, not to mention those made for us to raffle at the Clan MacGillivray gatherings at Greensborough.

Jean McGillivray was a gentle, kind and courageous lady who will be sadly missed by all who knew her.

PETER BULMER HEDLEY

Peter Bulmer Hedley died on 1 May 1994 at the age of 72 years. He became a member of the Clan McGillivray through his wife Margaret being a descendant of McGillivray emigrants from the Isle of Skye.

Though of English descent, Peter became very interested in the Clan and enjoyed reading the journals. He was disappointed that he and Margaret were unable to attend the gatherings.

Peter was the elder son of Duncan and Verlie Hedley of "Abbey Green", Singleton and was educated in Sydney and at Hawkesbury Agricultural College. In 1940 he joined the 12th Light Horse Regiment. After discharge he worked on "Abbey Green" and on his own property until ill-health forced his retirement from active farming.

In 1948 he married Margaret Ross and they went to live in Wagga Wagga.

During the years Peter was involved in many community organisations: School of Arts, ABC Concert Committee, Eisteddfod, W.E.A., Schools, Guiding and Scouting Associations, Show Committees, Rugby Union, Hockey and Cricket Committees. He was a member of the Australasian Pioneers' Club and the Sydney Cricket Ground for almost fifty years.

Peter's happy nature and sense of humour endeared him to his family and friends and he is much missed by them.

Peter is survived by his wife Margaret, his sons Michael and Andrew, and his daughter Prue.

Margaret Hedley

I would like to add a personal message to Margaret Hedley's brief resume of her late husband's life and work. I first met Peter when, in January 1939, we both arrived at Hawkesbury Agricultural College in New South Wales to commence a three year course in Agricultural Science, and, along with about forty other 1st year students we went through and survived a strenuous week-long initiation 'ceremony'. Right from the start Peter was noted for his ready sense of fun, his willingness to smile through

adversity, and above all his friendliness.

Despite the fact that he only spent one year with us before wartime service intervened and despite the passage of time since then, when I mentioned his death at a recent reunion of 'Old Boys' of our vintage, all remembered Peter with affection and were most interested to learn of his extensive civic achievements. We extend deepest sympathy to his family.

Dor McGillivray

VIOLET MARJORIE RUNDELL (1914 - 1994)

Only two years ago we published a story about Margery McGillivray Fisk, 1850-1914, third child of the legendary pioneer settlers, John and Sarah, and this contained a letter, important from a historical point of view, written by that lady's grand-daughter Marjorie Rundell. Now, we are sorry to have to record the death of the latter loyal clan member.

Marjorie Richards, an only child, had an impressive wartime record at Newport, a Melbourne suburb, being engaged in the building of Beaufort bombers and Beau fighters, as one of the first Australian women to qualify as a Grade 1 welder. On 19 December, 1941 she married

Robert Charles Rundell, the couple living at Erica for a short time before taking up residence at Heywood for most of their life together, and raising four children, Heather Coralie, Robert John, David Grant and Meridith Anne.

Marjorie was an active Uniting Church member, having held various officers in the Ladies Guild, and well respected in the local community. She is sadly missed by all.

CLAUDE VINCENT GUEST (1917 - 1994)

Alma's husband, Claude Vincent Guest, passed away on 29 June 1994 after a long illness. Born on 29 September 1917 in South Melbourne, Claude spent an adventurous boyhood, when, after leaving school at age 15, he sold newspapers at a busy city intersection and then was apprenticed in the leather trade, before starting as a taxi driver in 1938.

In 1940 he volunteered for war service with the 2nd AIF, serving in 2/4th Base Workshops in various parts of Australia before a long tour of duty in New Guinea. After the war he resumed his career with a taxi company in 1946, married Alma on 19 August 1950, and this couple had a son Geoffrey and a daughter Heather.

Claude is remembered for his devotion to family life and above all for his keen, some would say 'wicked', sense of humour, as he delighted in playing harmless practical jokes on his friends.

To Alma and family we extend the Clan's deepest sympathy.

KEITH BRADFORD COULSELL

It is with much sadness that I write to let you know that my husband, Keith passed away on 25 January 1995. We had only just arrived home from travelling around Australia by car and caravan for over six and a half months covering 36000 kilometres through this vast, beautiful and fascinating country, full of contrasts - an absolute wondrous experience for us both. Keith worked for 41 years with the State Public Works Department retiring in 1961, aged 60. He enjoyed many and varied hobbies, walking and swimming among them, had a great love of music and enjoyed the game of bowls. He was a quiet achiever in many ways and our life together was a very happy one. Our only child, Paul Malcolm, married Katrina Krause about a month after his father's death. I was Inez McGillivray before marrying Keith, my parents being Lucy and Malcolm McGillivray of Moonee Ponds, his family having originally settled at Lethbridge, Victoria.

Inez Faisell

DANNY MCGILVRAY

Our heartfelt sympathies are extended to Anthony and Denise McGillivray of Cronulla, NSW, whose twenty five year old son Danny passed away on 27 February 1995. Danny was descended from Alexander and Sarah McGillivray of Argyllshire, who arrived in Australia on the George Fiffe on 23 January 1840, and he is the second grandson lost by Julie McGrath of Wallerawang in a little over twelve months.

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