

THE BUCHANAN BANNER

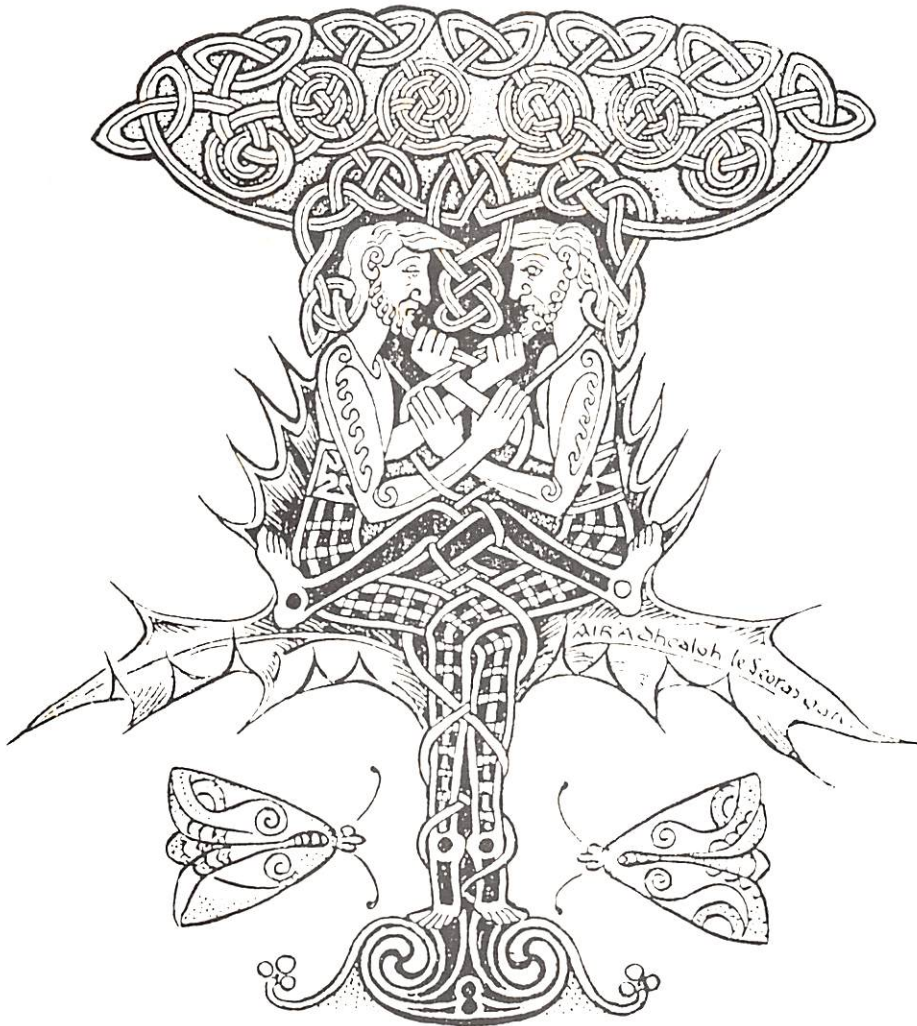


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PURPOSE

The purpose of the organization is to foster and promote understanding and good fellowship among descendants of Scots in America; to study, preserve, and promote the culture, customs, and traditions of the people of Scotland and the Isles especially with regard to the Clan Buchanan; to foster and promote the Society by initiating goals and objectives consistent with our heritage and the desires of the membership.



THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

With the election of officers now complete and the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games just ahead, I would like to urge all those who possibly can, to join me at the annual meeting on Friday evening, July 8th in the Ramada Inn at Boone. Not only will there be a fine buffet dinner and entertainment, but there are a number of important issues to be discussed.

We have had excellent representation at many of the major Scottish Games and Festivals this year. Unfortunately, unusually severe weather kept the attendance down at Houston, Gatlinburg, and Red Springs. On the "plus" side, we were represented at the Glenfiddich Games in New York City on May 14th and 15th by Kevin Hayes who signed up ten new members, including Mrs. Margaret Krause who was the Clans Coordinator for the games and who is also Chief of the Caledonia Club of New York. Kevin wrote that Mrs. Krause was most helpful in getting the Society an excellent tent location as well as assisting in other ways. Too, Jean Hunt provided Kevin with information, brochures, application forms and a tartan cloth as well as helpful hints on how to be a convener since this was his first experience. All of them deserve our thanks and appreciation for their efforts.

On the west coast we now have Mrs. Arline Cormack Gomez, author of the very excellent cookbook "A Wee Taste of Scotland", who has invited members of the Society in the northern California area to her home for a "get-together" party to discuss plans for our representation at the Santa Rose Games in September. As previously noted, our former Executive Secretary, Harold Townend is moving to San Diego, so we will now have a strong representation out there.

I am pleased to report a significant increase in the number of cards and letters received concerning the Society. This may be due in some part to the "card" now appearing in the "Scottish Societies" section of the "HIGHLANDER" but I believe that it is due even more so to the willingness of our members to become actively involved by attending more of the games

and gatherings and by serving as conveners or assisting at the Clan tent or booth. For whatever reason, we are getting more inquiries and many of these are resulting in new members. One example was a recent telephone call from Life Member Sam Crutchfield of Annandale, Virginia. Mr. Crutchfield was recently in Mexico on business and encountered a "Buchanan" while there who was very much interested in knowing more about our Society. Mr. Crutchfield asked for a supply of brochures and application forms which he could carry in his briefcase and have available to give out as he travels extensively on business.

One final note. Another reminder the "DUES ARE DUE"! If you do not have a blue membership card, chances are that (unless you are a Sponsor or Life Member) you haven't yet paid your 1983/84 dues. Please check, and if you haven't sent in your check for \$7.50, do it today. We operate on a rather limited budget and the dues are truly the "life blood" of the organization. We need your support and help to provide for representation at the various games and gatherings and for the printing and mailing of the "BANNER".

CLAR INNIS!

AUDACES JUVO!

FORWARD BUCHANANS!

Aye Yours,

George



ELECTION RESULTS

The election results as reported by the Judge of Elections, Mr. David Morehead of Clan Farquarson are as follows:

President -George S.G. Buchanan
Vice President -Arren C. Buchanan, M.D.
Executive Secretary-Margretta B. Eagon
Treasurer -Richard C. Hobbs
Membership Secretary-C.Levon Watson
Member At Large -Harold T. Townend

Trustee-Class of 1985 - Jean A. Hunt
Jack W. Bailey

Trustee-Class of 1986 - F.Talmadge Buchanan, M.D.
Charles E. Ingram

Congratulations to you all.

The newly elected officers and trustees will be installed at the Annual Meeting at the Ramada Inn, Boone, North Carolina on Friday, 8 July 1983.

GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN HIGHLAND GAMES INFORMATION

Information Center

The GMHG Information Center will be located at the Pixie Motel, Linville, North Carolina, where tickets and programs may be purchased Monday 4 July through Friday, 8 July 9:00a.m. until 5:00p.m.

