

# The Macfie Clan Society of Australia

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The Clan Macfie

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MEMBERSHIP of The Macfie Clan Society of Australia is open, on application to the Society Executive, to all interested men and women who have surname spellings as listed below; are connected by marriage with, or descended from, or adopted by persons qualifying under this list; or are members of other Septs of the Clan as sanctioned by the Lord Lyon King of Arms.

<u>1st Syllable</u>	<u>2nd &amp; 3rd Syllables</u>	<u>Spelling of Names</u>
	Achopich	McAchopich (Black 1569)
	Affeith	M'affeith (Black 1512)
	Afee	McAfee, MacAfee (Black 1595)
	Afie	McAfie, MacAfie, McCaffie
	Aphie	McAphie (Black 1681)
	Caffrey	McCaffrey, McCafferty
	Coffee or Koffee	Makcoffee or McKoffee (Black 1506)
	Cuish or Cowis	MacCuish or MacCowis
	Diffie	McDiffie (Creeghan 1779)
	Doffy	Macdoffy (1296)
	Duffe, Duffy	McDuffie, MacDuffie, (Original), MacDuphie (Black 1703), Makduffie, Duffy (Grant 1200), Duffie, Duthie (Loder 1431)
Mac	Duffie	M'Duffe (1532)
	Dufacius	Dufacius (Loder 1592)
	Duphaci	Duphaci (Loder 1553)
<u>or</u>	Duffphie	McDuffphie (1615), Makduffie, M'Duffe (Grieve(1717)
Mc	Duffyhe	McDuffyhe, Mcduphe (Loder 1615)
	Dhubsithe	MacDhubsithe (1734, Registrar in Jura)
<u>or</u>	Dubside	Dubside (Black, Iona, 1164)
	Dufthi	MacDufthi (Black 1214) Duthie, Duffie
M'	Duphe	Mcduphe (Loder 1615)
	Feithe	McFeithe, Makfeithe (Black 1605)
<u>or</u>	Fie	McFie (Loder 1609), MacFie (Loder 1596, Bain)
Mhic	Feye	McFeye (Black 1585)
	Fee	Fee (part); Makfee (Loder 1555), McFee (Black 1541)
<u>or</u>	Goffin	Magoffin
Vich	Guffie	McGuffie, MacGuffie (Bain)
	Haffie	MacHaffie, Mahaffy (MacLysaght)
	Ilfie	McIlfie (Loder 1583)
	Iphie	McIphie (Black 1609)
	Phe, Phee	Phe, McPhe (Black 1531), Phee (Black 1545), Makphe (Loder 1531), McPhee (Loder 1592), MacPhee (1615).
	Phie	McPhie, MacPhie (Loder 1615), MacPhie (Loder 1652), Mac-a-Phi (Ancient)
	Pheir	McPheir (Registrar)
	Phietric	MacPhietric
	Phied	MacPhied



When a letter, postmarked R.A.A.F. Richmond, arrived in our mailbox some time late in 1973, little did we realise the far reaching consequences it would have. It was signed by a certain Flight Lieutenant Alex C. McPhee and was the beginning of a very interesting and satisfying six-plus years and of a friendship. Also, one of its most pleasing results has been the making of many other friends.

The existence of the Macfie Clan Society of Australia and the strength it enjoys is due, in large measure, to the enthusiasm and dedication of our president; now Wing Commander Alex McPhee (known to many as Sandy 'one') and his most charming wife, Helen. I could mention some other names, too, of those who 'rallied round' and helped - indeed, still are helping - to build a very successful Clan Society. I shall not list them here but THEY know to whom I refer. Thank you, one and all. It has been a pleasure and a privilege; I hope our friendships will continue.

Dr. Earle MacPhee, our World Seneschal, has set us an example in the collection of histories and the recording of the years since we last had a chief. In this message, I would ask every Macfie (whatever the spelling) to delve into the past and to bring out whatever can be discovered about our pioneering families, whose contribution to the development of this country should be permanently recorded. For instance; Who can tell us more about Archie McPhee, said to be 'the greatest prospector Australia ever had' and who found the 'Bobby Dazzler' nugget in the Pilbara? Where is the family of a certain Davey McPhee, who used the shaft of the dray as a desk when he wrote a cheque for £40,000? To guard the history is one of the duties of a seneschal, so I therefore appeal to everybody to help 'get it down on paper' before it is lost forever.

