

# *The Macfie Clan Society of Australia*

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FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

The main item in this Newsbulletin gives details of the visit to Australia in November/December by Clan Commander, Dr. Earle MacPhee, of Vancouver.

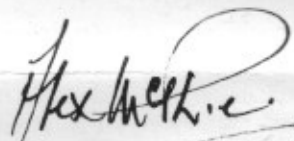
Accompanied by Mrs. MacPhee, Earle will arrive in Melbourne on Thursday 18th November and depart from Sydney for New Zealand on Monday 6th December.

Details of Earle and Mrs. MacPhee's visit appear elsewhere in the Newsbulletin. It is regretted that Melbourne, Canberra and Sydney will be the only centres visited, but by including the whole Scottish Week celebrations in Sydney the possible itinerary was restricted somewhat.

While in Australia Dr. and Mrs. MacPhee will be guests of our Clan Society. As Society finances are not geared to cope with outlays such as this visit necessitates, I have written separately to all members seeking help in meeting costs. I do not have to stress the significance and importance of the occasion and I trust everyone will help in keeping with their individual ability to contribute.

On the home front, we are now well established in Toowoomba and Helen and I extend our sincere thanks to the many members who wished us all the best with the move. Probably because our other moves during 20 years of Air Force life went off reasonably well, this one, our last thank goodness, was easily the worst we've had. But problems are only there to be overcome, so, with most well behind us now I can concentrate on more routine matters -- and keep out of mischief by working with Primac Real Estate Pty. Ltd., selling business and commercial properties.

With best wishes to all,

  
(ALEX McPHIE)  
PRESIDENT

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MELBOURNE GATHERING  
SUNDAY 5th SEPTEMBER.

Victoria Vice-President, Bruce McPhie and wife Betty, invite Clan members to an Informal Afternoon at their home at 8 Calypso Court, Forrest Hill, 3131 on Sunday 5th September, 1982, from 2 p.m. onwards. Interstate visitors will be most welcome in addition to Victorian members. Phone 878.7071, for those who wish to ring first. And, would local members bring a small plate please --

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VISIT PROGRAMME - NOV/DEC 1982  
CLAN COMMANDER & MRS EARLE MACPHEE

Thur 18 Nov - Arrive Melbourne 0905 hrs ex Hawaii  
- Attend Royal Caledonian Society Dinner  
Mon 22 Nov - Clan Macfie Dinner, Melbourne  
Tue 23 Nov - Travel Melbourne/Canberra AM hrs  
Wed 24 Nov - Clan Macfie Dinner, Canberra  
Fri 26 Nov - Travel Canberra/Sydney AM hrs  
Sat 27 Nov - Campbelltown Highland Games  
Mon 29 Nov - Clans' Ceilidh, Masonic Hall, Parramatta  
Wed 1 Dec - Civic Reception for Clan Dignitaries  
Fri 3 Dec - Grand Scottish Ball at Uni. of NSW Round House  
Sat 4 Dec - Clan Macfie Barbeque Luncheon, Sydney  
Sun 5 Dec - Clans' Picnic, Sydney Domain  
- Grand Scottish March & Opera House Concert  
Mon 6 Dec - Depart Sydney 1000 hrs for Auckland

Note Above details are tentative and will be amplified - especially the Sydney programme - in the November bulletin.

Melbourne Dinner

Monday 22nd November  
Chaucer's, Canterbury. 7:30 pm for 8:00pm  
\$25.00 per person, drinks inclusive  
Bookings & Payment to Victoria V-P Bruce McPhie  
8 Calypso Court, Forest Hill. Phone 878-7071 *by 8 Nov*

Canberra Dinner

*Cancelled*

Wednesday 24th November. 7:30 pm for 8:00 pm  
University House, ANU. \$20 per person, drinks extra  
Bookings & Payment to ACT V-P Ted Smythe  
12 Fenton Street, Downer. Phone 41-5430 *by 12 Nov*

Sydney Barbeque Luncheon

Saturday 4th December. <sup>3pm</sup> 11:30 am onwards.  
NSW V-P Bill Tyrrell's home; 18 Yeran Street, Sylvania...Bring Your Own Everything...  
Attendees please phone Sandy & Norah McPhee on 84-2257 or Ross & Joyce McPhee on 449-1875 as Bill & Dorothy Tyrrell will be away 17Sep/30 Nov.

