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#### From Your President



What a trip!
Our first ever visit to Scotland left
Helen and me totally captivated.
We would go back tomorrow if we could
- not to live of course, as Australia
is our home - but to enjoy again a
wonderful country and wonderful
people and to sense once more the
links through our forebears with that
historic land.

This Newsbulletin includes reports on the 1985 Gathering of the Clans, the Clan Macfie Parliament, and the "Macfie's" jaunt through the Highlands and their four day visit to Colonsay. Many thanks for your good wishes for our trip.

I am sure that they will not do justice to the events or even reflect our true memories or inner feelings of those so memorable days for it is beyond our ability with the pen to set such things on paper.

Probably my greatest memory apart from my immediate feeling of being at home with Scotland and its people (and England too) is one of the camaraderie engendered when all the Macfies came together. Over fifty of us at the Clan Parliament and some thirty or so on the bus trip and at Colonsay. Mainly from Canada and the U.S.A. but with a sprinkling also from Scotland and Australia, we came together in one large family group.

National views were put at Parliament, National opinions were discussed and debated - even argued. But always there was an over-riding sense of being of one Clan, one Family.

It was an honour to stand amongst the representatives of our Clan membership worldwide, the pride in being one of them was tremendous - a great lot of people - our Clan -Clan Macfie!

Whether we will ever be able to return again or not, only time will tell. If we can manage it we certainly will and I can strongly recommend such a visit to any member who has the opportunity of making the trip. Our next Clan Parliament will be in Canada in 1987, then back to Scotland in 1989 and - possibly - Australia in 1991.

What about a good roll-up for the Clan Dinner in Melbourne on Friday, 8th November; 1985? Details opposite.

31st July, 1985.

Alex Mehie MLA



#### CLAN MACFIE DINNER

#### MELBOURNE

#### FRIDAY 8th NOVEMBER 1985

7.30pm for 8.00pm at Chaucers, 190 Canterbury Road, Canterbury.

President Alex M<sup>C</sup>Phie and Secretary Helen from Toowoomba will be attending. Clan Seneschal Sandy McPhee, NSW Vice-President Bill Tyrrell and ACT Vice President Ted Smythe are trying to arrange their programmes to attend.

\$30 per person, all inclusive.

Bookings - with cheque, please - to Victoria Vice-President Bruce McPhie, 8 Calypso Court, Forest Hill V 3131. (Telephone 878 7071)

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#### SYDNEY SCOTTISH WEEK 1985

#### "THE SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE GATHERING OF THE CLANS"

Monday, 25th November

Wednesday, 27th November Friday 29th November Sunday, 1st December Opening in Martin Place.
Parade of Chiefs, Chieftains, etc.
Scottish Race Day
Grand Scottish Ball
Clans' Picnic in Domain
Clan March to Opera House & Concert.

Full details available from The Scottish Australian Heritage Council, Sydney on 328 6867.

What about a full turn out by Clan Macfie members on Sunday 1st December? See you in the Domain --

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# THE MACFIE CLAN SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIA 6th BIENNIAL GENERAL MEETING AUSTRALIA DAY WEEK-END 1986

South Australia Vice President Brian McHaffie of North Haven, Adelaide has the organizing of our Clan week-end in Adelaide well in hand for the end of January next year.

The Sixth Biennial General Meeting, Clan Dinner and Clan Picnic are being held in Adelaide next year to coincide with South Australia's 150th Anniversary Celebrations.

Clan Members everywhere are invited to turn out and support our Adelaide cousins on the week-end. Full details in the next Newsbulletin.



Clan Society President Alex (Sandy) McPhie of Toowoomba presenting mine host Kevin Byrne (right) of Colonsay Hotel with an Aborigine throwing boomerang on behalf of the Macfie Clan Society of Australia.

Clan Society member Mrs Inez MacPhee (280-490) of Wailuku, Maui, Hawaiian Islands (centre) leading the 62nd Maui Country Fair Parade last year as Grand Marshall.

This parade was started by her father Angus MacPhee, a Hawaiian rancher in 1916. Inez was 84 at the time the photograph was taken.





Bruce MacPhee (Vancouver) Ron MacPhee (Hawaii) Sheila Duffy (Scotland) Alex McPhie (Aust) Sylvia McPhee (Toronto) Bruce MacDuffie (USA) John McPhee (Toronto) Norma Carrier (Toronto) at dedication of Commemorative Plaque to Earle MacPhee, beside the Mhic-a-Phi Standing Stone on Colonsay.

