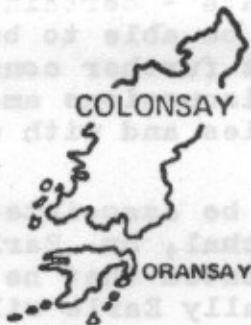


The Macfie Clan Society of Australia

(Founded in Richmond NSW on 3rd May 1974)

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Ancestral Home of
The Clan Macfie

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Newsbulletin

No 29

FEB 81

Society Secretary: Mrs Helen McPhie
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58-3192 (Evenings)

(Alex. McPhie)
President

From Your President

1981!..... And a Happy New Year to all - even if a month or two late. This is our eighth year of operation; a fair reply to those who claimed the Society wouldn't last! Membership and financial positions at the end of 1980 were sound but can still be improved with greater member involvement in our activities. What about a conscious effort for this during the year to culminate with our best ever Biennial General Meeting in Canberra on the Australia Day weekend in January 1982?

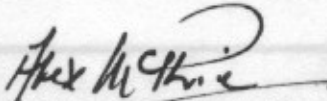
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A note of sorrow will be associated with Edinburgh, however, for our leader, Clan Seneschal, Dr. Earle Douglas MacPhee of Vancouver Canada, has indicated that he will not be available for re-appointment. Naturally Earle will continue with involvement in Clan affairs for no man can have a vision and a goal such as Earle has in dedicating the major part of his work over the past decade to reactivating his 'broken' Clan, and then cast all aside with an arbitrary date for retirement from such activities. His loss from the active leadership role will be sorely felt, irrespective of the calibre of the undoubtedly capable person appointed to carry on in this position.

Apart from the mammoth work of contacting Clan members throughout the world and encouraging the formation of Clan Societies in all areas of major activity of Clan Macfie as he guided the building of the Clan Macfie infrastructure to to-days levels, Earle researched and wrote a definitive history of our Clan. Some volumes of this history, and copies of Earle's autobiography, are available for purchase through our Secretary - details are in this Newsbulletin.

In thanking Earle for his dedication, leadership and untiring efforts on behalf of all Clan members, we also recognize the support and loyalty of Earle's dear lady, Jennie. In latter years, as Earle's eyesight has failed, Jennie has personally attended to the writing of much of the voluminous correspondence from Earle's office.

To Earle and Jennie, on behalf of all Clan Society and Clan members in Australia, I say thank you, thank you so very sincerely for so very much.


(Alex. McPhie)
President



1981

The Year of the Scot

Programme details, including costing, have been included in earlier Newsbulletins. Members intending to travel should have made initial arrangements by now with Hamish Cathie of Travel Scotland in Edinburgh or Clan Co-ordinator Sheila Duffy in Auchterarder. Any definite or potential travellers who have not been in touch with Society Secretary, Helen McPhie, in Canberra re their trip should make contact urgently as Helen distributes current information on receipt. Remember the key dates are 22nd May to 9th June, 1981 - first in Edinburgh then touring Scotland to wind-up in Colonsay.

Mine Host, Kevin Byrne, of the Isle of Colonsay Hotel (see detachable back page) writes:

"Anybody visiting Colonsay, at any time of year, should be prepared for certainly some breezy days - a nylon wind-cheater is very useful and will take no room in the luggage, also some form of woollen or other hat. It sounds bizarre, but one loses a lot of body heat through the head and there is no point in being needlessly uncomfortable. Waterproof footwear is important - usually gumboots! e.g. to visit Oransay, even though the strand dries out at low tide there will still be 4 or 5 inches of water in some places; to reach any interesting monument one will have to walk through heather etc., at calf height, which may be damp, insect covered etc! To complete the rig, one needs a pullover and trousers in non-manmade materials, which can be cool on a hot day and very snug otherwise. The weather here is drier than on any other island, but clansmen with only two days to spare have no guarantee that it will not rain then! In the winter, be prepared to wear two pullovers.....again, it is not the cold but the wind one has to allow for."