Grand Scottish Ball, Sydney, Friday 3rd December.

Starters contact Sandy & Norah or Ross & Joyce (details above) by end of September. Tickets \$25.00 per person.

<u>RAFFLE</u>	<u>RAFFLE</u>	<u>RAFFLE</u>	<u>RAFFLE</u>	<u>RAFFLE</u>
TICKETS	\$1.00 from Society Secretary Helen McPhie, Toowoomba			
PRIZE	Return ticket for 2 to Scotland, courtesy QANTAS			
DRAWN	1st November 1982. Results in Sydney Morning Herald on 6th November.			
(Note 50¢ from each ticket sold will go to Society funds.....)				

Buy!!  
Buy!!



With acknowledgment to the Australian Womens' Weekly we print these extracts from Nancy McPhee's book 'The Book of Insults'.

# INSULTS

## ancient and modern

We admire those who say aloud what we only dare to think. This collection of insults is one that truly can be called historic

original; but the part that is good is not original, and the part that is original is not good."

— Samuel Johnson (1709-1784)

"You may have genius. The contrary is, of course, probable."

— Oliver Wendell Holmes (1841-1935)

The Earl of Sandwich: "Egad, sir, I do not know whether you will die on the gallows or of the pox."

John Wilkes: "That will depend, my Lord, on whether I embrace your principles or your mistress."

— John Wilkes (1727-1797)

### Sexist ...

"I have always thought that every woman should marry, and no man."

— Benjamin Disraeli (1804-1881)

"Strange to say what delight we married people have to see these poor fools decoyed into our condition."

— Samuel Pepys (1633-1703)

"Twenty million young women rose to their feet with the cry, 'We will not be dictated to,' and promptly became stenographers."

— G. K. Chesterton (1874-1936)

### Or uncomfortable ...

"May your left ear wither and fall into your right pocket."

— An Arab curse

### Quick-witted ...

Lady Astor: "Winston, if you were my husband, I should flavour your coffee with poison."

Churchill: "Madam, if I were your husband, I should drink it."

— Sir Winston Churchill (1874-1965)



"From the moment I picked your book up until I laid it down I was convulsed with laughter. Some day I intend reading it."

— Groucho Marx

### Nationalistic ...

"The English have no exalted sentiments. They can all be bought."

— Napoleon Bonaparte (1769-1821)

"The ordinary Britisher imagines that God is an Englishman."

— Bernard Shaw (1856-1950)

"There are few more impressive sights in the world than a Scotsman on the make."

— James M. Barrie (1860-1937)

"The thing that impresses me most about America is the way parents obey their children."

— The Duke of Windsor (1894-1972)

### Opinionated ...

"Abstract art? A product of the untalented, sold by the unprincipled to the utterly bewildered."

Al Capp (1909-1979)

"The scenery was beautiful but the actors got in front of it."

— Alexander Woollcott (1887-1943)

"He has delusions of adequacy."

— Walter Kerr (born 1913)  
on an anonymous actor

### Political ...

"I couldn't have called him an s.o.b. — I didn't know he was one — at the time."

— John F. Kennedy (1917-1963)  
on John G. Diefenbaker

"The Hon Member disagrees. I can hear him shaking his head."

— Pierre Elliott Trudeau (born 1919)

"Greater love hath no man than this, that he lay down his friends for his life."