#### Macfie Invasion of Scotland

or

### How Sandy and Helen circumnavigated the globe in less than five weeks by Helen McPhie

Rather than make this a formal report I intend to make it a light and interesting account of a wonderful trip - one that we will long remember - and hope it will inspire others to go in the future.

We got off to a rather inauspicious start on 10th May - you will remember that Queensland was being blockaded at the time - and what could have meant disaster to our plans was overcome by flying down to Sydney in a light aircraft, on a glorious day without a cloud in the sky. Quite an experience.

HONOLULU
10.5.85

We flew out of Sydney en route to our first port of call,
Honolulu, and passed our daughter, Lyndal in mid-Pacific,
returning from an overseas trip where Honolulu had been her
last port of call. On arrival at our hotel we found Lyndal had left
letters, cards, a parcel and a lovely fresh frangipani lei for me as the
following day was my birthday. It was a lovely surprise which gave us a
real boost after the overnight flight. We contacted Ron and Martha McPhie
and arranged to meet for dinner in the evening, then went for a wander
about before having a sleep. Unfortunately we didn't see a lot as we only
had 24 hours there, but it is a lovely place. Ron and Martha are members
of our Clan Society (Z78-405 and 406) and Ron is President of The MacPhee
Clan Society of the U.S.A.

Ron and Martha collected us and took us to dinner at "The Willows" - very nice and very tropical with lovely food and a group of 'wandering minstrels'. We had a most enjoyable evening and were looking forward to seeing Ron and Martha again in Glasgow.

VANCOUVER Next morning we packed our bags (something that gets more 11/12.5.85 difficult each time you move on to the next place - for some reason it seems harder to get everything in the further you go) and boarded the flight to Vancouver where we were met by D'Arcy and Muriel McPhee. They were easily identifiable as D'Arcy was displaying the tartan on a board with a message of welcome. They drove us to our hotel on a scenic route. We found Vancouver to be a very beautiful and most impressive city and one that we would very much like to visit for longer. I was particularly impressed with the modern architecture, it was a great surprise to me to find that modern buildings don't have to look like glass monstrosities but can be aesthetically pleasing and individual in design. The following morning D'Arcy and Muriel took us on a "Cook's Tour". We visited Grouse Mountain which was still snow covered to about half way down \_ A thrill for me as it is only about the third time in my life I have seen snow. They have a great Skyway there for the ascent and descent. From there we walked over the Capilano suspension bridge which is quite something - very long and sways a bit and a big drop down to the Capilano River. A big highlight of our trip was meeting and having lunch with Jennie MacPhee, widow of our late commander, Earle MacPhee. Jennie is tiny (especially compared to my 178cms) and full of energy, bright and cheerful and a delight. In the evening we had dinner at Vancouver's revolving restaurant with Jennie, D'Arcy, Muriel, and Bruce and Nan McPhee. Glorious view, wonderful food and great company - what more could you ask! Bruce and Nan going to Scotland too.

THUNDER BAY 13/14.5.85 We stayed here for a few days to meet a cousin of Sandy's father and her family with whom we have been corresponding for many years. Thunder Bay is on the west coast of Ontario. A big sprawling city with huge grain silos.

Lake Superior in Ontario. A big sprawling city with huge grain silos. We had a marvellous time with Lola and her family and really had to tear ourselves away.

TORONTO 15/16.5.85 By this time we were beginning to feel like seasoned travellers and the suitcases <u>really</u> beginning to bulge. Jean McPhee (Sylvia's sister) met us at Toronto airport

where she had arranged for us to visit the air traffic control section. This was of special interest to Sandy - as an ex air traffic controller - but I found it fascinating as well. It's not a job I'd like to do though. Toronto is big but once again we didn't have enough time to see as much as we would have liked. In the evening we went to Sylvia and Peter's where we had a lovely meal and met Earle's son Ken and his wife Millie, Jim and Marilyn McPhee, John and Nancy McPhee, Jean (again) and Norma Carrier. Of this group, Sylvia, John and Norma were all going to the Gathering in Scotland. A most enjoyable evening and we were pleased to be able to meet more Macfies, it makes such a difference being able to put faces to names you have known for years.