The above advice is supported by Historian Norah McPhee who has made several visits to Colonsay. Norah even suggests mailing pullovers and boots ahead if you have someone who can receive posted parcels and hold for your arrival - this will save any hassles re overweight and heavy-to-carry suitcases. Too, "...evening things are better in a Viyella sort of thing - light but warm, especially on the arms and so on....".

HISTORICAL NOTES.

In Newsbulletin No 28 we included an article on The MacPhees in Glendessary from John Stewart's History of Clan Cameron.

We now bring a more definitive account of The MacPhees in Glendessary in the following extract from the late Rev. Somerled McMillan's "Bygone Lochaber" which contains some excellent historical reference to the McMillans, Kennedys, Camerons, McIntyres, Mackenzies and McLaughlins as well as MacPhees.

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The MacPhees of Glendessary held the lands of Glenpean prior to the forfeiture of the Lordship of the Isles. They are an offshoot of the Colonsay family, and their name, sometimes spelt MacFie or MacFee, was formerly MacDufee, which is much nearer the old Gaelic form - MacDuibhshithe, 'son of the black one of peace'. They are of ecclesiastical stock and are descended from Murdoch, son of Ferchar, son of Cormac, first diocesan bishop of Dunkeld. The clan derives its name from Duffy (Dubhshithe), third in descent from Murdoch.

We have good reason to believe that the early ancestors of the MacPhees were at one time in Easter Ross, and, no doubt, the progenitor of the Colonsay family came from that area when he received his appointment as Chaplain of Oransay from the Lord of the Isles. Latterly, the office of hereditary keeper of the Records of the Lordship of the Isles was held by the Colonsay family.

Angus MacPhee of Glenpean fought under the banner of Sir Donald Balloch of Dunnivaig against the King's forces at Inverlochy in 1431. Two of his daughters made excellent marriages. One of them became the second wife of Alexander, 3rd Lord of the Isles and was the mother of Celestine of Lochalsh; the other daughter became the wife of Angus MacDonell, 2nd of Keppoch. Angus MacPhee and his sons became sibservient to the chief of Clan Chattan after 1466, when Duncan MacKintosh and his heirs received a grant of their lands from the Lord of the Isles. This grant was confirmed by King James IV, in 1499. After 1466 the MacPhees were settled in Glendessary where they held their lands in sword-service to the MacKintoshes until 1665.

Generally speaking, clan historians err when they rashly assert that the MacPhees only came into Lochaber from Colonsay during the 17th century, after Malcolm, their chief, was slain c. 1623, and his island had become the property of Coll Kitto MacDonald. As a matter of fact, the MacPhees were close on two hundred years in Lochaber by that date.

There were three main offshoots of the Glendessary family - those in Achnasaul, Muick, and Sallachan. They all can be traced back to a common ancestor. There is nothing extant on record of the names of Angus MacDufee's sons or grandsons, but the names of three of his great-grandsons are recorded - Duncan, Angus, and Ewan. The third of this line was the immediate progenitor of the families of Achnasaul, Muick, and Sallachan, and when the main line of the Glendessary family terminated sometime before 1678, the chiefship of the Lochaber MacPhees was vested in the eldest son of the Achnasaul family.

In the 1642 rental for Glendessary two MacPhees are entered as tenants and their patronymics are given thus: "Duncan vic Ewan vic Conchie (Duncan, of a son of Ewan, son of Duncan) for the 2 penny lands of Glendessarie;" "Duncan vic Ewan vic Aonas (Duncan, of a son of Ewan, son of Angus) in Glendessarie." In the same rental we

find the names of the three brothers for Achnasaul, Muick, and Sallachan; they are "Ian vic Conchie vic Ewan (John of a son of Duncan, son of Ewan) for the 2 penny lands of Achnasaul and for the penny land of Sallachan;" "Duncan vic Conchie vic Ewan" (Duncan, of a son of Duncan, son of Ewan) is mentioned as being possessor of the same lands, but as he is the immediate progenitor of the Sallachan branch it is likely he tenanted that part; "Ewan Oig vic Conchie vic Ewan (Young Ewan, of a son of Duncan, son of Ewan) for the penny land of Muick and Ark."