I shall do my best to further the aims, interests and objectives of our Clan; particularly in Australia. Of paramount importance world wide right now is, of course, the acquisition of a chief and it is hoped that next year we may be in a position to 'get the ball rolling'. Also, I hope that a goodly number of us will be able to make the trip to Scotland for our third international meeting and to meet many of our overseas clansfolk.

So that will be all for now. To end this item, my first as Seneschal, the best I can think of to say is:

Greetings to one and all.

Sandy McPhee  
Seneschal  
(Also known as Sandy 'two')



THE CLAN EXPANDS - AND - A CHIEFLY-LINE  
MIGHT HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED.

(President Alex McPhie)

The list of names on page 1 of this Newsbulletin comes from Dr Earle Douglas MacPhee's Clan History - The Mythology, Traditions and History of the MacDhubhsithe-MacDuffie Clan (Vol.1, Chap.1, Table 1) and is referred to in our Society Constitution when determining eligibility for membership (Paragraph 3(1)).

The list is now incomplete as recent advice from Clan Seneschal Dr MacPhee, indicates that a sound case has been made for Cathies or MacCatheys (and Curries) to be considered a Sept of Clan Macfie. This probably can not be completely resolved until we have a Chief proclaimed, but in the meantime, any by that name wishing to join our Society will be made most welcome with full membership rights.

George Black records the Cathies as originating in Galloway; some migrated to the Carolinas in the early days and now generally use the surname MacCathey. The initial approach to Dr MacPhee was by a Mrs Mary Gillies (nee Cathie) in Scotland where we also know Hamish Cathie is a principal of Travel Scotland the firm arranging our Scotland 81 tours. The McCatheys in America have joined their Scottish Cathie cousins in some numbers for next May/June and in addition to attending Clan Macfie functions in Edinburgh have taken over Colonsay in force for the first week of June.

During the past month or two a number of our members have had the privilege of attending Clan MacLennan functions honouring their new Chief, Ronald G. MacLennan of MacLennan, who has been visiting Australia with his lady, Dame Margaret. The MacLennans had been without a Chief since 1645 and painstaking and careful research was necessary to trace a Chiefly-line to the present day. This, of course, is the preferred method of establishing a successor to the Clan Chiefship, but appeared unlikely to be applicable to our search for a successor to Chief Malcolm who was murdered in 1623. However, this may not be so, for recent word from the Lyon Court in Edinburgh is that a researcher has claimed to have established a Chiefly-line to a family resident in Scotland to-day. Few details are available at this time, and indeed are unlikely to be available until the claim can be substantiated. What a wonderful occasion it will be for our Clan should this be true and a descendant comes forward willing to accept the responsibilities of the Chiefship. The Lyon Court is required to check all detail in the claim and this can be expected to take a number of years if the claim is to be validated.

Whether the claim for a Macfie Chiefly-line is successful or not, we must continue our work in support of these endeavours and to this end, I again appeal to you for expansion in our membership numbers. Use the list of names on the front page to establish contacts and recruit new members, not forgetting our new cousins the Cathies, MacCatheys and Curries, or the Duffys or Magoffins either, for they belong too.

If Society activities in your area are less than you would like, why not contact your State Vice-President and see if you can help - their names and addresses are listed on Page 9 - or better still, why not organize a function, ceilidh, get-together, or what have you yourself? The family names and common heritage will always extend across that imagined barrier generated by "not knowing one another".

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## 1981 The Year of the Scot

From Sheila Duffy in Auchterarder, Scotland, has come the following details of arrangements and tours for May/June 1981. Sheila is Clan Macfie co-ordinator for these activities.

The period Friday 22 May to Saturday 30 May will be spent in Edinburgh with a number of special Clan Macfie functions and programmed functions for all clans available to visitors. Accommodation can be arranged at a hotel or on a bed and breakfast basis with an Edinburgh family.