Picnic

Thursday, July 7th, on MacRae Meadow. Food concessions will be on the Meadow or you may bring your own picnic basket. We will have lights at the Field but you may find flashlights handy. Following the ceremony a film will be shown by the National Trust for Scotland.

Ceremony

Thursday, July 7th, following the picnic, MacRae Meadow. "Lighting of the Torches to Raise the Clans of Scotland". Clans will be asked to furnish ONE male participant in proper attire.

Scottish Country Dancing Gala

Will be held at Lees McRae College (Williams Gymnasium) Friday, July 8th.

- a. As the College has a policy against serving alcoholic beverages on the premises, soft drinks will be available.
- b. Tickets will be sold at the GMHG Information Center, Grandfather Golf and Country Club and at the door.
- c. Tickets will be \$8.00 per participant and \$3.00 for spectators over 12 years of age.
- d. THE THISTLE BAND WILL BE WITH US AGAIN FOR THIS OCCASION.
- e. Chairman: Larry M. Long
246 DeLee Drive
Kingsport, TN 37663

Co-Chairman: Mrs. Elizabeth Barnes
5034 Eskridge Terrace, NW
Washington, D.C. 20016

Buchanan Annual Meeting

Will be held at the Ramada Inn, Boone North Carolina on Friday, July 8th. Dinner at 7:30 with meeting to convene after the Dinner.

Ceilidh

Friday, July 8th, 8:00p.m. and Saturday, July 9th, 7:30p.m., Hayes Auditorium, Lees-McRae College, Banner Elk, North Carolina.. Tickets at the door.

Adults - \$5.00

Child - \$2.00
(under 12 yrs)

Parade of Tartans

We urge all participants to wear kilts or trews. Sunday 10 July after the Kirking of the Tartan.

Tartan Ball

Saturday, July 9th - 9:00p.m. - Music by the Thistle Band.
Parking of cars has been greatly improved with a reduction in time.
Reservations may be made by contacting:

Martha B. Chase
Box 1676
Johnson City, TN. 37605
615/928-2191

Clan Competition

It is requested that each clan have a representative to compete in the Clan Kilted Mile. This runner may be a sept of the clan. He is to report to the athletic tent Saturday morning or he can pre-register by writing to:

Rev. Richard R. Gammon
603 South Elm Street
Greenville, NC 27834

Tug-O-War is most successful. If you desire to have your clan represented with a team, please have a representative of the team present the list of names of the team at the athletic tent Saturday morning.

Shuttle Buses

Please advise your members that bus transportation is available. Buses will operate from the parking area opposite the riding stables on NC 105 near the junction of US 221, and possibly in an area on US 181 towards Newland.

Crossnore Volunteer Fire Department operates these buses and will charge a fee. Bus transportation will enable a person to possibly leave the field quicker than by car parked in the public area at the Games site.

Roseboro Road

We urge all Clan and Society members to use the Roseboro Road to the Meadow. This will avoid the usual congestion in Linville. This paved road is off of US 221 (runs in front of the Eseeola Golf Club entrance and driving range), follow it to the end, turn left on the Blue Ridge Parkway to US 221, follow signs toward Grandfather Mountain entrance and MacRae Meadow. A map will be on the back of the poster and signs will be erected for guidance.


It is a North Carolina law that cars parked on the side of a highway cannot touch the pavement. Please notify your members of this as last year the Highway Patrol had a number of cars towed away.



Buchanan Piper Named Chief's Piper

We recently received a news release from Bishop, California informing us that our Clansman and member of the Clan Buchanan of the Loch Ness Scots Pipe Band of Bishop, California was made the Clan MacLennan Chief's Piper in the United States at the Clans Annual gathering and games on April 9, 1983. The gathering was held in Atascadero, California. The award was signified by a gold clan badge which was presented to Pipe Major Buchanan by Jon D. McLennan, Chiefs Lieutenant in the U.S. The award was made in recognition of services to the MacLennan Chief, Col. Ronald MacLennan of MacLennan RM, during his 1982 visit to the United States.

Congratulations, Pipe Major for a job well done!



Anniversary of Scholar's Death Goes Unmarked

This article appeared in the Glasgow Herald on 28 September 1982.(Edition)

Today is the 400th anniversary of the death of one of Scotland's most noted sons, but the occasion will pass almost unnoticed.

Born near Killearn, Stirlingshire, in 1506, George Buchanan became a great European and Scottish scholar, writer, political philosopher, and reformer.

A leading figure in the Scottish Reformation, he is considered by many historians to have been a deadlier enemy to Mary Queen of Scots than John Knox.

Though he was not a minister, Buchanan became Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland in 1567, probably the only layman ever to hold the position.

He was a student in Paris at 14, a soldier briefly at 17, and later graduated and taught at Paris and St. Andrews.

He enraged Cardinal Beaton for exposing clerical corruption and hypocrisy and was imprisoned as a result, but escaped to Bordeaux where he taught and continued his writing and teaching.

A 103ft obelisk commemorating Buchanan stands at Killearn but the parish minister, the Rev. Robert Symington, said yesterday "I made a reference to Buchanan in the church last Sunday but there will be no ceremony of any kind in the village tomorrow."

"Buchanan was a great scholar but most of his writings were in Latin and as a result few people have read them."



THE EASTERN SHORE OF LOCH LOMOND--CLAN BUCHANAN TERRITORY

By J.A.Hunt

For those interested in Clan Buchanan, their origins, their Home Turf, when in Scotland do save a week of your time to that lovely section of farms, lochs, hills, and the whole of Loch Lomond area... and especially the Eastern Shore that once formed our Clan Territory. It gives one a unique feeling of belonging, knowing that our ancestors for over nine hundred years once lived, loved, worked, fought and helped one another in the constant fight for survival. We stayed in a B&B in Garocharn in 1981 during the three days when we joined with the Buchanan Clan Gathering and felt it would be great to live in that area... later I found that the Harpers (my family Sept) once lived there. It was uncanny... my heart indeed had spoken to guide me 'home.' Let your instincts guide you!

The Clan Buchanan Gathering in 1981 was such a rich experience and everyone was so friendly and helpful, especially the former preses A. Ian Buchanan and his wife Katy-O.. who introduced us to several people that have become our fast friends. Thus in the Fall of 1982 we decided to spend a couple of weeks in the area, making our headquarters in Aberfoyle and driving out each day to see the various places of historical interest and beauty. We thought it might help others to plan their trips, and perhaps to prepare the way with the gathered information, for a future Clan Buchanan Gathering.

Aberfoyle is an attractive village offering every convenience, Golf, Pony Treking, B&B's Inns, Shops, an excellent Beauty Shop, and many good places to eat. Do write their very helpful Tourist Bureau. Our good friends Michael and Hazel Armstrong with the aid of the family, own and manage a great Tartan Shop - "Armstrong's of Aberfoyle". They work seven days a week during the busy season but we spent evenings with them. Their prices are so very good and service is excellent. We have sent many of our Scottish friends to be outfitted for their Highland Garb... in person or by mail and everyone has been delighted.