John, whose surname is given erroneously as "John Cameron, alias McPhee", is described as Wadsetter of Glendessary in 1717. At that time the Lochiel Estates were forfeited and the rents were claimed by the Duke of Argyll "as in right, under the late Act for the encouragement of the Superiors," etc. The rent for Glendessary at that date was as follows: "140 merks of super plus duty, 1 gallon of butter, 4 dozen of cheese, 2 sheep, 2 lambs, 2 veals, 2 kids, with another quart of butter and 1 dozen cheeses and 2 merks Scots as a proportional part of the feu duties payable by him to the said Duke as superior of the said lands conform to his wadset right thereof." In the Lochiel Rentals for 1718 we find the following entries: "6. John Cameron alias McFie of Glendeshery has Woddset upon the said lands for 3000 mks & payes Superplus in haill is £16/2/2³." "9. John Cameron of Glendeshery, that the lands of Mock (Muick), Sallachan, Crieve (Crieff) & Auchnasaul are Woddsetted by Donald Cameron, son to Lochzeill and payes overplus rent £3. 6. 8." John had, at least, two sons - Ewen and John. Little is known about them beyond the fact that they sustained considerable losses at the hands of Cumberland's forces after Culloden. In the Lochiel Rentals for 1788 we find that there were ten MacPhees in Glendessary, but most of them were evicted in 1804 at the time of the Lochaber clearances. That year three MacPhee brothers at Coull farm, Glendessary, bought it and the other quarter of Glendessary for £610, when certain parts of Lochiel's estates were up for sale. Those brothers, were probably the grandsons of John, Wadsetter of Glendessary in 1717. In old Kilmallie Churchyard there is a conspicuous tomb near the ruins of the old Church which is inscribed as follows:- "Alexander MacPhee, Late tenant at Coull in Glendessary, died 20th May, 1836, Aged 66." Nothing further is known about the MacPhee brothers at Coull, Glendessary.

The second son of John MacPhee in Achnasaul succeeded his father to the tenancy of that farm. He too, was called John, who also had a son of the same Christian name who was tenant in Achnasaul during the '45, but by 1750 he had removed to Banavie. He was probably the progenitor of the MacPhees in Camaghael.

Ewen Og MacPhee, who was possessor of Muick and Ark in 1642, had a son named Donald Ban, and he in turn had two sons - John, who succeeded him at Muick and Ark, and Ewen, who was tenant at Coilleross. In the Lochiel Rentals for 1717 the tenant in Muick is given as "John mac Coil van (John, son of fair-haired Donald) alias McPhee." The rental that year was as follows: "45 merks Scots money Silver rent, 1 stone cheese, 1 quart butter, 1 sheep, 1 veal and 1 fodd Redd of presents for Muick." John had a son Donald whose name appears with four others in the rental of Murlaggan for 1755. The last we learn of this family is that John, grandson of the tenant in 1717, was miller of Arkavie during 1777.

Duncan MacPhee, who was possessor of Sallachan in 1642,

had two sons - John and Duncan. John was the progenitor of the Crieff family, and his younger brother Duncan carried forward the Sallachan line. John's grandson, who bore the same Christian name, was possessor of the 1½ merk land of Crieff in 1755, and the latter's son John succeeded him as tenant by 1788. Duncan, junior, had a son called Duncan and the latter had three sons - John, Angus, and Ewen, whose names appear with others for losses sustained at the hands of the Hanoverian forces after Culloden. Those MacPhees in Achnasaul, Muick, and Sallachan, used to send their cattle to graze in Coire-nan-Gall, Coire Reidh, and Coire Buidhe, during the summer months, and Monaquoich was generally let to them before the forfeiture of Lochiel's estates in 1746.

In 1750, there was a tenant in Glenmallie called Angus MacPhee, also a Changekeeper or Innkeeper in Erracht called Ewen MacPhee during that same year.

The MacPhees were out in force under Lochiel during the '45 and they fought bravely at Culloden where many fell, only after they had broken through the third line of Cumberland's well-equipped army.

After Culloden a few of the MacPhees were forced to resort to cattle stealing in order to exist. Two of them, at least, with Myles and John Donn MacMillan, formed marauding bands in 1755.