On Saturday 30 May Clan Macfie members will go by coach to Scone Palace and local areas. Accommodation and Ceilidh at Coll Earn Castle Hotel.

Sunday 31 May, lunch at Gleneagles Hotel, then arrangements have been completed with Travel Scotland for two tours to be available. They are -

Special Tour. To Oban on Sunday afternoon; free day in Oban on Monday, evening sailing to Colonsay, stay the night at Isle of Colonsay Hotel; Tuesday visit Oronsay and tour Colonsay; Wednesday and Thursday tour Colonsay; Friday 5th June by boat to Jura, thence to the mainland and coach along Loch Fyne and Loch Lomond to Drymen in the Trossachs, overnight at the Buchanan Arms Hotel. Saturday 6th June, tour terminates at Glasgow or Prestwick airports as required.

Extended Tour. By coach to Braemar and local area on afternoon of Sunday 31st May, stay Fife Arms Hotel; Monday visit Balmoral Castle, Glenlivet Whisky Distillery, Culloden Moor and stay overnight at Queensgate Hotel, Inverness; Tuesday by coach along Loch Ness en route for Skye, stay Royal Hotel, Portree; Wednesday on Skye for the day, back to Royal Hotel for the night; Thursday visit Sleat, Mallaig, Glenfinnan and Mull with overnight at Western Isles Hotel, Tobermory; Friday tour Mull, then to Oban for evening sailing to Colonsay; Saturday, Sunday and Monday on Colonsay, visit Oronsay, day trip to Iona and back available on the Saturday; accommodation at Hotel or with Colonsay families; Early morning departure from Colonsay on Tuesday 9th June to arrive Oban by 0830, tour terminates at Glasgow or Prestwick airports as required.

Further details can be obtained from Secretary, Helen McPhie. Pricing is not available as yet - we do not expect package tour costing.

Travel Scotland principal is Hamish Cathie - one of our newfound cousins - he may be able to arrange variations to the above itineraries if required. Miss Keerie MacPhee, Keeper of the Clan Macfie Records owns the Rowan Tree Hotel in Oban.

Please contact Secretary Helen if thinking of travelling.....



NSW Vice-President Bill Tyrrell reports.

We had determined not to traverse any of the roads and areas we had seen on our 1977 trip.

After staying in Yorkshire for some days we set off for Scotland. (By the way the Yorkshire McPhees tell me the Scottish Border is very conveniently adjusted to suit their particular requirements). Travelling by the A19 motorway we branched off north of Newcastle-on-Tyne and travelled along the coast to Edinburgh. Sad to say the sea mist rolled in and all we saw all the way was about 50 yards off the road. Settling in at the Braid Hills Hotel (can thoroughly recommend it) we undertook our family tree research at the City Registrar and the Commissary's office. We had some luck but it proved a long haul. Whilst there I was fortunate enough, at short notice, to gain an interview with Lord Elgin, spending a very pleasant hour or so. He is very busily engaged in planning for and organising 1981 Gathering of the Clans. We discussed that event and the one of 1977. He showed a lot of interest in our reactions to the previous one and offered to look into suggestions for the 1981 Gathering.

He further promised to set the necessary wheels in motion re the selection of a Chief for our Clan. He spoke of needing official advice to begin the search. Lord Elgin said that the Election of a Seneshal for the Clan showed excellent understanding of Protocol and History and he offered his congratulations. His comments were most complimentary.

After enjoying five days of Edinburgh (four days of rain) our path then led us across the Firth Bridge to Dumfermline and onto Highway A823 through Yetts of Muckart to Glen Eagles and Glen Devon. We were travelling parallel to rivers and streams and the autumn leaves of the trees lining the banks were a blaze of colour, as colourful as one would find anywhere on earth. Then past Gleneagles, mentioned in many Scottish song and on to Crieff. On the way beautiful undulating farmlands dotted with sheep and cattle of the Scottish type.