For daily trips, the distances are short so it makes for leisurely exploring. A 20 minute scenic one lane route goes past Kinlochard, through moors and heather to Inversnaid, a 30' high waterfall is next to the Inversnaid Hotel. Wordsworth wrote his poem "To a Highland Girl" when he visited Inversnaid in 1803. Rob Roy's cave is just North. Loch Katrine is four miles from Inversnaid, and from Stronachlachar pier a steamer takes

passengers through the world-famous Trossachs-immortalized by Sir Walter Scott in his "Lady of the Lake". Inversnaid Hotel runs a ferry service to the west side of Loch Lomond and pleasure cruises. A warm welcome and safe mooring await when you visit Rowardennan Hotel in the lee of Ben Lomond. Take a leisurely walk along the forest trail to Inversnaid, or for the energetic, the pathway to the summit of Ben Lomond.

Cashell - an early religious establishment with buildings surrounded by a stone wall. The Conic Hill 1, 175 - this hill and Inchcailloch lie on the line of the Highlands Boundary fault which divides the lowlands to the south from the Highlands to the North. Balmaha-"Village on the Water" has a cozy harbor and you can view the Buchanan Isle of Clarinch. You know the war cry -- "Clar Innes". The village of Buchanan is on the Drymen to Balmaha Rd. with its smithy and school. In 1759, the Session Records show that this was the centre of 105 families of 503 persons. The whole Parish had a population of 1,117. For centuries this village was the centre of Clan activities where the Chiefs and Clansmen foregathered.

The Church at Buchanan was dedicated prior to 1474, to our Lady of the Virgin Mary by a Buchanan Laird, then til the Reformation it was the Chapel of St. Mary of Buchanan. The present Church was built on the site in 1764. Buchanan Parish is in the Lowlands of Scotland, but the largest portion of the parish, which includes Ben Lomond, 3,192' high is in the Highlands. Near Drymen is the Buchanan Castle Golf Club House which is adjacent to the ancient remains of the Place Buchanan which stood until 1850, when it burnt down. The first Laird recorded in the Archives was Alan de Buchanan in 1274. There is an old engraving made in 1787 by J.P. Neale. The Buchanan Castle built in 1857 by the Duke of Montrose is unconnected with the Clan but has romantic ruins.

Dumgoyne Hill, from over Strathblane from Glasgow lies at the western end of Campsie Fells. It towers over Killearn, marks the entrance to Strathendrick and stands as Guardian of Buchanan Country. Killearn village is quaint and is dominated by a huge obelisk. 19' square at the base and 103' high, built of Local White Mill Stone Grit. This monument was erected in 1788 to the memory of George Buchanan (1506-1582), the historian during the reign of Mary Queen of Scots, and he was the tutor of her son. George Buchanans house, where he was born, is still there. Another old home is called "Mollie Harper's House". We spent some time in the old Kirk ruins reading the old gravestones. One a Kincaid-Buchanan we noted, might prove assistance to one of our members searching for her family roots! The River Endrick flows from the Lands of Lennox in the Campsie Fells through Strathendrick and Buchanan Parish to Loch Lomond. The Pot near Gartness -- is a famous Salmon Leap and the Old Mill is where John Napier (1550-1617) of Merchiston produced his system of Logarithms. Do have lunch in the old Black Bull Inn in Killearn.

Lake of Menteith is just minutes away from Aberfoyle. On an island in the Lake near its North Shore are the ruins of the Augustinian Prior of Inchmahome to intrigue tourists. There is a wee ride. The ruins are an attractive memorial of medieval monastic life. The earliest buildings are of mid-thirteenth Century. King Robert visited in 1308, and 1310. In 1358 Robert II visited the island and his son became the tenth Earl of Menteith. After the disastrous Battle of Pinkie (1547) the Regent Arran committed the young Queen Mary and her mother to the safe-keeping of the Commendator of Inchmahome. Robert Erskine, Commendator from 1529 is said to have assisted in the education of the great Scholar, George Buchanan


by a contribution from the priory lands.

Going a short distance North past Loch Venachar, visit the Pass of Leny, Countess of Leny tied by marriage to a Buchanan, then to Callander with its mill outlets and very close is the good short walk to Bracklin Falls. Many Buchanans are buried across the River in Callander... the road continues to Doune where Highland Games are held in September and the great Stewart Castle of Doune... see Stirling, of course, and come back by Kippen (remember story of King of Kippen?) Buchlie, Balfron, Fintry where Culreuch Castle (old Galbraith Stronghold) is now open to the public and on Sunday there is a "Piper's Lunch" and tour.

The British Rail Steam Locomotive No. 72000 was named "Clan Buchanan" in 1950 by the late Sir George Leith-Buchanan - "Clan Buchanan", even on the Seven Seas is recognized. The fourth Vessel named by the Clan Line in our honour, built in Dumbarton in 1941 by W. Denny & Bros. Ltd. 7467 gross Tons.

Lady Leith-Buchanan lives in Gartocharn and enjoys the most spectacular view extant of Loch Lomond. Lady Barbara is very gracious to visiting Buchanans. Sir George and his family lived in the Manor House on the edge of the Loch called "Ross Priory", which is now taken over by a school. The Gardens are still beautiful. Lady Leith-Buchanan has many of the family portraits and antiques that once graced the Ross Priory. Sir Walter Scott visited the Buchanans and wrote the "Lady of the Lake" and Rob Roy while staying at Ross Priory. Lady Leith-Buchanan often lends some of her special antiques for Charitable Shows. Her home a Colonial Cape Cod house is very cozy but the Scottish people have not had to protect their water pipes the way New England must.. thus during the severe winter of 1981-1982 water pipes burst, roof problems occurred through the Loch Lomond area. Lady Leith-Buchanan had an intelligent solution, she repaired to sunny Spain and sat out the dreadful winter of 'burst pipes'. Her beautiful daughter Helen Buchanan Sochart lives nearby in the converted Mill House. She is famous for her superb horses who are champion jumpers. Helen competes in all the big shows.

The Buchanan Society, 24 George Square, Glasgow, Scotland G 2 1 EE invites you to write or visit. Those of the names of Buchanan, Risk, MacAuslan and MacWattie may apply for membership. The Society was founded in Glasgow on 5 March 1725 and is the oldest Clan Society in Scotland. From its inception the main purpose of the Society has been to benefit Scots who need assistance. The Society is the provision of a store of information on the forebearers of many Buchanans now scattered throughout the world.