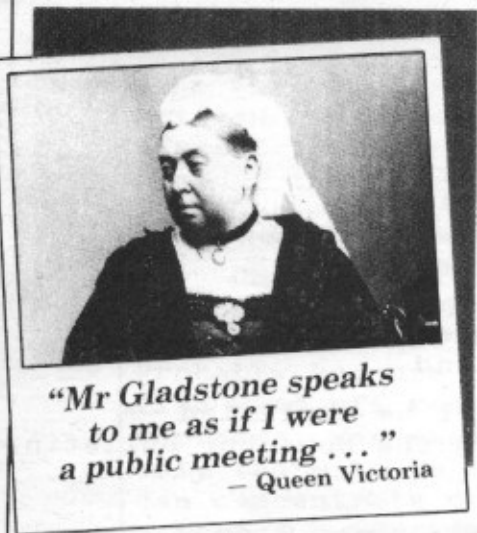
— Jeremy Thorpe (born 1929)  
on a savage Macmillan Cabinet shuffle.

"How can they tell?"

— Dorothy Parker (1893-1968) on being told that Calvin Coolidge was dead.

... but never dull

The Book of Insults, Ancient & Modern  
by Nancy McPhee, published by  
Paddington Press Ltd New York & London.



"Mr Gladstone speaks to me as if I were a public meeting ..."

— Queen Victoria

The insult, as an art form, can have many disguises. For instance, it can be subtle, as when critic Max Beerbohm (1872-1956) wrote:

"To mankind in general, Macbeth and Lady Macbeth stand out as the supreme type of all that a host and hostess should not be."

Or these others ...

"Why do you sit there looking like an envelope without any address on it?"

— Mark Twain (1835-1910)

"I like him and his wife. He is so lady-like, and she is such a perfect gentleman."

— Sidney Smith (1771-1845)

"He has impeccable bad taste."

— Otis Ferguson

"If only he'd wash his neck, I'd wring it."

— John Sparrow

"The man who could call a spade a spade should be compelled to use one. It is the only thing he is fit for."

— Oscar Wilde (1845-1900)

Or the perfect squelch ...

"Your manuscript is both good and



"How can one conceive of a one-party system in a country that has more than 200 varieties of cheese?"

— Charles de Gaulle

They Visited Colonsay:

From the local paper - probably the Oban Times - comes this photograph of Clan MacFie members about to leave Oban for Colonsay at the time of last year's Gathering of the Clans in Scotland.



Members of the **Clan MacFie** were in Oban on Friday before boarding the **Glen Sannox** for four days on Colonsay. Members of the group came from the USA, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Hawai and Sweden and had been in

Edinburgh to take part in the **Third International Gathering of the Clans** before setting out to tour the Highlands and Islands, completing their tour with a visit to the island of Colonsay.

Their guide on the island and trip orgainser is **Sheila Duffie** of **Auchterarder**.

During their stay on the island, members of the clan were going out to visit **Oronsay Priory** where the **MacDuffie** chiefs, from which the name **MacFie** was contracted, were all buried. The main focal point in Colonsay was to be the visit to the standing stone where their last chief, **Malcolm MacFie**, was murdered in 1623.

1. to r. **Martha MacPhee**, **De Vane Middleton**, **Earle E. MacPhee** (USA), **Sylvia McPhee** (Canada), **Ron MacPhee** (USA), **Cecil McPhee**, **Mabel MacPhee**, **Jean McPhee** (Canada), **Enzell Middleton** (USA), **Eric Wadsworth** (NZ), **Judy Smythe** (Australia), **Shelia Duffy** (Scotland), **Lorraine McPhee** (Australia), **Belle Brew**, **Caroline Wadsworth** (NZ) and **Ted Smythe** (Australia). Absent **Ruth Veeder** (USA).