The following morning we went to visit Susan Fish, a Minister in the Government of Ontario. This visit had been arranged by Sylvia and we enjoyed it very much. From there we went to Parliament House (known as the Legislature) and met the Speaker of the House and had a look around, a magnificent building, then we met the Clerk of the Parliament Mr Lewis, who took us to lunch. Said our goodbyes and had a look around the huge Eaton Centre, a shopping complex, collected our luggage and boarded the aircraft for London.

LONDON 17/18//19/20. May, 1985 We fell in love with London immediately - the only trouble was that there is so much to be seen. Hard as we tried we couldn't see it all but we had a pretty good attempt at it. A definate MUST for any intending travellers.

Donald McPhie(279-468) Solihull took us, together with his son Craig, to dinner at the Portman Hotel. We had a very enjoyable evening which was a lovely finale to a great few days in London. We then went down to Torquay in Devon and Truro in Cornwall before heading north where we spent a night with friends just outside York - which is a magnificant city, very "olde worlde". Next stop Glasgow.

GLASGOW 24/25/26/ 27/28/28. May, 1985 Day 1 - arrived and after checking in to the Lorne Hotel we had dinner, met Bruce and Nan and had a chat before having a well needed sleep.

Day 2 - Official opening of the 1985 Gathering of the Clans at the McLennan Gallery. We walked from the hotel,

Sandy in full kilt, as were a lot of others. The last few hundred yards we walked to the music of massed pipe bands marching from the wreath laying ceremony where a wreath was laid in memory of Cpl James McPhie , V.C.. The Gathering was opened by the Lord Provost of Glasgow (the Mayor) and the Premier of Nova Scotia, Mr J. Buchanan also spoke to the gathering. The ceremony concluded, we were served an enjoyable morning tea. Following which we went upstairs to see the various Clan stalls. The Macfie's were well represented at a stall manned throughout the week by Iain, Fiona, Doug, Jannette (Macfie), Rev James and Sheila (Duffy) who are to be congratulated on a job well done.

Days 3,4,5 - Clan Parliament. There will be a report on this in the newsbulletin so I won't comment here except to say that I enjoyed it very much and was especially impressed with the manner in which Sylvia chaired the Parliament. It was marvellous also to meet so many "Macfies" some we

knew, most we didnt, prior to this week.

Fitted in with the Parliament was a visit to Loch Lomond for Sandy, Bruce McPhie (V75-096) of Melbourne and me, which is just beautiful. Also Sandy and I went to Edinburgh where we met and talked to the Lord Lyon, Mr Malcolm Innes for about an hour. Very interesting and informative. For those who have not been there, Edinburgh is an absolutely wonderful city with the Castle - which we visited - overlooking all. We spent a most enjoyable evening at an Italian restaurant with Hamish and Gillian Cathie and Dr Ian Cathie. We were joined the next day by the remainder of the group and we all attended the A.G.M. of the Scottish Clan Society and were entertained to a most enjoyable lunch. Following which of course, we made sure we walked the Royal Mile and saw Sugar House Close, (Dreghorn Macfie) and various other points of interest. Everyone then returned to Glasgow where we were entertained at a reception at the City Hall by the Lord Provost following which we went to a Ceilidh with Clan Cameron - a good send off from Glasgow which put us all in the right frame of mind for our tour of the Highlands and Colonsay.

33 of us set off from Glasgow in great spirits on 1st June MACFIES ON TOUR and spent three days touring around Scotland seeing, among lots of other places, Culloden, Glencoe, Loch Ness, Isle of Skye and stayed overnight in Inverness and Fort William, where we had a Ceilidh which was lots of fun. On the evening of the third day we embarked at Oban on the ferry for Colonsay, where we disembarked at Scalasaig at 10.30pm in broad daylight! Sandy and I (and I suspect all of the others) were very taken with Colonsay. It is rather rugged but we were blessed with glorious weather and had a wonderful time there. We can't wait to go back. We all went across the strand to Oronsay where we wandered through the Priory which has an enormous feeling of history. Wayne McAfee played the pipes inside the Priory - moving to listen to. On the Wednesday we assembled at the Macfie Standing Stone for the dedication of the plaque for Dr Earle Douglas MacPhee - this was conducted by Sylvia. It was a shame that Jennie could'nt be there but we were all thinking of her.