Lunchtime at Crieff and no shops open. We had difficulty in finding food, but the town with it's square, old market building in the centre, narrow streets and houses out of old picture books, was a delightful spot. We stopped to pat some Border Collies and Labradors in a utility and chatting to the owner we found she came from Melbourne some three years before. Married a farmer and lives just out of town. Her sister was with her and she had only arrived that day from Australia (small world). Leaving Crieff and travelling north, we passed through lovely scenic countryside and along the Strath Braan past fast running clear streams to Aberfeldy. Then the Glen Lyon to the A9 highway. This we followed to Lagan Bray and then beside Lake Luggan, following the Glen Spean to Spean Bridge. The lake and the Glen were delightful and my only regret was having to watch the road whilst driving.

Next stop was at Letter Finley Forsyth's Family Hotel on the banks of Loch Lochy. We stayed through the next day as it was a delightful hotel with the best shower of the whole of U.K.

We set off at 9.00 a.m. next morning bound for the Isle of Skye and after passing Invergarie the road climbed slowly up the hills and overlooking Loch Garrie. At the highest point and whilst Dorothy gathered heather at the roadside I stood mesmerised by the breathtaking view. The Loch was lower than normal with a white edge of rock around the water. Away to the left the sun climbed from behind a series of hills and picked out the long fingers of islands which stretched to the very base of the surrounding hills. The sheen

of the water in the morning and it's depth reflected everything around and away to the east. To complete the scene of utter beauty was an old humped bridge with three arches.

Over the bridge a cluster of deep green trees was evident with the inevitable old stone house nearby. This completed the whole scene. Such was the stunning beauty that I stood unbelieving. Dorothy had joined me as I watched and I groaned inwardly as I had no film for the camers. I later tried to buy a card of the scene without success. I know I have laboured this scene but I cannot hope to be so fortunate as to ever see such a sight again. Near Loch Cluanie we joined the main road after travelling through grazing properties with their picturesque sheep and cattle and then started the run by the Lochs Glen Shiel, Loch Duick and Loch Alsh, almost all the way to the Isle of Skye. Beautiful as they all were I am afraid I had had my fill of scenery for that day. At the Kyle of Lochalsh, a quaint old Scottish town on the sea, where a car ferry runs across the narrow straight, is the most expensive ferry in the world, \$2.80 each way for each car. We set foot on the Isle of Skye and then drove on, through, around, over every road we could see, completely circumnavigating the island. It's a strange island with many, many mountains jutting up and out of undulating country. Sheer mountains of rock in the most awesome shapes. Those we drove close to were quite impassable. At the northernmost point of Skye one felt, on looking north to islands through the mist, one only had to stretch an arm out to touch the North Pole. After driving for a while we stayed at the lovely Skibost Hotel set at the end of a beautiful cove into which ran a very rugged stream, fast and clear. It was located about the centre of Skye. The following day we sought information of any Macfies and as Dorothy had worn her clan skirt the previous evening our inquiries were well accepted.

Being Sunday we were seriously advised by mine host to avoid the Macfies, as after church, the men went off to the local pub and the ladies took the kids home and were much too cranky to ever talk to strangers. The roads in places reminded us of Australia, when you pass a car it's two wheels on the bitumen and two off, but quaint villages out of yesterday and untouched by time, except some difficulty in handling the modern cars.

Having seen the whole island we travelled to the not yet traversed Ferry, only to find that, like Australia, they too seem to run to suit themselves. As we had travelled to the island by the low road we decided to return by the high road.

Our return trip was up through the mountains through places such as Stoneferry via Achentree, Loch Carron, Glen Curran, Strath Bran, through Marybank, Muir of Ord, Drummadrochit, Fort Augustus and finally to Letter Finlay. Our return trip to England and Wales, to Fort William, where we spent quite a few hours, past massive Ben Nevis, Loch Linnhe to Glencoe. Here we decided to travel inland past Loch Rannock and the Coolins, both mentioned in The Road to the Isles, Glencoe. The Bridge of Orchy to Crianberich, then by the Glen Dochart Strathyre to Callander and on to the M80. Having been previously in the Glasgow area we pressed on right down to Moffat, where I was able to buy the first McPhie bow tie I had found in all Scotland.

I have not extolled the virtues of all the places we saw which you must know have beauty all of their own, but scenic beauty is part of all Scotland.