ADDITION TO SOCIETY LIBRARY

A welcome addition to the Society's Library has been received. It is entitled "WALLACE*FRIERSON AND ALLIED FAMILIES", compiled by Charles Hamilton Young and Frances-Keith Wallace Carlisle, published by Mountain City Press of Kyle, Texas; 1982, 300 pages. Some 100 pages are devoted to those mentioned

in the title which include James Buchanan and his wife Jane Sayers who emigrated to Northumberland County, Pennsylvania in 1736. Their son, John Buchanan moved to Augusta County, Virginia and eventually became a Colonel in the colonial wars. According to some writers, James Buchanan was the son of William Buchanan of County Tyrone, Ireland and was cousin of the great-grandfather of James Buchanan, President of the United States. The other 200 pages contain exceptional background material of the British Isles from before the Norman Conquest of 1066 and also of the European continent.

Lineages of British Kings and continental dynasties are detailed. Those of the Barons named in the Magna Carta are particularly intriguing. An appendix provides excellent discussion of the New York City land title of concern to Buchanans in the 1920s. Judy Burkhardt of Berne, Indiana provided some of the Buchanan material as did the Society's data collection. Contact Rowland S. Wilson, 3011 34th St. N.W. Washington, D.C. for information.



THE CONVENORS CORNER

Savannah Scottish Games 1983

The Sixth Annual Scottish Games and Highland Gathering at Savannah was held May 6, 7 and 8 at Old Fort Jackson. The event was special this year as the State of Georgia is also celebrating its 250th birthday in 1983.

Clan Buchanan was represented by Charlotte and Tal LeGrand and Margretta and Bob Eagon. We gathered at the Riverfront Motor Inn on Bay Street on Friday afternoon. From the motel we had a view of the bridge over the Savannah river and the many activities of River Street were right at our door. A generous hospitality suite was available at the motel for all Scottish guests. On Friday evening we attended a lavish reception held at the historic Telfair Academy and Museum. It was a great treat to be able to enjoy this lovely restored home, now a museum.

Saturday morning dawned warm but foggy. We later found that the dense fog had been imported "at no little expense" by the Games committee to make us feel at home. By the time we reached the Fort and had set up our tent, the Georgia sun had dispersed the fog and the gnats and a good breeze all day made the day very pleasant.

The Parade of Tartans at noon was the official opening of the Games. Many athletic records fell during the day. Special athletic events for youngsters were held and the first Amateur Highland Athletic Events Competition drew many enthusiastic contestants.

Saturday evening the Tartan Ball was held in the lovely Savannah Golf Club not far from the Fort. Following an evening of dancing a country buffet breakfast was served.

Sunday morning was bright and warm and the Kirkin' o' Th' Tartans was held at the Scots Independent Presbyterian Church. A colorful and impressive ceremony it was. The Buchanan Banner was carried by Hugh "Buck" Hill. New Life members Charles and Joyce Pidgeon were also in attendance as was member Hamish Pollock. Sixteen families came by our tent for information and we signed up two new members on the spot: Eleanor Salisbury and Rosalynde Cowdrey. We can certainly recommend Savannah Games for a pleasant and relaxed weekend.



Margretta B. Eagon

1983 GLENFIDDICH GAMES

Governor Mario Cuomo declared May 14-15, 1983 as "Glenfiddich Scottish Games Days" in the State of New York. As part of Great Britain's Salute to New York, this Scottish gathering was held on the North Lawn of Central Park, in New York City. It was sponsored by the Saint Andrew's Society of the State of New York, founded in 1756. This was the first time in N.Y. history that there had been Scottish games in Central Park, and the first time since 1933 that New York City had seen a Scottish gathering of this type. Mayor Edward Koch of NYC urged all citizens to attend this two day festival.

Charlton Heston (his real name) was the Honorary High Chief of the Games. At the opening ceremonies on Saturday he took credit for the beautiful weather, having a special connection with the Lord above. Everyone laughed, but when the unfortunate rain came on Sunday, Mr. Heston had some explaining to do. He said that he had reconsidered for Sunday and decided to give us a true taste of Scotland's misty weather! By ancestral descent he is a Fraser. His wife accompanied him. Wearing tartan, Mr. Heston visited the clan tents (about 32 clan associations, St. Andrew's, etc), and signed the register book at the Clan Buchanan tent, as well as shaking hands.

Merlin, 24th Earl of Erroll, and 32nd Chief of the Clan Hay also attended, along with his wife, the Countess of Erroll. He is a member of the House of Lords, attended Eton, and has travelled world-wide. He signed the Buchanan register as well, and was most interesting to talk with. He had two large eagle feathers in his bonnet. He was glad to pose for a picture with me in front of the Buchanan tent.

Dr. Michael Kelly, Lord Provost of Glasgow also attended from Scotland.

The Shotts and Dykehead Caledonia Pipe Band, world champions, from Scotland were the star musical performers. They piped both days, along with fancy marching routines, and a lot of picture taking. There were other local NY piping bands in attendance. (Unfortunately, since this was Britain's salute to NY, all the Irish Bands pulled out, fortunately there were no demonstrations).

There was piping, dancing, and throwing the weight, along with much good spirit and renewed interest in Scottish heritage. Unfortunately, NYC park rules banned the selling of Scottish products, and foods. This was a disappointment to all.

Many people stopped at the Clan Buchanan tent, asked questions, read the materials, and signed the register. Ten new members were signed up. Saturday provided for a good crowd of people, but Sunday's rain kept many away. All in all, it proved to be a successful gathering in Central Park.

"Glenfiddich" means "Valley of the Deer". Wm. Grant & Sons, producers of the Glenfiddich Scotch Whiskey were the sponsors of the games.

I forgot to mention. On Sunday, there was an ecumenical Kirkin o' The Tartan. Family Clan banners on tall poles were provided by the NY Caledonian Club, and were paraded and included in the festivities along with marching bands. Buchanans in the crowd applauded the Buchanan Banner.

Aye yours,

Kevin P. Hayes
Glenfiddich, New York Convener



GREAT SMOKY MTNS-GATLINBURG GAMES

May 19-22 1983

The second annual Great Smoky Mountain-Gatlinburg games began on a wet, soggy note. The festivities started at 7p.m. Thursday night at the Sponsors Reception held in the Ramda Inn Convention Center. Among those in attendance were founders and officers Frank Bratton, President Billie Bethel, Vice-President Brownlee Reagon, and Richard Buchanan. True to Scottish tradition, the Haggis (with "Americanized" recipe) was piped in by John Shell of Roane Mountain. And it was graciously provided and respectfully addressed by Ivan McArthur of Clan MacArthur. Additional entertainment was provided by the official guest singer Colin Grant-Adams of Oban, Scotland, who was also the official guest singer at last year's games.

Friday, the day of the Grand Parade, once again started out with the threat of rain. The threat became reality when the bottom of the clouds dropped out amid lingering confusion as to whether the parade would proceed. The parade was definitely cancelled! An announcement was later made that the parade was rescheduled for 5:30p.m. Saturday.

Beginning 8:15p.m. Friday evening the Country Dance was held at the Gatlinburg Civic Center. Clan Buchanan was proudly represented by Charlotte and Tal LeGrand, Charles Ingram, and other clan members. Simultaneously, the annual banquet at the Ramada Inn was attended by clan members John Bailey and Charlotte Summers of Madison, TN.