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ROYAL CALEDONIAN SOCIETY DINNER - MELBOURNE

The **Royal Caledonian Society** will hold its **Annual Dinner** in Melbourne on Thursday, 18th November, at the **Dallas Brooks Hall**. The **Governor General**, **Sir Ninian Stephen**, is expected to be **Guest of Honour**. Last year, some 178 attended the dinner including a number of **Clan MacFie** members. This year we hope **Clan Commander Earle MacPhee** and **Mrs MacPhee** will be able to attend. Those interested in making a booking should contact **Victoria Vice-President Bruce McPhie** (phone 878-7071) or **Miss Bessie McPhee** (V76-147) of 5/16 **Seddon Street**, **Ivanhoe**, without delay.

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FROM THE CLAN COMMANDER

"I would like all members of our Societies to know the plans for the future and as well, the things that have been done even as a broken clan. Only a few know the progress we have made in the last four years. I would like members to know that their officers and I have moved in almost every aspect of the life of a clan, and that we are now organizing our talents to create a clan that is most distinctive for the 20th and 21st centuries. We have not yet found the words which will encourage our members to do outstanding things.

Let us find persons in our Clan, and write about them and encourage them so that the world will recognize that it was a Clan Macfie person who did these things. Within a few years we should be able to say many important things, e.g., that many hundreds of our people have established their roots, that more songs and bagpipe music have been developed, we are using all possible sources of information to write the history of our clan, that we have developed memorials, that we have encouraged boys and girls, and men and women to become great in music, in arts, in medicine, in law, in the church, in education, in research, in the armed services and in social welfare.

I have always lifted my hat to Lochiel and to Dame MacLeod but I have never felt that it was only these clans which produced names to remember. Tell us what you think please, what should be done to lift our eyes to a better horizon."

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INTERNATIONAL GATHERING OF THE CLANS

NOVA SCOTIA - CANADA 1983

Tentative plans for Clan Macfie activities are centred in the Glace Bay/Sydney area of Cape Breton and provide for:

FRI	5 AUG	Registration
SAT	6 AUG	Visit Macfie localities
MON	7 AUG	MacPhee Clan Council of Canada Meeting
TUE	8 AUG	Clan Macfie Parliament Macfie Caelidh
WED/FRI		Local tours etc.
SAT	13 AUG	Clan Macfie Finale

NOTE: Clan Macfie representatives will also take part in the Opening Ceremonies in Halifax on 27th to 30th July.

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MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS

Reminder notices are enclosed for those members who have not paid their 1982 subscriptions.

Letters are enclosed reminding members whose 1981 subscriptions remain unpaid that membership privileges could be withdrawn.

Please give these accounts your urgent attention.

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## HISTORICAL AND GENEALOGICAL NOTES

Society Historian (Mrs) Margaret Phee has written seeking help with research for a particular McPhee family. Her letter is reproduced below along with an offer to help with the research and recording of family histories. Margaret's address is 12 Pitt Road, North Curl Curl, N.S.W. 2099. (Telephone (02) 93.5399).

"I have had an enquiry from a member who believes he is descended from ANGUS McPHEE who arrived in Victoria, aged 13 (?) years, with his parents DONALD and MARION, brothers NORMAN and NEIL, and sisters MARION, MARGARET and MARY, by 'Priscilla' from Liverpool on 13.10.1852, arriving Melbourne 24.2.1853 - (See Bulletin No. 10 dated 3.5.1976). ANGUS married MARGARET McPHEE (her maiden name) on 2.4.1857 and they settled in Hamilton, Victoria, for approximately 24 years, then moved to Tarago, via Goulburn, N.S.W., for about 46 years, where ANGUS died at the age of 86.

Can anyone help with further information on this family and its members? Particularly DONALD's burial place, as his death does not appear to be registered in Victoria. Please direct any replies to me and I will pass them on.

I would also be pleased to hear from any other members who feel they would like some help with the compiling of their family's history in Australia.

1988, the year of our Australian Bicentenary is fast approaching. A most suitable way of celebrating this event, and at the same time paying tribute to the early struggles of our forbears in this country, would be to search out and record at least some of the effort they made to establish themselves in a new land.

There must be a number of older members who can recall stories of their parents and grandparents in earlier days. Younger readers of this Bulletin can then discover that 'History' is about real people!"