We must admit having been so fortunate as to see so much of Scotland on two occasions, we can only say we must go again to look some more.

(Sorry for any mistakes in place names Bill - after (hopefully) Sandy and I visit Scotland next year I won't find the spellings so strange. Helen)



CLAN MACFIE SOCIETY IN NEW ZEALAND

Combined efforts by Belle Brew of Papakura, New Zealand and Sandy and Norah McPhee and Shirley Kendall of Sydney have led to the formation of a Clan Macfie Society in New Zealand.

At time of writing in early July Belle reported an inaugural group of 16 with 9 more pending and plans for spreading the word with personal contact in Auckland, Wellington and Palmerston North, plus a mailing list of 172 names and addresses from telephone directories all about to be 'written-to'. Too, Belle has been notified of addresses for our five members in New Zealand.

Australian Seneschal Sandy McPhee who doubles as a QANTAS pilot, had spare time on a recent trip to New Zealand and utilized it by writing to the Editor of a local newspaper or two asking for 'Macfie' contacts interested in rallying the Clan in the Shaky Isles. With help from Norah and Shirley Kendall who was in New Zealand for several months, over a hundred leaflets were mailed to back-up the Letters to The Editor(s) and some firm contacts have resulted. All this information has been transferred to Belle and by next Newsbulletin we expect to report the formalities complete in establishing a Clan Society in New Zealand of Clan Macfie.

Belle Brew's address is :

Mrs Isabelle Brew,  
8 View Road,  
Papakura, Auckland. N.Z..

Please pass it along to any family member or acquaintance who may be interested.

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THE MHC-A-PHI STANDING STONE FUND

At the Third Biennial General Meeting in Adelaide in January this year a motion was carried requesting our President to discuss with the Clan Seneschal the significance of listing individual names of donors to the Mhic-a-Phi Standing Stone Fund and, if necessary, to request our Executive to rescind Motion 6B of General Business of the Executive Meeting on 16th April 1978 whereby it was determined 'That donations (to the Mhic-a-Phi Standing Stone Fund) be forwarded annotated "Donated collectively and individually by the (total number) members of The Macfie Clan Society of Australia." '.

The case advanced by Clan Seneschal Dr Earle MacPhee was put to the Executive and, as a result, the earlier motion has been rescinded and a list of names and addresses of donors to the Standing Stone Fund will be published in the next Newsbulletin and forwarded to the Keeper of The Clan Records. Amounts donated will not be recorded. The decision to rescind the earlier motion was not unanimous.

The immediate financial demands of the Mhic-a-Phi Standing Stone Project have been covered by donations from members of the various Societies of our Clan. However, as some members may still wish to contribute, further donations of any amount will always be welcome and should be forwarded direct to Society Secretary, Helen McPhie at 6 Keats Place, Melba ACT 2615.

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## RETIREMENT OF FOUNDATION MEMBERS

Two of the Society's foundation members retire in August after years of service in their chosen professions -

H.E.V. "Ted" Smythe (N74-064) retires after 38 years service with the Education Department of New South Wales where he followed the footsteps of his mother, Kathleen Clytie MacPhee, his grandfather, Alexander Duncan MacPhee and his great-grandfather Alexander Robert MacPhee, the latter of whom entered the Department's service from the old National Schools System before retiring to the (relatively) calmer life of landowner and grazier.

Ted's father, Edward Vivian (Bill or Wally) Smythe served as a field officer in Egypt and France in World War I and in Australia and New Guinea in World War II, being three times decorated for gallantry. Like Clan Seneschal in Australia, A.L. (Sandy) McPhee, Ted Smythe is also a great-great-grandson of Captain Donald MacPhee, 79th Regiment, Cameron Highlanders, who was decorated for bravery at Waterloo and who settled in Australia in 1844. Perhaps it was fate that brought Ted into contact with the Cameron Pipe Band of Broken Hill in 1974 when he officiated during their achievement of a world record for marathon piping.