Saturday morning began with a steady rain but by the time we arrived at the field it had almost ceased. The clouds lifted by 11a.m. and spectators began to trickle in. The torrential rain of the night before, however, made the field a muddy, mushy mess. Thanks to a four-wheeler that was driven down clan tent "alley", the trekking was not made any easier. Mud-caked feet and mud-splattered kilts were a common, discouraging sight. Despite the rather inconvenient conditions, the games went well, optimistic spirits persisted, and attendance good.

A total of thirty-two clans were in attendance, which is an increase of five clans over the 1982 games (as indicated by the game programs). Six pipe bands also participated. Among them were the popular John Mohr McIntosh Pipe Band (Atlanta, GA) and the excellent Rosie O'Grady's Band (Orlando, Fla.)

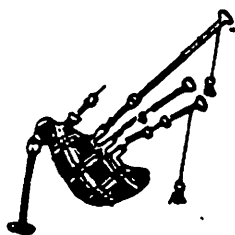
Clan Buchanan was the first tent that attendees encountered, which contributed to steady activity. With the help of Charlotte and Tal LeGrand and my husband, Jim, manning the tent, we signed up two new members: John Watson Dickie and his wife (of the House of Scotland) and Susan McCormack of Gatlinburg. Nine possible new members also registered, two of which are brothers and members of Rosie O'Grady's Band. Ten clan members stopped by the tent and also signed the roster.

The games for the day ended at 4p.m. and were followed with a rush to assemble at 5p.m. for the parade through downtown Gatlinburg. Tal LeGrand and Charles Ingram carried the Buchanan banner and flag of St. Andrew. Also representing Clan Buchanan in the parade were William R. Hard of Birmingham, AL, Charlotte LeGrand, Charles' nephew Chad, and your conveneer Carleen. The 1½ mile parade route was rather long, but only tired participants know how l-o-n-g. After the first mile, with "only" a ½ mile yet to go, the parade disbanded. The bands were the first to fade out!

Saturday evening was concluded by a Ceilidh and a formal Country Dance (for those who still had the energy).

Sunday morning began with the usual gray, overcast skies. Steady showers off and on (mostly on) during the day made conditions progressively worse. Most of the field events were cancelled except for the hurling of the haggis (sans barrel) and sheepdog demonstrations. Several clans were visably absent and only the diehards stayed for the remainder of the day. The Kirkin of the Tartan (the actual marching with clan banners) was cancelled. And the church service was held with Scotsmen huddled in dripping tents around the field. The impressive oratory of Dr. Robert Ferguson (Knoxville, TN) uplifted the somber crowd. Because of the miserable weather conditions, the public stayed away on the second day. After being blasted with wind and rain for the last time, your Clan Buchanan conveners abandoned the water logged tent by early afternoon.

Let's hope next year will be dryer!



Aye Yours,

Carleen and Jim Capps
Conveners

HOUSTON HIGHLAND GAMES

The Houston Highland Games took place, as scheduled, on May 20 and 21 in the aftermath of the most damaging storm since Hurricane "Carla" in 1942.

Despite the fact that the Houston area was under a "tornado alert" for most of the day; and more than 20,000 homes were still without electricity or telephones; and severe thunderstorms were predicted, a surprising number of Scots showed their natural disdain for the rain, and turned out for the 5th annual Houston Highland Games.

Clan Buchanan Society was represented by Southwest Convener and Society Vice President, Dr. Arren Buchanan and his wife Mona, and by Society President, George Buchanan and his wife, Jane.

Although some of the clans had set up tents, Dr. Buchanan opted to have the Clan Buchanan table set up in a covered walkway between rooms occupied by commercial vendors. This proved to be a sound decision indeed, for by midmorning, "the rains came" and the area where the tents were set up became a literal lake. Clan representatives abandoned their tents and took refuge indoors for most of the day. The piping and dancing competition also had to be moved inside in the St. Thomas School gymnasium. Athletic events had to be canceled entirely since the field was a quagmire.

The weather continued to be uncooperative for most of the day with thunderstorms, heavy rain intermittently, and strong gusty winds. Radio and television broadcasts were urging people to "stay at home" but the Scots were undaunted and by afternoon a very sizeable number of people had come to see what the Highland Games were all about.

Clan Buchanan Society is especially proud of the fact that the 1983 Houston Highland Games were dedicated to Mrs. Pauline Pearce Cusack, Founding President Emeritus of the Houston Highland Games Association, and an active member of our Society. Those who have attended the games at Grandfather Mountain, Stone Mountain, Alexandria (Virginia), and Salado (Texas) games will probably remember her there - and her talented son Mike, who has piped for many of our ceilidhs.

While many of the more than 15,000 spectators expected, and some of the participants were kept away by the storms, those who braved the elements enjoyed the dancing, piping, and the food and souvenir booths. The ceilidh, held in the Hilton Hotel on Saturday evening attracted a nice crowd who enjoyed a buffet and drinks and some fine exhibitions of piping and drumming and dancing by some of the day's contestants.

Twenty four hours later the weather cleared, the sun shone, and the day was beautiful. Too bad that it was just "a day late"!



Geo. Buchanan

NEW ENGLAND - Clan Buchanan Society in America

We Scots in New England are eagerly preparing for the Spring Planting.. and making plans for Summer Fun..especially noting the various Highland Games on our Calendars..as the Highlights of the summer season.

ACADIAN SCOTTISH GAMES -- Trenton, Maine..near Bar Harbor July 16 and 17th 9:30a.m. These games started by Major Thom White are noted for their great pipe bands.. especially the Black Watch of Canada. There are many stalls and activities, and Clan Tents are growing in participation.. Beautiful Bar Harbor very near. The Buchanan Tent will be supporting a new Tartan Flag and table covering in Ancient Buchanan (\$8.00 a yard -- polyester) New Maps and material.. and Clan items for sale. Do come by to register.

SAINT ANDREW'S SOCIETY OF MAINE - 5th Annual Scottish Games August 13 9:00a.m. at spectacular Thomas Pt. Beach, Brunswick, Maine on the coast.. space for campers-Free parking and program with tickets. We have 5 good Pipe Bands, headed by that winner, Northern Caledonian Borders Pipe Band- Ned Smith-Pipe Major...The athletics are especially good, at least 30 Clan Tents, Scottish Stalls, Scottish Foods - demonstrations on Kilt making, weaving by the 17th Century of the Holmes Family from Detroit, Maine. Sheep Dog Demonstrations, Country Dancing.

The night before, August 12th, Friday-we hold a dinner at New Meadows Inn for Board Members, Game Officials, and Clan Representatives - their friends and families-5-6 Cash Bar, 6-7 dinner (\$12) I'll save a table for Buchanans.. so let me know by August 5th if you wish to come. Entertainment by Ned Smith and some of his Pipe Band Members. New Meadows Inn is in West Bath - on the old Bath Road..just North of Cooks Corner - exit #24 off Route #1. I'll send you a map and flyer if you are interested in coming. The table will have a bouquet of Heather..and our Tartan, Ancient Buchanan - and Buchanan flag displayed at head table.