We spent the greater part of the visit walking just about all over the island - even did some bike riding with Bruce and Nan (Vancouver) and I only fell off once!! We also climbed Dun Eibhinn, site of the ancient Macfie stronghold until the 16th Century - and what a view it commands of the surrounding countryside! One evening we were entertained at a wonderful concert by the Islanders and another night a Ceilidh at The Hotel. We all found Kevin and Christa Byrne to be marvellous hosts and the hotel is very comfortable. Sandy presented Kevin with an authentic Australian boomerang, for the hotel, suitably engraved, from the Macfie Clan Society of Australia.

It was sad leaving but we are looking forward to our return one day. The group stayed overnight in Oban and the bus returned us to Glasgow where we said our goodbyes and went our separate ways - until next time.....

We returned to London and were able to make a brief trip to Luton to meet Robert James Macfie and his family before flying home to Australia via Bahrain and Singapore.

It was a wonderful trip even though a little hurried - I can't wait to go again, especially to Scotland (and Colonsay)!

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#### REPORT FROM THE THIRD PARLIAMENT OF CLAN MACFIE, GLASGOW 27/29 May 1985

The Third Parliament of Clan Macfie was held at the Lorne Hotel, Glasgow, from Monday 27th to Wednesday 29th May, 1985. Miss Sylvia McPhee of Toronto, Canada, was Chairman for all business sessions.

Delegates for The Macfie Clan Society of Australia were President Sandy McPhie, M.L.A., Secretary Mrs Helen McPhie, Victoria Vice-President Bruce McPhie and Charles Macphee Esq of Ferntree Gully, Vic.,

In addition to Australia, representatives attended from Clan Macfie Clan Societies in Canada, U.S.A. and the United Kingdom. In all, over sixty Clan members were present at one or more sessions of the parliament.

On the Monday, national groups and International Committees had a chance to meet before formal proceedings got under way and the time was well utilised by all. The Official opening took place after lunch and was followed by various Greetings and Reports from the Presidents of the Clan Macfie Societies around the world and from the International Treasurer, the Keeper of the Records and from Clan Macfie Associates.

Tuesday saw morning and afternoon sessions with reports from the many Clan Macfie International Committees being presented in turn in the morning. The more pertinent aspects of these reports were then discussed at some length after lunch. A report on the deliberations by the ad hoc derbhfine of Clan Macfie Armigers in relation to the appointment of a new Clan Commander, was given at the conclusion of the afternoon session by the derbhfine secretary, Sandy McPhie (Australia).

Recommendations from the various committees were dealt with at the final session on Wednesday morning. In closing Sylvia McPhee spoke of the future of our Clan and called on all who are able to do so, to attend the Fourth Parliament in Nova Scotia in two years time.

Arrangements throughout had been well attended to by Sheila Duffy and her helpers from the Clan MacPhee Society of Scotland. All Clan members attending intermingled well and new and firm friendships were established at the dinners and social functions of an evening. These friendships were later consolidated as many members travelled together to Edinburgh and then through the Highlands to Colonsay.

Recommendations from Clan Parliament must be ratified by the various Clan Societies. Amongst those which will be coming forward are recommendations dealing with the following:

- The stated "purpose" of the Parliament to be reworded to "receive" reports ect., rather than to "examine" them;
- A programme to be introduced for signposting Clan Macfie points of interest on Colonsay;

- Steps taken to establish a Clan Macfie Dress Tartan and to initiate establishment of a Clan Macfie Hunting Tartan;
- Adjustments to be made to several International Committees in their names and roles;
- Moves agreed to place Clan Finances on a more formal footing; and
- A number of other recommendations for the various committees to expand their work.

The International Committees of the Clan Macfie are:

Genealogy Highland Games
Heraldry International Parliamentary Gatherings
History Names to Remember
Music Special Projects & Memorials
Nomenclature Traditional Food & Drink
Publications Social & Dancing
Tartans

They are chaired by Clan members from around the world and have membership from all Clan Societies. Appointments of the various Committee Chairman were reaffirmed.

A commemerative plaque honouring our late Clan Commander Dr Earle Douglas MacPhee, had been made and installed adjacent to the Mhic-a-Phi Standing Stone on Colonsay by Clan Macfie Associates. Costs exceeded the total funds in hand and Clan Members at the parliament generously donated more than enough to make up the difference.

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#### CLAN CAPITAL FUND

Many thanks to those members who have forwarded donations to the Clan Capital Fund.

This Fund has been established at Clan International level to build a financial base for Clan Macfie. Only the interest will be used (when necessary) from this Fund - the principal being held to steadily accumulate over the years as donations come in from Clan members around the world.