Ewen Ban MacPhee (Eoghann Ban a Coire Buidhe), a notorious outlaw from Corriebuie, probable the last of his kind in Scotland, established himself and his family on an islet in Loch Quoich, now known as "Eilean Mhic-a-Phi" (MacPhee's Island), where he neither recognised law nor landowner. John Cameron of Corriechoillie was largely responsible for MacPhee's arrest, because the latter is said to have helped himself freely to some of Cameron's sheep. Several attempts were made to apprehend him but he defended his "stronghold" with the use of firearms. His wife is said to have been as proficient in their use as her husband. Eventually he was arrested by armed officers and sent to prison.

There are still a few MacPhees living in Fort William where their forebears settled at an early period. Some of the first settlers were feuars. Donald MacPhee, Feuair, Fort William, had by his wife, Isabella MacPhee, the following issue - Sarah, born 12th June, 1784; Alexander, born 18th April, 1786; Donald, born 10th August, 1788; John, born 2nd May, 1790; Ann, born 28th August, 1792; Margaret, born 12th September, 1794; Robert, born 8th May, 1797; Ewen, born 6th June, 1799; Duncan, born 2nd November, 1802; Alexander, born 20th April, 1805; William, born 5th May, 1808.

A number of MacPhees are buried on St. Columba's Isle, Loch Arkaig, particularly those who belonged to Achnasaul, Crieff, and Sallachan. Some of the MacPhees from Coull farm, Glendessary, are buried in the old section of Kilmallie Churchyard, while others belonging to the clan are laid to rest in the MacPhee burial-ground at Loch Beoraid.

There are still a few MacPhees left in Lochaber and to them the very name of Glendessary is dear because it reminds them of their ancestral home.

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1980 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Receipts

Subscriptions 1979	27.00	
1980	875.00	
1981	67.20	
1982	10.00	
1983	6.00	985.20
Donation General Fund	50.82	
Trust Fund	46.00	
International		
Seneschal	50.00	
Mhic-a-Phi Stand-		
ing Stone	50.00	
General Meeting Raffle 3	34.50	
4	4.00	
Sales - Histories	8.50	
Badges	2.00	
Refund General Meeting		
Deposit	41.20	
Refund stamp duty	2.25	
Interest - Vic a/c	12.58	
ACT a/c	6.23	18.81

Expenditure

Newsbulletin Postage	404.98
" Printing & Stationery	548.86
Postage (excluding NBS)	81.10
Printing & Stationery	36.26
Telephone	35.55
Australia Flag	18.95
Stamp Duty	2.50
Transfer to Trust Account	59.58
Donations to International	
Seneschal	128.14

	1293.28
Balance B/F 1 Jan 80	250.05
	<u>\$1543.33</u>

	1315.92
Balance C/F 31 Dec 80	227.41
	<u>\$1543.33</u>

Of this amount, the following funds are held for transfer:

Mhic-a-Phi Standing Stone Appeal	50.00
General Meeting Raffle (4th)	4.00

Leaving a credit balance at the end of the year of \$173.41

SUMMARY OF ASSETS AS AT 31 DEC 80.

General Fund

Balance carried forward	227.41
(Of which \$54.00 is held for transfer as above)	

Trust Funds

Australian Savings Bonds	620.00
(Interest received during 1980 \$57.60)	
Bank of New South Wales Savings Bank -A/C	104.75
(Interest received during 1980 \$ 4.39)	724.75

Items on Hand 31 Dec 80

Histories (10)	85.00
Badges (5)	10.00
Stationery	50.00
Flags 1) St Andrew's	14.00
2) Lion of Scotland	14.00
3) Australia	18.95
	46.95
	<u>191.95</u>
	<u>\$1144.11</u>

V A L E

With sorrow we record the death late last year of Mrs Heather McPherson (N75-131) of Maroubra, N.S.W.

EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS

The following appointments have been made to fill vacancies on the Society Executive:

- VICE-PRESIDENT - Ross McPhee (N77-352)
21 Malory Avenue,
WEST PYMBLE. N.S.W. 2073.
- WESTERN AUSTRALIA VICE-PRESIDENT - John S. McPhee (W77-297)
77 Enfield Street,
VICTORIA PARK. W.A. 6100.