Do stop by the Buchanan Tent and sign the Guest Book - see our new material.. Let us help you with questions on Scotland and Buchanan Territory.. and possible trip to the Loch Lomond area..Balloch, Calmaha, Gartness, Gartocharn, Milngavie, Kippen, Inchmahome, Aberfoyle, Callander, Falls of Leny, Falls of Bracklin, etc..

SAINT ANDREW'S SOCIETY OF VERMONT - at Quechee, Vermont - August 27th opens 9:30a.m. The President in 1982 was Charles Edward Gibson, a Buchanan member, of Montpelier, Vermont, 05602 - do write him for information. The Games are held on a big Polo Field, near a quaint village approached by a covered bridge.. good shops. Scotland-by-the-Yard is a famous Scottish shop on Route 4. There is deep and beautiful Quechee Gorge, nearby good motels, also interesting Woodstock with Hanover and Dartmouth College not far. They have great Pipe Bands, and an interesting variety of events going on...Do stop by the Buchanan Tent to say hello.

LOON MOUNTAIN - Scottish Games - near Lincoln, N.H. September 17-18.
Very impressive scenery, fine mountain backdrop for Games, terrific Pipe Bands. These are the biggest games in N.E. With last years good weather they had 6000 - (usually we only have 3 to 4 thousand at other Games). There is a Clan Dinner the night before at the Lodge..and a Ceilidh Saturday Night..do contact the N.H. Conveners - Beryl and Ralph Graves, for information. Box 103 A RFD#1, No.Stratford, N.H. 03590. Ralph now has his beautiful Tartan Kilt..in the handsome subdued Buchanan Hunting Tartan. He will make a brave show for us in the Tartan Parade and Kirkin on Sunday. The Graves do invite all Buchanans to stop and sign the guest book, to say hello... and to meet at the Buchanan Tent at 5:30p.m. after the Games on Saturday.

INTERNATIONAL GATHERING OF THE CLANS 1983 - CLAN BUCHANAN - St. Ann's Cape Breton - at the Gaelic Mod, Closing Ceremonies August 15th.. P.O. Box 1983, Halifax, Nova Scotia B3J2R5 Canada for information - John M. Buchanan invites you as Premier of Nova Scotia!



Jean Armour Hunt, N.E. Convener
River Road, Box 45
Newcastle, Maine 04553

THE GENEALOGICAL CORNER

By Rowland S. Wilson

Pedigrees have been received from Bruce Arno McMorris of Omaha, Nebraska from James Francis McMorris, born 1853 at Coshocton City, Ohio.

Helen E. Timson of Newcastle, Maine from Mary Buchan (n-an) born 1796 in Scotland and died 1843 at South Gower Township, Ontario, Canada.

Kenneth S. Miller, Jr., of Rockville, Md. from William A. McCubbin born 1816 at Stranraer, Scotland.

A total of 34 pedigrees are now carefully stowed in the Archives.

Contribution has been received in the form of a book entitled "Wallace - Frierson and Allied Families" from Charles Hamilton Young of Kyle, Texas. He and Frances-Keith Wallace of Carlisle compiled the text. Association is with descendants of James Buchanan and his wife Jean (Sayers) Buchanan of Northumberland County, Pennsylvania as well as William Buchanan of county Tyrone, Ireland; 286 pages published by Mountain City Press of Kyle, Texas, 1982.

Queries

Data is sought concerning:

David Buchanan b 1797 KY, m 1825 OH, d 1874 OH; spouse was Mary/ Marie Dickensheets; by Mrs. C. Beard, 3711 Brandy Rack Way; Redwood City, CA 94061

Elizabeth Buchanan b 1777 place ? , m 179?, PA. d 1828 OH; spouse was Samuel Gilmore, by R.M. Harrison, 101 W. Windsor Road 1204, Urbana, IL. 61801

Jane Buchanan b ? m ? d 1857 Westmoreland County, PA; by Blair M. Stitt, 649 Iltania Street, Kailua, HI 96734.

John A. Buchanan arr U.S. 1842, lived and died 1889 Germantown, Philadelphia, PA; by John E. Buchanan, 34 Jefferson Avenue, Morristown, N.J. 07960.

If you have questions write to: Rowland S. Wilson, 3011 34th St. N.W. Washington, D.C. 20008.



CLAR INNES -- Calling All Buchanans

The FRIENDS OF LOCH LOMOND is a voluntary society whose members are dedicated to the protection and conservation of this world renowned area of outstanding beauty. The Society's aims are to cherish, protect and enhance the natural beauty and to save the character of Loch Lomond and its surroundings. The FLL was formed in 1978 in order to focus public attention on the threatened hydro-electric development at Craigroyston on the slopes of Ben Lomond. The FLL enjoys charitable status, it is non-profit making and its income is derived solely from members' subscriptions, donations and from fund-raising activities. The society's NEWSLETTER is published three times a year and sent free to all subscribing members.

The Hydro-Electric's Board's proposed development on the Eastern Shores of Loch Lomond (Buchanan territory) would mean at least ten years of environmental devastation during the construction phase together with the wholesale destruction of the wild natural beauty. It would result in the irredeemable loss of vast areas of the indigenous oakwoods and other natural habitat. The work camp and road would stretch from Gartocharn past Balmaha the hiking trails of Rowardenan to Ben Lomond..can you imagine the blasting, the trucks, the destruction? To say nothing of hurting the Tourist business so important to the area and the areas for city-weary families to camp and swim and go boating. If more electric power is needed they need only to enlarge the existing Loch Sloy...and not destroy for all time..yet another Scottish Loch in order to have a storage bank for nuclear power.

Your membership support is vital to enable the Society to continue its work. Please help us by becoming a member or by sending a donation. You will thus enable future generations of your family to be able to sing "On the Bonnie, Bonnie Banks of Loch Lomond" and knowing YOU cared enough to arrest the problems of destruction, litter and decay that faces Loch Lomond.

The FLL does not ask you to pick up the "Targe and Claymore" to the call of the fiery cross and CLAR INNES...but pick up your pen and join the FLL and let your donation and love of Scotlands natural beauty do the fighting.

aye yours...

Jean Armour Hunt (Life Member and
Council of FLL)

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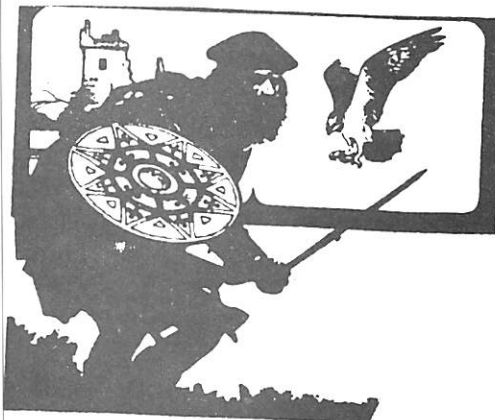
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Athens, Georgia 30606

Editors Note: Jean and Margaretta both work hard for Friends of Loch Lomond especially since seeing the problem involved during the cruise of our Clan Buchanan Group in 1981 and hearing the impassioned pleas of Hannah Stirling and Tom Weir. The MacGregors have responded generously..also the Galbraiths.. We urge the Buchanans to heed the call.....