Donations of any size are acceptable. Why not add a little when next paying your Membership subscription?

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It's probably been in the Newsbulletin before - But, did you hear about the Scotsman who failed to turn up to give a demonstration of Highland dancing? Apparently he'd just washed his kilt and couldn't do a fling with it!

#### CLAN MACFIE LEADERSHIP

I believe most Clan members in Australia are aware that moves have been afoot for sometime to find a successor to the late Dr Earle MacPhee of Vancouver as Clan Commander.

Late last year an ad hoc <u>derbhfine</u> of Clan Macfie was called into session to consider this question. A <u>derbhfine</u> is the traditional body of Armigers and Land Owners of Scottish Clans which considers such matters and makes recommendations accordingly to the Lord Lyon's Court in Edinburgh.

Our <u>derbhfine</u> is composed of the seventeen Armigers of our Clan - one each in New Zealand and Sweden, three each in Australia, Britain and the U.S.A. and six in Canada. Clan Seneschal in Australia, Sandy McPhee of Sydney was chosen as <u>derbhfine</u> Chairman and myself as secretary.

Three Armigers indicated earlier this year that they were willing to be considered for nomination to the Lord Lyon as Clan Commander - Sylvia McPhee (Toronto), Ron MacPhee (Hawaii) and Charles Macphee (Melbourne). A fourth option was given in selection voting by Armigers and that was for no appointment to be made at this time.

With two votes going to the latter option, the remainder were equally split, five votes going to each nominee. Preferential voting allocations did not resolve the matter with a clear leader.

This deadlock was thus referred to the Lord Lyon for guidance and was discussed at meetings of Armigers in Glasgow (7) in May and on Colonsay (6) in June. I also discussed this and other topics with the Lord Lyon when I was privileged to meet him in Edinburgh between these two armiger meetings.

The matter has not been resolved at this time. Proposals have been put to all Armigers as a result of the above discussions and a decision should be taken in the near future to provide interim Clan leadership pending the appointment of a Clan Commander or Chief.

Alex McPhie, President, Australian Clan Society.



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#### 1985 Membership Subscriptions

Accounts are attached for those members who have overlooked paying their 1985 membership subscriptions of \$5.00 per person or \$10.00 per family resident at the one address. Your prompt attention to these accounts would be appreciated by Treasurer, Lorraine.

#### Overdue 1984 Subscriptions

Final accounts are enclosed with a covering letter, for those members who remain unfinancial for 1984. Regretfully, under our constitution membership rights will be withdrawn if they remain unfinancial.

# Macfie

(from the Clan Macfie Booth in Glasgow)

We are told by Dr. George F. Black in his invaluable life-work The Surnames of Scotland, that Macfie is 'one of the oldest and most interesting Gaelic personal names we possess'. 'Its plan and concept', says Dr. Gillies, go far away beyond those of even our old names' (Place-names of Argyllshire, p. 82). Dr. Black derives Macfie through Mac duffy from Mac Dhuibhshith, 'Son of Dubhsith', a name meaning 'Black (one) of Peace'. But he himself reminds us that there was a family on the island of South Uist in the Hebrides known as Dubh-sidh or 'Black Fairy' (sidh can equally mean 'elf') from a tradition that they had been in touch with the fairy folk. And the Macduffies or Macfies were also a Hebridean clan.

The chiefs were the Macfies of Colonsay, untraced since they lost the island. Meanwhile, the Lord Lyon has recently recognised Dr. Earl Douglas

MacPhee, their chosen leader, as Commander of the Clan.

It has been suggested that the Macfies were connected with the Dubhsidhe who was Lector of Iona in 1164, and as abbatial appointments tended to be kept in the family, the Macfies may therefore have been related to the sacred clan who became the Mackinnons. Certainly the church on Colonsay was dedicated to St. Columba, to whose kindred the Mackinnons probably belonged. On the other hand, there are those who say the Macfies descend from a seal-woman.

In 1463 Macfie of Colonsay appears as a member of the Council of the Isles that advised the great Macdonald rulers, and in 1531 a later Mache of Colonsay was cited for treason, being still a firm supporter of the forfeited Lordship of the Isles. Dean Monro, writing in 1549, tells us that 'McDufifithe of Collinsay' also held part of the isle of Jura. He later refers to him as ' ane gentle Capitane callit Mcduffhye '-gentle meaning here well-born and captain being the old style for a chief-and observes that Colonsay is seven miles long by two broad: 'ane fertile Ile, gude for quhyte (white) fishing, with ane paroche Kirk'.