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Margaret also supplied the following details of Arrivals from overseas:

Following is some information from Index cards at the N.S.W. Archives of arrivals in the port of Sydney. If anyone requires more detailed information please write to me. Also, please note that the N.S.W. Archives advise these lists are not complete.

### ARRIVALS, 1840 - 1858.

- a. McAffery, James 29, Margaret 25, Mary Anne 2, on 'Thomas Lowrie', 1840
- b. McCaffrey, Andrew 25, on 'Anglia', 1950
- c. McCaffrey, Barney 28, Margaret 24, Nancy 1, on 'Herald', 1841
- d. McCaffery, Bridget 22, on 'Isabella', 1840
- e. McCaffrey, Hugh 24, on 'Elizabeth', 1844
- f. McCaffrey, Hugh 26, Catharine 30, on 'William Sharples', 1842
- g. McCaffrey, Hugh 26, Bridget 20, on 'Joshua', 1858
- h. McCaffery, Mary 17, on 'Pearl', 1841
- i. McCaffrey, Thomas 28, Mary 28, Francis 2, on 'Glenswilly', 1841

- j. McCaffrey, Thomas 35, on 'Escort', 1858
- k. McFee, Alexander 24, on 'Trinidad', 1841

ARRIVALS, 1860 - 1879

- a. McCafferty, Ann 19, on 'Light Brigade', 1867
- b. McCafferty, Daniel 16, on 'Wallasea', 1865
- c. McCafferty, John 27, on 'Montrose', 1864
- d. McCafferty, Catherine 17, Catherine 20, on 'John Vanner', 23.11.1863
- e. McCafferty, John 20, on 'Jerusalem', 22.6.1874
- f. McCaffery, Catherine 22, on 'Star of Brunswick', 1865
- g. McCaffery, Ellen 21, on 'Sir Robert Sale', 1867
- h. McCaffery, James 38, on 'Africana', 1866
- i. McCaffery, William 23, on 'Devonport', 1868
- j. McCaffray, Patrick 21, on 'Hotspur', 24.2.1861
- k. McCaffray, William 21, on 'Queen Bee', 31.3.1861
- l. McCaffrey, Alice 20, on 'Telegraph', 15.10.1860
- m. McCaffrey, James 19, on 'Hannah More', 6.5.1860
- n. McCaffrey, Patrick 21, on 'Sir Robert Sale', 1864
- o. McCaffrey, Patrick 19, on 'Morning Star', 1864
- p. McCaffrey, Owen 19, on 'John Vanner', 23.11.1863

ARRIVALS, 1880 - 1896

- a. McCaffrey, Catherine 18, on 'Port Victor', 1887
- b. McCaffrey, Ellen 16, on 'Northampton', 1881
- c. McCaffrey, James 18, on 'Peterborough', 1884
- d. McCaffrey, Jane 16, on 'Energia', 1886
- e. McCaffrey, Patrick 18, on 'Northampton', 1881
- f. McFee, Elizabeth 38, Mary Ann 12 Catherine 1, on 'Aberdeen', 1886
- g. McGaughey, Elizabeth 24, on 'Port Victor', 1886
- h. McGaughey, John 20, on 'Samuel Plimsoll', 1883
- i. McGaughey, Sarah 18, on 'Port Victor', 1886

ARRIVALS, 1826 - 1853

- a. McFee, Captain, per 'Paul Pry', 4.6.1839
- b. McFee, James, on 'New Zealander', on 9.12.1828, From England, 'Late surgeon of the 'Rowan Castle' whaler for passage to England.'

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MEMBERS' LETTERS:

Our newest member (Mrs) Zelia Thornton (Q82.509) of 12 Esdale St., Wavell Heights, Q. 4012, is on the lookout for yet-to-be-met cousins. Writing late last year Zelia said:

"I was given your name and address by Mrs. Dorothy McPhee of Bell, Queensland, in the hope that you might be able to help me in my research regarding my ancestress, CHRISTINA MCPHEE.