CLAN BUCHANAN

Roughly one thousand years ago events took place that were to culminate in the establishment of Clan Buchanan. These were the Danish invasions of Britain in general and of Ireland in particular.

A young Ulster prince, Anselm Buey Okayan, having made himself more than usually non grata by his part in an not unhumourless ruse de guerre, passed over to Argyll to continue the war there. In this he appears to have distinguished himself and he was rewarded by King Malcolm II with the grant of lands in the Lennox in 1016. These were the lands of Buchanan.

That these lands were in the Lennox is quite logical. The ancient Celtic mormaers were sea stewards, in modern parlance coast admirals. The mormaers, letterly earls, of Lennox commanded the Firth of Clyde and the adjacent coast of Argyll wherein Anselm had served. Thus began a long, and continuing, tradition of service to the Crown.

In pre-industrial days economic, and military, power was based upon Land. The lands of the Buchanans latterly stretching from Loch Lomond in the west to the Pass of Leny in the east, straddled the Highland Line. They were fertile lands. They produced good crops of food, animals - and men. It was the boast of one Buchanan chief that within half an hour he could muster fifty heritors, lesser chiefs, and their followers at the Place of Buchanan. That was power. From the eleventh to the twentieth century troubles in Northern Ireland Buchanans have been present in a body or as individuals.

From such a long scroll of honour it would, perhaps, be invidious to draw attention to particular battles but you will like to know that Bannockburn, Flodden, Langside, and Pinkie are entered upon it. When Sir Alexander Buchanan fighting in the French service slew the Duke of Clarence at the Battle of Bauge in 1421 he gave us our Clan Crest.

In a humbler vein we find John Buchanan, mariner, in the crew list of the frigate "Glasgow" one of the two ships representing the last of the old Scots Navy.

Civil wars are without a doubt the most tragic of all wars. Civil wars not only divide communities, they divide families. In the ill-starred '45 another John Buchanan accompanied Prince Charles Edward in the light frigate "Le de Teilly" as his runner. In our more genteel times we would say aide de camp, ADC. The late Macnab of Macnab in a letter to the "Oban Times" said that an elderly aunt assured him that the last man to part from the prince was John Buchanan of Arnprior, presumably the same John Buchanan, and to whom he presented his sword. There was too in the list of Culloden prisoners in London Captain Alexander Buchanan, aged nineteen.

In the American Civil War the same tragedy was seen. In the historic engagement between the Confederate ironclad "Merrimac" and the Federal woodenwall "Cumberland" two Buchanan officers were present - one in each ship. On a happier note an Admiral Buchanan conducted a stout defense of Mobile.

If over the centuries Buchanans have proved doughty warriors in all three elements their devotion to things of the mind and spirit has been no less evident. Foremost was George Buchanan, Latin poet, humanist, historian. A controversial figure in his own time, and in ours, even his enemies conceded his genius. In Scotland there was but one person with whom he could engage in pleasant conversation about the classics, a young, charming well-educated woman - Mary Stuart.

Dugald Buchanan (1716-1768) the Gaelic poet was another. Soldiers of the early Highland Companies are said to have tramped many a weary mile to hear him speak on spiritual matters. Shops in Stornoway still sell his works

In law, medicine, and in the professions generally we are well represented. Science too has had its devotees. The famous Challenger Expedition of 1873 - 76 remains one of the greatest scientific expeditions ever. Scientists continue to mine information from the forty volumes of its report. We can take pride in the fact that yes, there was a Buchanan in the scientific team aboard HMS Challenger. Music lovers will perhaps agree that the human voice is the finest of all instruments. The youthful Isobel Buchanan has gained us international repute there.

Business and commerce have known us and in the Merchants House of Glasgow a wall tablet commemorates a 16th/17th century merchant of the Name.

We have not been without our "characters". John Buchanan of Kippen was one. The story goes that he encountered one day two men carrying off a deer towards Stirling. The outraged Buchanan had them relieved of their burden. In vain they protested that they were the King's huntsmen. "James Stuart", roared John, "may be King of Scotland, but John Buchanan is King of Kippen."

Now that particular King was James V. That evening, a man called at the house. The servant advised him that the Laird was at dinner and not to be disturbed. The man felt however, that the Laird would see him. "Who shall I announce" asked the servant tiredly. "Tell him," said the man, "that the King of Scotland has come to call upon the King of Kippen."

In some quarters today it is customary to dismiss the clan spirit as a harmless eccentricity. Not so. In modern society man is largely alienated from his background yet there is a growing awareness that man has an instinctive longing for continuity, for roots. Some manifestations of that longing are, frankly, bizarre. We Buchanans are singularly fortunate. Twenty two chiefs in direct succession lie buried in the islet of Clairinnis or Clairinch in Loch Lomond. The last was interred in 1681. Afterwards the lands of Buchanan were purchased by the Duke of Montrose.

That did not mean the end of the Clan. The essence of clanship is kin, real or pretended. The respect accorded a chief was based primarily on his position as Head of the Name. Among the mutual obligations he discharged was that of care for the old, the young, the unfortunate. When the last of the chiefs in direct succession was laid to rest in 1681 the modern world was aborning.

In March of 1725, the first Clan Society in Scotland was formed, The Buchanan Society. From its inception the object of the Society was to fill the role of the absent Chief. That is to provide for the support of the poor of the Clan and to assist their young in their schooling. In addition, it provided a rallying point around which clansmen could gather. In later years other clans followed the lead of the Buchanan Society and formed Clan Societies throughout the world.

Compiled by Ian Buchanan
for the Buchanan Society of Glasgow



Scottish clan excitement in Nova Scotia continues to mount as the International Gathering of the Clans approaches.

Building on the organization of Scottish families that followed the 1979 gathering in Nova Scotia -- the first ever held outside Scotland -- renewed interest has been shown the world over in identifying with traditional customs of the clans and the septs that make them up. A.Gordon Archibald of Halifax, for the second time chairman of the global event held in this province, expects the 35 clans that gathered in 1981 will be increased to near 70 during the period June 27 to August 20. This is about the same number of gatherings that occur on an annual basis in Scotland itself.

Apart from the excuse for Scots from far away countries to rally in Nova Scotia, the Gathering also provides a continuous pageant of colorful activities for the benefit of tourists who are not Scots, who are attracted to Nova Scotia by its hospitality and natural beauty.

This year, events of the International Gathering will take place in dozens of communities throughout the province, in towns and cities like Truro, New Glasgow, Sydney and Halifax, and in villages and hamlets like St. Croix, Hopewell, Mabou, Whycomagh, New Ross and Goshen.