Additionally, the Executive has appointed:

- H.E.V. (Ted) Smythe (N74-064)
12 Fenton Street,
DOWNER. A.C.T. 2602.

to the new post of AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY VICE-PRESIDENT.

NEW MEMBERS

(only the one, our worst quarter to date)

- V81-492 Timothy Robert McPhee Allan, P.O. Box 23E, BALLARAT EAST.
VIC. 3350.

1981 MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS

1981 Membership Subscriptions of \$4.00 per member or \$8.00 per family are now due. Notices are attached for those who have not paid as yet.

Members under 18 years or over 75 years are excused from payment of membership subscriptions, however, in waiving payment of membership subscriptions for members over the age of 75, the Society Executive has determined that the onus rests with members for notifying their age to the Secretary (vide Standing Order 10/80).

Some members have failed to pay their 1980 subscriptions; reminder notices are attached for those concerned. Please give these notices your attention as we are unable to carry unfinancial members for any time.

ST. GILES' CATHEDRAL, EDINBURGH. RESTORATION.

A world-wide appeal has been opened for at least UK£2,500,000 to repair and renovate St. Giles' Cathedral in Edinburgh. The High Kirk of Edinburgh enshrines the spirit of Scotland's colourful history and no building more clearly symbolises the faith of our fathers. Throughout the world men and women regard her with affection and pride. Our generation must preserve for use this great and strong sanctuary. Should members be interested in further details, or wish to forward a donation, please contact Society Secretary, Helen McPhie.

HERE AND THERE

South Australia Vice-President Brian McHaffie of Glenelg North reports studying navigation, seamanship and small boat handling plus the acquisition of a small trailer-sailer....Cass has distinct reservations about it all though, so a world cruise is a day or two away yet.

Belated birthday greetings to John McPhee (W77-277) of Boyup Brook WA - more significant as John spent his 76th birthday in dock after a series of operations. All is well now on last reports..... others on the sick list over recent months are Historian Margaret Phee (N74-075) of North Curl Curl, NSW, Trustee Neil McPhee (V74-017) of Red Hill South, Vic, and Dorothy Tyrrell (N76-187) of Sylvania, NSW. Maintain those good recovery records....

Flying Officer Glen McPhee (V77-357) is on the move again; this time from No 3 RAAF Hospital at Richmond, NSW, to Headquarters Operational Command, Penrith, NSW, as Command Hygiene Officer.

Clan member Michael Duffy of Melbourne was overlooked in scanning the results of last year's Federal election - Michael, a solicitor, won the Holt seat from the sitting Liberal member.

Congratulations to Vic McPhee Esq. of Dalby Qld. - 84 on 15th February....brother Hector of Toowoomba, Qld, and cousin Neil of St John's Wood, Qld, are both close behind having notched 81 in recent months.

Norman McPhee (Z79-467) of 47 Lyndfield Lane, Wellington 4, New Zealand has established his grandfather, John Herbert, son of James, came from Toronto, Canada, circa 1885, but has not been able to find anything further. If anyone can help, please contact Norman direct.

Cedric Thomas McPhee (N77-310) has returned to New Zealand after living in retirement in Broken Hill, NSW, for a number of years.... and he's there to stay by all accounts as son, Nathan (N77-253), visited his father in Rangiora late last year when Cedric re-married. Nat was best man at the wedding, and later acted as MC at the reception - this gave him the unique privilege as MC of calling on himself (as best man) to toast the Bride and Groom (his father)! ...what tremendous scope for a speaker of Nat's calibre....and, Best Wishes, Cedric!

Ross (V75-107) and Betty (V76-155) of Mount Waverley, Vic, were holidaying in Hawaii for three weeks before Christmas. Ross' father, Stewart (V75-113) of Croydon, Vic, still in good form in his 84th year....

Coming Events:

- MAR 14 Adelaide Highland Games, South Australia.
- MAR 15 Geelong Highland Gathering, Victoria.
- APR ? Ringwood Highland Gathering, Victoria.
- APR 18 Lower Clarence Scottish Association Highland Games, N.S.W..

Colin (N74-015) and Joy (N75-110) Macfie of Forster N.S.W. are moving to a new site, 'Morningson', on Wallis Lake, but will commute daily to their 'Coomba Park' property for business purposes for some months yet. Phone (065) 54 7819 is still good during business hours.