Dorothy McPhee put a notice in the Brisbane Courier Mail regarding a family reunion of the decendants of Angus and Christina McPhee. I knew it was a long shot but I wrote to her on the offchance that there may have been some connection between her Christina McPhee and mine. It is not so. However she informed me of your society and mentioned a newsletter which might prove helpful.

I am sorry to say that at this stage Christina McPhee is just a name to me. The few details I have were obtained from a Death Certificate and a little personal knowledge of a distant cousin. He



feels that Christina probably had two brothers, Donald and Thomas, also a sister Sarah who became Mrs. Michael Grimes. He feels she was the baby of a large family and was still alive c1940 (Sarah).

Christina was my Gr. Gr. Grandmother. She married my Gr. Gr. Grandfather, William Wall c1855 at Wollomin N.S.W. They had five children; John, who married Sarah Greachen; Donald (my Gr. Grandfather) who married Annie Medhurst; Mary, who married Carter; Isabella, who married Tom Courtney; Annie, married McLennan. Christina may have married a man named Ruby (Rubie) later, and had more children. It is thought that they could have lived at Wilson's Downfall on the N.S.W./Q'land border. During the years Christina was married to William Wall they lived in Bingara N.S.W."

In a later letter Zelia added:

"My Gr. Gr. Grandmother Christiana McPhee married William Wall at the Barnet River in 1852. There is to be a Wall Reunion in October and I am hoping to produce a Wall Family History in time for the Reunion. At this late date I still do not know who my Gr. Gr. Grandmother's parents were, except for the fact that her father's name was Donald.

I was able to obtain the Marriage Certificate for Christiana's and William's wedding. Note the spelling of her Christian name, it may be an error but it is repeated twice on the Certificate. The wedding took place in the home of the brides father, Donald McPhee, at the Barnet River. I can only conclude that "Barnet" was the former spelling of "Barnard" since their son later gave his place of birth as Wooloomen which is close to the Barnard River. The groom's address was given as Tugelow, New England. I believe there is a Tugelow Creek near Wooloomen and Nundle also. Christiana and William were married according to the rites of the Presbyterian Church, William Ridley was the Minister. A witness was Alexander Campbell, Farmer, which might indicate that Donald McPhee did work on his property.

At the Archives of N.S.W. I recently found mention of a Donald McPhee and his wife Catherine in a list of Bounty Passengers. They arrived on the ship "Brilliant" in 1838. They were from Ardanuchan (?), Argyleshire, Scotland. They were accompanied by their children, John, Hugh, Anne, Catherine, Janet and Mary. They were engaged by Capt. Livingstone, Paterson. These people may or may not be my Gr. Gr. Gr. Grandparents. I notice in the Newsbulletin for August 1981 that a Duncan McPhee from Isle of Mull also arrived on the "Brilliant", in 1838. Your (President Alex McPhie) ancestors also arrived in 1838 and settled at Maitland. So we have several people of the same name settling around the same area."

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Mrs. Elizabeth Wilson of "Lockerbie", Innisplains, Beaudesert, Q. 4285, writes:

"My great-great-great Grandfather was ALLEN McPHEE of Strathian Argyleshire, Scotland. He was married to a KATH McPHEE and died approximately 1852. He is buried at Strathian and his grave says he was from Camuschork.

They had ten sons that I know of:-

Hugh - Arrived Australia in "Brilliant" in 1837, settled Williams River on Hunter.

Thomas - With wife, Janet Cameron, and first three children (Angus, William and Catherine) in 1852, left Liverpool in "Kate" and arrived Sydney 16.10.1852. Stayed Hunter district, living on rented farms and reaping, for ten years. Then thanks to the Sir John Robertson Free Selection Act was able to get a farm of 60 acres on the Coldstream. His daughter Catherine is my great Grandmother, marrying John Daveison of the Coldstream on 8.1.1867. She died 14.5.1929 aged 80.