And wherever Scots have gathered since they first left their homeland in the 17th century, there will be festivals of music and games. The Highland Fling, one of the best known of the Scottish dances (always performed in kilt) will be in competition. The tug o' war, hammer throwing, putting the shot and caber throwing -- all ancient rural sports -- will enliven athletic fields from one end of the province to the other.

The Rev. Donald R. Sutherland of Whycomagh, president of the Federation of Scottish Clans in Nova Scotia, points out that in addition to the expansion of events beyond the capital and larger centres, Gathering activities will also co-incide with festivals and events that are normally held in the summer. The Clan Dunbar will meet at the Festival of Tartans in New Glasgow; the Clan MacInnis will gather for the Fiddling Festival at St. Ann's, Cape Breton. Special events will be held on sites well identified with the history of the province -- at King's College in Halifax, at the Ross Farm in New Ross; at Iona's Highland Village.

The 1983 Gathering will open at Halifax Metro Centre on the opening evening of the spectacular Nova Scotia Tattoo. Since the Tattoo, under the direction of Col. Ian Fraser, made its appearance before Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother at the Gathering opening four years ago, it has become one of the finest productions of its kind in the world.

The Scottish summer will end officially at the Gaelic College -- a novelty even for Scots from the Highlands themselves -- at St. Ann's.

St. Ann's a picturesque community in Victoria County, was established as a French fort in 1629. The first settlers to the area, however, were Scots Sutherlandshire, who came to St. Ann's by way of Pictou. The first Presbyterian congregation in Cape Breton was established there. The community is now noted as the site of the only Gaelic College outside of the British Isles.

The program of events changes continually as the clans announce their gathering plans. Michele McKenzie, Executive Director of the Scottish Societies Association of Nova Scotia, has released the following update of the program across the province.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
June 27-30	<u>Grand Opening Ceremonies</u> In conjunction with the Nova Scotia Tattoo
June 29-July 3	<u>Mabou Ceilidh</u>
July 1	<u>Pugwash Gathering of the Clans</u>
July 3	<u>Liverpool Scottish Concert</u>
July 4-9	<u>North British Society Week</u>
July 4-10	<u>Truro's Scottish Festival</u>
July 8-9	<u>Baddeck Handcraft Festival</u>
July 8-10	<u>Festival of Scottish Fiddling</u> St. Ann's
July 9	<u>Festival of Piping</u>
July 13-17	Antigonish Highland Games *Community Activities Start July 9
July 15-16	<u>Judique On-The-Floor Days</u>
July 17	<u>Big Pond Scottish Concert</u>
July 26-31	<u>Festival of the Forts</u>

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
July 27-31	<u>Inverness Gathering</u>
July 30	<u>New Waterford Gaelic Society</u>
July 31	<u>Broad Cove Concert</u>
August 1-13	<u>Gaelic Society of Cape Breton</u>
August 5-7	<u>Chestico Days</u>
August 6	<u>Highland Village Days</u>
August 7-14	<u>Festival of the Tartans</u>
August 14	<u>St. Joseph-du-Moine Concert</u>
August 15-20	<u>Gaelic Mod</u> <u>Closing Ceremonies</u> <u>Gaelic College, St. Ann's</u>



You Are Cordially Invited to Join
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THE SCOTTISH HARP SOCIETY OF
AMERICA

Encouragement to study and play the ancient Celtic harp, the clarsach, is receiving help from a new organization. THE SCOTTISH HARP SOCIETY OF AMERICA, under the leadership of Christina Tourin. Mrs. Tourin has a deep and long familiarity with this instrument. She lectures on the subject, makes harps for sale, and concertizes. Entertainment by the harp is a welcome addition to a Scottish affair of any kind.

The little harp, the clarsach, is particularly suited to accompany the voice and is a convenient instrument for younger folks. Weighing about 15 pounds and only 40 inches high, the instrument is a delight to the eye as well as the ear.

A desirable objective of the SHSA is to bring the instrument and the traditional tunes to the attention of the Scottish community, which is still unaware of its place in history. Information about clarsach players near you, the availability of harps, and membership to the Society may be obtained from:

Christina Tourin
R.D. 2
Waterbury, Vt. 05676
(802) 244-8141

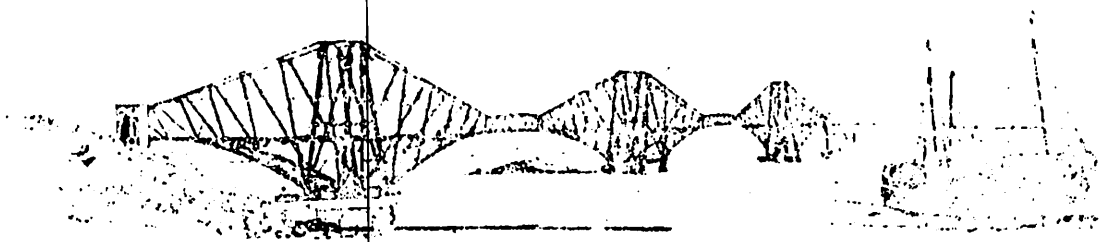


Pen Pal Needed

A young Mother of two children - June Brown - 24 years old.. writes from Fife asking for a pen-pal..she is very interested in America. Her Mothers father was James Coleman -- thus a sept of Buchanan Clan. Her husband Gordon Brown is from Clan Lamont. One of his ancestors helped found the St. Andrews Golf Club, and was the first professional to take the game to Argentina. Gordons family originated in St. Andrews, his father was born in the house at the harbour, now in the hands of the National Trust of Scotland. Gordon is 36 and a guard for British Rail. Junes children are: Gordon aged 3 and Margaret aged 4 months. Her hobbies are handicrafts, reading, excercising and finding out more about her national heritage and history, especially that of the Royal Families of G.B. June says she lives near Falkland Palace.

Hope some of you take time to write to June and tell her about yourself and your part of the USS.

Mrs. Gordon Brown
38 Cameron Park - Thornton
Kirkcaldy, Fife, Scotland



* AN APOLOGY *
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* Inadvertently, in the preceding issue of the "BANNER", in the biographi- *
* cal sketches of candidates for the various offices, Margretta Buchanan *
* Eagon was erroneously listed as "co-founder" of the Clan Buchanan Society. *
* Mrs. Eagon is considered to be the founder of the Society since she began *
* correspondence with Mrs. Agnes McCrae Morton of Grandfather Mountain in *
* 1963, and later with John Buchanan, Secretary of the Buchanan Society in *
* Scotland. In 1967 and 1968, Mrs. Eagon, "and a few others", attended the *
* Grandfather Mountain Highland Games. In 1969, for Buchanan men carried a *
* cloth of Buchanan tartan, provided by Lavon Watson, in the Parade of Tar- *
* tans for the first time. The Society was formally incorporated in Sep- *
* tember of 1974 and all those who were members at that time are considered *
* to be "Charter Members". *

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