Ted was educated in various country schools in NSW and then at Fort Street Boys' High School and Sydney University where he gained a University Blue in boxing and some lesser academic honours. He served in the University Regiment, the 2/33rd Infantry Battalion A.I.F. and "M" Special Unit during World War II in Australia and the Pacific Islands. In 1945 he met and married Judith McCay of Perth who was a member of the Australian Women's Army Service and of impeccable Scots descent.

On demobilisation Ted began a career in the NSW Department of Education which brought him into contact with the problems of "New Australians" learning English during the heyday of the Snowy Mountains Scheme in Cooma; with the pleasures and politics of small country towns; with the expansionist policies of Canberra in the sixties; with the peculiar pride of mining communities such as Broken Hill; and finally, with the developmental problems of a Lachlan Macquarie town, Campbelltown, near Sydney in the last years of the 1970s. Like his grandfather, Alexander Duncan MacPhee, Ted has had a wide educational and social experience over most of South Eastern Australia, particularly in the development of new High Schools. He has been prominent in professional and community service endeavours, as President of Rotary Clubs in Canberra and Broken Hill and as a lecturer and organiser at Principals' Conferences in NSW, Victoria and South Australia. He retires as Principal of Leumeah High School, Campbelltown, which he opened three years ago.

Ted and Judith have two daughters and two sons, Susan, Margaret, James and Alexander, active in medicine, social service, industrial law and the arts respectively; and will be gathering with the Clans in Scotland in 1981 to begin what they hope will be a long and fruitful retirement, leaving the next generation to bear onward the Caledonian Fire.

The second retiree is Sandy McPhee (N74-012) of Pennant Hills, NSW, our Clan Seneschal in Australia and former Society Vice-President. Sandy needs no introduction, and indeed our previous Newsbulletin carried a report on his doings over the years. During August, Sandy will be hanging up his wings or shelving his log book - or whatever a QANTAS pilot does - and after over 20,000 hours in the air he, and Norah have their eyes on a quiet spot on the lakes north of Newcastle.



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MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS

Accounts for overdue 1980 subscriptions are attached. Please give them your prompt attention.

With some regret, the Executive has decided that membership subscriptions must be increased to \$4.00 per member from 1981. Printing and postage increases have made this action necessary as the present subscription does little more than cover these costs. Our liquidity at the end of this year may well depend on the very generous and welcome donations we have received for the general account from a number of members. Clearly we cannot base our budget on these continuing each year.

As a concession to families with a number of members residing at the one address, The Executive has agreed to the introduction of a family membership subscription rate from the beginning of next year. This rate will be equal to twice the normal membership subscription rate irrespective of the number of members resident at the one address.

When we amended our constitution earlier this year to waive subscriptions for members over the age of 75 years no allowance was made for determining members' ages...Secretary Helen has no record of birth dates except for under 18 year olds. Therefore, accounts have been forwarded and payment expected for all members until we are notified that a member is over 75 years. Please do not hesitate to notify the Secretary if you wish this concession to apply to your subscription. Some over 75 members have chosen to continue to pay subscriptions and we are certainly grateful for this assistance.

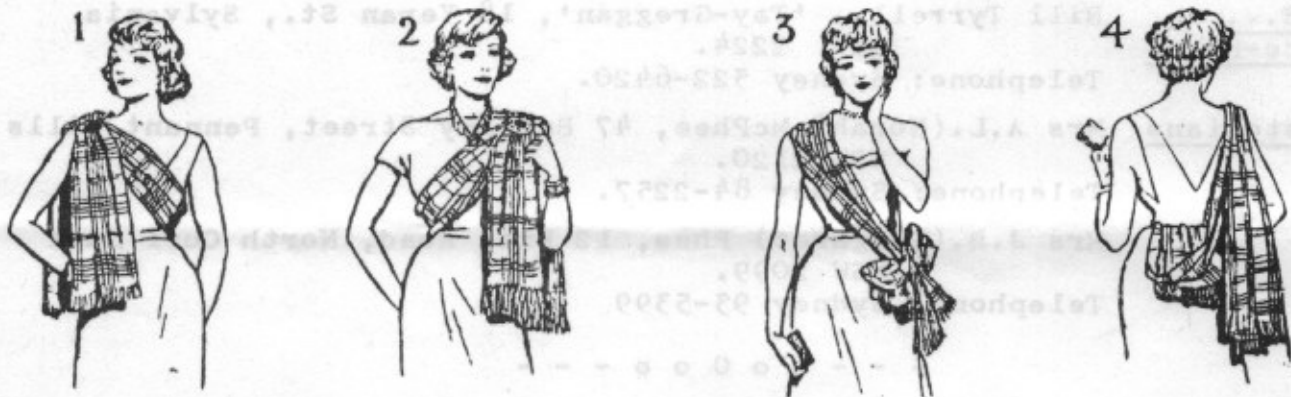
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Last Newsbulletin reported a McPhee family gathering at the Norman Lindsay Gallery at Springwood at Easter time and sought contacts with that family. Contact has been made and some members have joined our Society. Mr Harry McPhee is the curator at the Lindsay Gallery. The family have lived in the Springwood N.S.W. area since 1911.