Angus - Died 1843 aged 25, buried at Strathian, Scotland.

Seven other sons - with their mother (Kath McPhee) arrived Melbourne early 1853. Some stayed in Victoria at the diggings and also worked at the construction of the first railways in Victoria - after seven years they had all moved to N.S.W.

Mrs. Kath McPhee settled at Southgate, N.S.W.

This is all I know about 'my' McPhees - is there anything else you know about this family?

P.S. I forgot to mention, these McPhee's belonged to the Free Church of Scotland and also had something to do with ship building".

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#### GENERAL NOTES

- \* In March this year Inez Ashdown (Z80-490) of Hawaii was appointed Historian Emeritus of Maui for the "Historic Womens' Week" in the islands. A busy week she reports, with luncheons, treeplanting, T.V. and radio interviews etc. Inez has been writing and lecturing on Hawaiian History since the 1920's when Queen Liliuokalani asked her to help preserve the heritage of Aloha for Hawaii and the world. This appointment is an honour recognizing her valuable contribution in this area. Inez is also one of the consultants for the project "Hawaiian Sea Village" cultural centre.
- \* Donald and Mae McPhee (N77-237 and 238) of Leeton N.S.W. are off to Scotland again next year where, of all things, Donald will be best man at a wedding -- Good trip, you two.
- \* Gladys McIntosh (S75-255) from Adelaide mentioned recently that her mother was 86 and her aunt 98 - both keeping the MacFee name going too - is Gladys' aunt our oldest clan member in Australia?
- \* Interested in bush walking? In the Brisbane Forest Park at the back of Enoggera is McAfee's Lookout, a delightful bush spot well worth a visit. And --- does anyone know who McAfee was and how the lookout was named?
- \* S.A. Vice President, Brian McHaffie, had a gathering of his S.A. stalwarts at his home in Glenelg towards the end of March. Gladys McIntosh gave members a report on the General Meeting and Clan Dinner earlier in the year. Brian and wife Cass (S78-396) are off overseas this year for a visit to the U.K. and west coast of U.S.A.



- \* Society Trustee Neil McPhee (V74-017) of Red Hill South has turned his hand to writing during his retirement. He won the prize for the unpublished author from Victoria in last year's annual short story competition of the Fellowship of Australian Writers. But it is still unpublished --- What about trying our Newsbulletin, Neil? I believe there's a novel and a book of short stories and poems looking for a publisher too, so the above prize is not altogether a once only effort. Neil plays the odd game of golf and bowls if the weather is ever reasonable down on the peninsular -- won the 100 up in the local bowls club championship -- and knows where best to spend the winter -- Noosa Heads on Queensland's Sunshine Coast, no less!
- \* Noted in the press recently:
  - Queensland V.P. Nevell McPhee and wife Lynley off to attend the 55th annual meeting of the Million Dollar Round Table of the Life Underwriter Association in Atlanta Georgia.
  - Sybil McPhie, wife of Murray McPhie (S78-432) of Pooraka S.A., who was the driving force in establishing Elizabeth Bowey House - Australia's first independent holiday relief centre for disabled children.
  - Pipe Sgt. Grant MacPhie (V76-230) of Oakleigh, with the Victoria Police Highland Pipe Band playing in Melbourne recently. Grant is a son of our Society Piper Donald MacPhie, one of Australia's best.
- \* John McPhee (T78-393) formerly of Dynvryne TAS. reports remarrying some 12 months ago and settling in with his new (and grown up) family at Berriedale TAS. where he is an insurance rep.
- \* N.S.W. Vice President, Bill Tyrrell, resplendent in Clan Macfie tartan represented our Clan in a wreath laying ceremony in Sydney on Anzac Day. Bill and a number of Clan supporters assembled in Bathurst St. at St. Andrew's and marched down George St. to Martin Place with 16 Highland Bands and representatives of other Clans. Quite a spectacle - -
- \* Bev. Knowles (V77-233) of Kew had four weeks leave with friends in Scotland during March/April.
- \* Tania McPhee (V76-181) of Shepparton VIC. who holidayed in the Phillipines last year and Bali the year before, has her sights firmly set on Scotland later this year.
  - Brother - Andrew (V76-180) a chef, spent last holidays skiing in New Zealand and plans to go to Singapore or Manilla next year. While Stewart (V76-182) another brother, has yet to tackle an overseas trip, concentrating first on completing an apprenticeship as a butcher.
- \* Paul Macfie of New Zealand turned out in the centres for a recent rugby game between Southland and the touring Wallabies. It didn't help - we notched our biggest win to date.
- \* How many of you knew that July 1st this year was the 200th anniversary of the repeal of the English banning of the tartan and the wearing of Highland dress following Culloden?
- \* Euphemia Scales (V80-482) and sister Phyllis Smith (V76-232) of Melbourne were in Scotland last year. They hired a car and drove just about everywhere possible. At Dunvagen Castle they met a John McPhie whose family have served the Castle for hundreds of years as stone masons.