A big welcome to our newest youngest member, Timothy Robert McPhee Allan (V81-492) of Ballart East. Proud mum, Frances McPhee Allan (V76-189) reported Timothy's arrivalearly this year - a playmate for sister Zoe (V78-413). Frances' father Bob McPhee (V76-157) of 'Glentanna', Watchupga, Vic. in hospital in St Andrew's, Melbourne - Best wishes for a speedy recovery Bob -

The poddy dodgers out Longreach way can relax again. Bob McPhee (Q77-353) has been promoted to Sergeant First Class and seconded from the Police Stock Squad to the State Emergency Services as Regional Operations Officer for the centre west of Queensland. Congratulations Bob! In his spare time Bob is President of the Longreach Police Citizens Youth Club and Secretary of its Diamond Shears Committee - last July this committee raised over \$6,000 when their Diamond Shears competition was run in conjunction with the Queensland Titles. All of Bob's family are members of our Society, wife Anne Marie, who is nursing at Longreach Base Hospital, Ewen, in 2nd year Medicine at Queensland University and Alastair, Lachlan and Fiona in High School at Longreach.

Perhaps an omen? Leslie Gardiner's "The Love of Scotland" (Octopus Books Ltd., London 1980) carries a coloured photograph on the half-title page of "a lone piper, one of Scotland's many symbols". The piper is wearing Macfie tartan. The book has been produced with the assistance of the Scottish Tourist Board and is an excellent publication with a most informative text and over ninety full colour photographs. (Our copy was A\$8.95 at Myers in Canberra).

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FOR SALE

Society Secretary, Helen McPhie, 6 Keats Place, Melba, A.C.T. 2615, can supply:-

- * Sets of Volumes VI and VII of Dr. Earle MacPhee's Clan History. These volumes deal with the Clan in Scotland. \$8.50 per set posted.
- * Volume VIII of Dr. Earle MacPhee's Clan History dealing with the Clan in Prince Edward Island, Canada. \$6.00 posted.
- * "Footsteps", Dr. Earle MacPhee's autobiography. \$6.00 posted.
- * Dreghorn Macfie strap and buckle badges - metal, about the size of a 50¢ coin. \$2.00 posted.

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The Macfie Clan Society of Australia



For the enlightened who do not reside in New South Wales or the Australian Capital Territory - this is the attractive cover designed by N.S.W. Vice-President Bill Tyrrell and his helpers for their news sheet.

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Journey time: 2½ hours Single Fare £3.35
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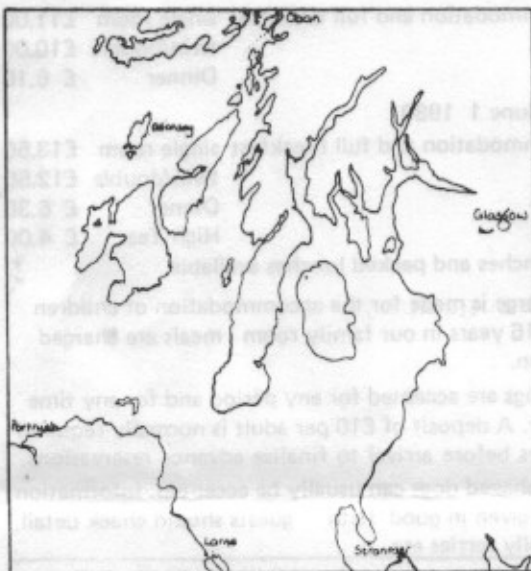
There are at present no plans for an air-service in 1980. Colonsay Airfield (grass strip 500 metres) is normally available to private and charter aircraft at own risk, prior permission ONLY. Tel. Colonsay 312.

N.B. At time of this printing, strip is CLOSED for maintenance work.

Helicopters may be hired e.g. Burnthills Aviation (Glasgow) Tel: 041-887 7733 — typical charter Glasgow to Colonsay approx. £200, 4 passengers.

Missing the Boat

If it happens to you, telephone the hotel as it is sometimes possible to make alternative arrangements for the adventurous.