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## WEARING OF SASHES BY LADIES IN EVENING DRESS.

The manner of wearing tartan sashes or light scarves had customary significance even two centuries ago, and whilst the wearing of sashes in any particular manner has so far no legal significance, a due respect for tradition suggests that uniform practice, and implication consistent with custom, is desirable. The different methods undermentioned to wearing such are appropriate for ladies in different circumstances. All these suggestions are based upon a careful study of old portraits, prints and traditional practice, and bear the authoritative approval of the Lord Lyon King of Arms.



- No 1. Style worn by clans-women. The sash is worn over the right shoulder across the breast and is secured by a pin or small brooch on the right shoulder.
- No 2. Style worn by Chieftainesses, wives of Clan Chiefs and wives of the Colonels of Scottish Regiments. The sash which may be rather fuller in size is worn over the left shoulder and secured with a brooch on the left shoulder.
- No 3. Style worn by ladies who have married out of their Clan, but who still wish to use their original clan tartan. The sash usually longer than No 1. style is worn over the right shoulder secured there with a pin and fastened in a large bow on the left hip.
- No 4. Style worn by country dancers or where any lady desires to keep the front of the dress clear of the sash (as, for example, when wearing the ribband of a chivalric order, or any orders and decorations). This style is similar to the belted plaid, and is really a small arisaid. It is buttoned on at the back of the waist, or is held by a small belt, and is secured at the right shoulder by a pin or small brooch, so that the ends fall backwards from the right shoulder and swing at the back of the right arm.

Acknowledgement to :

The Scottish Tartans Society  
Museum of Scottish Tartans  
Comrie Perthshire Scotland.



VALE

With deep sorrow we report the death of Stan McFee (V75-093) of Phillip Island, Vic. on 20th June, aged 88. Stan and his family have been strong supporters of the Society from its early days; he will be sadly missed. Stan had farmed on Phillip Island practically all his life; he was a Shire Councillor for 19 years and chairman for 3; a member of the Butter Factory Board; prominent in local Historical Society circles; and involved in community work throughout his life time. McFee's Road near Rhyll on Phillip Island was named in Stan's honour.

Stan's daughter, Cherry, describes him so well as " a wonderful person who lived life to the full, had such a bright outlook and loved people."

Our sincere sympathy has been extended to Cherry and other members of Stan's family.

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SOCIAL NOTES

Society members have been in contact with Chief Ronald MacLennan of MacLennan during his visit to Australia to meet Clan members.

In Sydney a Macfie party 20 strong attended the MacLennan Grand Ball on 12th July. In addition to a strong contingent of Sydney-siders led by Seneschal Sandy McPhee and N.S.W.Vice President Bill Tyrrell, Society President Alex and Secretary Helen attended from Canberra and Lorraine McPhee (Q77-287) from Toowoomba. Lyndsay Armstrong (N74-004) of Marrackville NSW represented her father Victor McPhee Esq., of Dalby Q., our first armigerous member in Australia. And a good night was evidently had by all - it wasnt the MacLennans who were about the last to leave - Lyndsay and Bruce Armstrong left for Surfers' Paradise shortly afterwards (to recover??) - and another member was heard to say about 2:30am "I really must go, the car park closes at midnight."