- \* Society Secretary, Helen McPhie accompanied her parents overseas for seven weeks in April/May as Nurse/Companion visiting Hawaii, Los Angeles, Tokyo, Hong Kong, Singapore and New Zealand - leaving poor old President Alex (Sandy I) at home to look after two school age daughters, Lyndal (Q76-163) and Katrina (Q76-165)---and to shift house into their new home in Toowoomba. Not so enjoyable was a stint in hospital for Helen shortly after her return from overseas for a major operation, from which, fortunately, she is now fully recovered. (and typing this newsbulletin copy!)
- \* Father Anscar McPhee (W75-129) of New Norcia, W.A. is on a trip to Europe at present with Colonsay high on the list of places to visit. Father Anscar has recently been at Kulumburu Mission in the Kimberleys --- "an extraordinary experience," he says.
- \* Former N.S.W. Vice-President, John Phee (N74-043) of North Curl Curl N.S.W. was last reported in good nick this year and looking forward to an end of May holiday with wife Margaret after a heart by-pass operation in October last year. Margaret (N74-075) is one of our hard working Historians and responsible for all the data on pages 7 and 8 of this Newsbulletin.
- \* Noel McPhie (Q77-267) of Corinda Q. had a ten week trip with wife Vera through U.S.A. and Canada earlier this year. They called on Clan Commissioner Sylvia McPhee in Toronto and Clan Commander Earle MacPhee in Vancouver - and are still talking about these wonderful people with their friendly welcome and kind hospitality.
- \* The second list of Clan Macfie names from the Honour Roll in the Australian War Memorial will be included in the next Newsbulletin.
- \* Very best wishes to Julie Ann Fee (Q77-325) of Mackay Q. Julie was married recently and is now Julie Ann McCormick - really a member of Clan Maclaine of Lochbuie, I believe - but still a member of this Clan Society.
- \* Neil McPhie (Q74-027) sold his home in St John's Wood, Brisbane, recently and is off on a trip to Europe as this Newsbulletin is being typed. He expects to be away for 3 months - mainly in Spain and England. Neil, by the way, will be 83 in October.

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#### NEW MEMBERS

We are pleased to welcome the following new members to our Society:

- V82-504 Mrs Ina Jean Mansfield, Aberdeen St., Blackburn South, V.
- N82-505 Mrs. Mary Heather McPhee, 91 Harslett Cres., Kogarah Bay. N.S.W.
- N82-506 Miss Janet Rae McCarthy, 158 Casino St., South Lismore, N.S.W.
- N82-507 Allan Raymond McCarthy (RAN), 158 Casino St., South Lismore,  
N.S.W.
- V82-508 Mrs. Jennifer Lorne Robertson, RSD 19, Merino, V.
- Q82-509 Mrs. Zelia Clara Thornton, 12 Esdale St., Wavell Heights, Q.

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