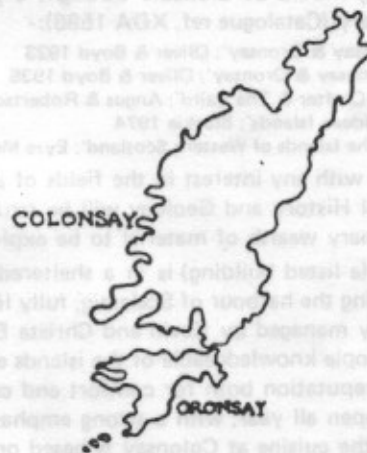


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The Hebrides - Scotland

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Although only 2½ hours from Oban by steamer, Colonsay and neighbouring Oransay are perhaps the least 'artificial' of the Hebrides; they have retained their native population, and have not become a nature reserve, research station or defence outpost - neither have they been turned over to hunting lodges and untrammelled tourism. The economy remains agricultural, enjoying low rainfall, mild winters and long hours of summer sunshine. Naturalists will note gannets, fulmars, wigeon, teal, lags, geese, eider and many other birds - a full list is available on request; the seals are readily observed, but otters, sharks and even whales are seen by some. Botanists may wish to study some at least of the 500 recorded species of local flora, and of course to visit the gardens of Colonsay House, amongst the most noted in Scotland. There is an 18 hole golf links, extensive sea and loch fishing, and boats may be hired locally.

A detailed, illustrated brochure devoted exclusively to the islands is available on application to the hotel. The following should be available through a good reference library (Catalogue ref. XDA 1596):-

Grieve S. 'Colonsay & Oransay'; Oliver & Boyd 1923
Loder J.V. 'Colonsay & Oransay'; Oliver & Boyd 1935
McPhee J. 'The Crofter & The Laird'; Angus & Robertson 1972
Mercer J. 'Hebridean Islands'; Blackie 1974
Murray W.H. 'The Islands of Western Scotland'; Eyre Methuen

The visitor with any interest in the fields of archaeology, Natural History and Geology will be struck by the extraordinary wealth of material to be explored.

The hotel (a listed building) is in a sheltered position overlooking the harbour of Scalasaig; fully licensed, it is personally managed by Kevin and Christa Byrne and among people knowledgeable of the islands enjoys a developing reputation both for comfort and cuisine. The hotel is open all year; with a strong emphasis on table d'hôte, the cuisine at Colonsay is based on the best of fresh produce; wherever possible, local supplies are used and of course; in season vegetables are from the hotel's own garden.

Facilities include a public bar, sun-room, drawing room and library; a wireless is available. There are wash-hand basins in every bedroom, although private bathrooms are at present rather limited. Bicycles are available on hire, and the hotel courtesy-car will meet guests at the pier or airfield; it is additionally available to collect guests by pre-arrangement from any point on the island, so that ramblers need not make every walk a round trip.



Getting There

Drive to Oban, where the hotel can advise you on term parking facilities

Or come to Oban by British Rail - there is an excellent service from any point in Great Britain, a wide range of excursion fares can make it quite inexpensive, and the station is at the pierhead

..... and continue by Caledonian-MacBrayne's ferry boat to Colonsay (2½ hours), where you will be met by the hotel courtesy-car

..... or if you prefer, bring your own car to Colonsay - all sailings are car ferries.

Tariff per person per day

N.B. Includes Value Added Tax at 15%. There is no service charge. Discount of 10% on stay of 7 nights or more from June 1st 1980

from April 1 1980

Accommodation and full breakfast	single room	£11.00
	twin/double	£10.00
	Dinner	£ 6.10

from June 1 1980

Accommodation and full breakfast	single room	£13.50
	twin/double	£12.50
	Dinner	£ 6.30
	High Tea	£ 4.00

Bar lunches and packed lunches available.

No charge is made for the accommodation of children up to 16 years in our family room - meals are charged as taken.

Bookings are accepted for any period and for any time of year. A deposit of £10 per adult is normally required 30 days before arrival to finalise advance reservations.

Well behaved dogs can usually be accepted. Information here is given in good faith - guests should check detail, especially ferries etc.

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