President Alex, Secretary Helen, Treasurer Neil McPhee and wife Jill attended a MacLennan cocktail party in Canberra, while Society Piper Donald MacPhee and pipers James (V76-170) and Iain (V76-171) of Dallas Vic. joined a massed pipe band welcome to Chief Ronald when he opened the Pipe Band Association's Rooms at Box Hill, Melbourne. In Toowoomba, Hector McPhee Esq., (Q74-002) and wife Nellie (Q74-029), whose mother was a MacLennan, joined local MacLennans in greeting their Chief in that city.

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New South Wales Vice President Bill and Dorothy Tyrrell played host to some 40 or so Society members at a barbeque at their home in Sylvania on 8th June - a sunny day, lots of good company, good food and interesting talk - a most enjoyable time for all.

Bill is planning a Haggis night in November.....

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Good news from Neil (V74-017) and Sylvia McPhee of Red Hill South Vic., a second grand-daughter has arrived - Josephine Louise McPhee Wright, born 2nd June and doing well, thank you.

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GENERAL NOTES

- \* Past Vice-President in Victoria, Bruce (V75-096) and Betty (V78-397) McPhee of Forest Hill, Victoria, report attending the Highland Gathering in Geelong and Melbourne Burns Society Dinner earlier this year.
- \* Don McPhie (V75-103) of Warragul, Victoria, has had wife Pat as far afield as New Zealand buying new stock to build up their Colonsay Jersey Stud. They had over 90 cows in milk through the drought during the first half of the year, so no wonder Don couldn't get away to New Zealand as well.
- \* Our wandering rock tapper, Keith McPhee (R77-328) of Bell, Queensland, was in Canada last October. On leaving his hotel in Calgary for dinner with friends he noticed a lass in a long skirt of Macfie tartan, but running late he didn't stop to introduce himself. On checking out next morning he found to his disappointment, there had been a Clan Macfie dinner in Calgary the night before.
- \* Is that a Macfie tartan bow tie Mork wears sometimes?
- \* Dr. Peter McPhie (V75-127) of Surrey Hills, Victoria, has moved to Wellington, New Zealand, where he is senior lecturer in History at Victoria University.
- \* Kay McPhee (V74-006) of Black Rock, Victoria, writes - "I am still working on propagation of native plants at the Sandringham Council Plant Nursery, and on replanting of Council reserves and foreshores - even rising with the Magpie Lark on Sundays to take part in a study of bird-life on the foreshore, aimed at determining whether replanting brings the native birds back. Winter naturally is not the best time - a few blue wrens and silvereyes, a bush wren or two, wattle birds, a familiar goshawk and the inevitable starlings and blackbirds. Met a dingo last time - being taken for a run by his owner - a lovely animal (an 'alpine' dingo) and so gentle and affectionate. But the birds have more sense than the humans; they stay tucked away in their nests, or else take off for the warmth of Queensland."
- \* Alex (Q74-076) and Anne McWilliam of Surfers Paradise were in Canberra mid-year when Alex delivered a paper on Gold Coast Development at the Royal Australian Planning Institute Congress. Perhaps we'll have bikini clad Meter Maids in the National Capital now - even in winter too!
- \* Fiona MacPhee (V76-173) of Dallas, Victoria, has commenced her nursing training at Prince Henry's Hospital in Melbourne.
- \* Scot McPhie (Q76-164) of Melba, A.C.T. was a member of the school cricket team which won the 1979-80 A.C.T. Under 13 Premiership.
- \* Treasurer, Neil McPhie (N74-071) of Macgregor, A.C.T. will soon be up to playing the pipes in public - won't you Neil?

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NEW MEMBERS

V80-478	Robert Gilbert McPhee	34 Kent Road	Box Hill	Vic 3128
A80-479	John Alastair MacPhee	36 Kavel Street	Torrens	ACT 2607
N80-480	Mrs Shirley Kendall	c/- 47 Bellamy St	Pennant Hills	NSW 2120
N80-481	Mrs Florence Fitzpatrick	32 Plateau Rd	Springwood	NSW 2777
V80-482	Mrs Eumpemia Scales	3 Tudor Street	Burwood	Vic 3125

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