After the downfall of the Lords of the Isles, the Macfie chief adhered to the Macdonalds of Islay. So it may be that the little dark fairy-man who is said to have slain Sir Lachlan Mor Maclean of Duart with an elfin-bolt when the Macleans invaded Islay in 1598 was not so much a dubh-sidh as a Mac Dubh-sidh or Macfie. Murdoch Macfie of Colonsay had been captured (with Macdonald of Sleat and Macleod of Dunvegan) when Maclean of Duart surprised and defeated MacDonnell of Islay in 1587. Strange tales are told about this Macfie chief and his Black Dog, and how he eventually met his death at Maclean hands, killed by an arrow-shot while taking refuge in a cave still called Slochd Dubh Mhic a' Phi. In 1609, the then Macfie of Colonsay was one of the Hebridean chiefs who were forced by the Government's Commissioner, the Bishop of the Isles, to agree to the 'Statutes of Iona' that so curtailed their ancient highland way of life.

The Macfies continued to support the Macdonalds of Islay, and in 1615 Malcolm Macfie of Colonsay rose in support of Sir James MacDonnell of Islay, Chief of 'Clan Donald South', on whose destruction the Government was determined. The Campbells (to whom Islay had been promised) secured the eventual submission of another chieftain of Clan Donald South, Colla Ciotach (left-handed or sinister), the original 'Colkitto', who captured the Macfie chief and handed him over to Argyll. In 1623, to add injury to insult, Colkitto slew Malcolm Mache of Colonsay (whom he found hiding under a pile of seaweed) and others of his clan, and took the island for himself. In this way, during the course of the seventeenth century, the island passed out of Macfie hands.

Macfie of Colonsay was also hereditary custodian of the Records of the Isles-but these, also, like the Macfie chiefs themselves, have long since vanished. On Colonsay, a family of crofters represents the family today.





The beautifully carved stone Celtic tomb-slab of Murchard Macfie of Colonsay, chief of the clan, who died in 1539 and was buried on the neighbouring island of Oransay, which also belonged to the Macfies. The fine craftsman who made it signs his name, and most skilfully incorporates the Macfie coat-of-arms, a Sword above a Galley, in his intricately simple design. The sword is a superb example of the old Highland two-handed claymore, with its cross-guard ending in four-ringed quillons. Above, Scottish deerhounds are attacking a stag accompanied by two hinds.

#### Clan Maclean has Qld representative

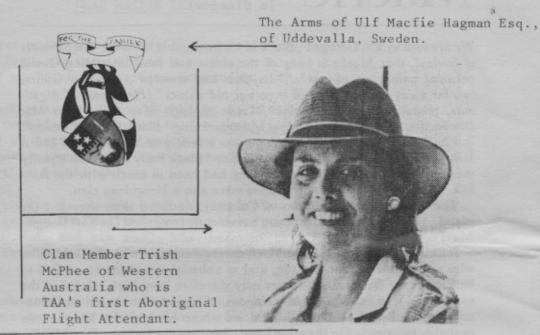
Mrs Dell Darrach has recently been appointed the Queensland representative of the Clan Maclean Association in Australia.

Anyone who has any clan connection and who would like to join or find out more about the clan can do so by contacting her at 3 Off Street, Gladstone, or by phoning (071) 72 2775.

Names entitled to request membership in the Great Clan Maclean (recognised Septs) are: Beath, Beaton, Black, Gillan, Gillon, Gilzean, Lean, McBeath, Macbeath, MacCormack, MacFadyen, MacFadzean, MacGilvra, MacIldy, Macilvra, Maclergain, MacRankin, MacVeagh, MacVey, and Rankin, as well as mispelling of those names including other know ways of spelling Maclean, Maclaine, McLean, and so on.

Mrs Darrach is also a member of the Montgomery/Montgomerie Clan Society of Scotland and also North America. Recently she was honoured with a visit to her home from Lord Montgomerie, Hugh Archibald William, the eldest son of the Earl of Eglinton/Winton.

Anyone wanting information on the Montgomerie/y Clan of Scotland or North America can also contact Mrs Darrach. GENERAL NOTES



- \* Get well wishes to Donald Macphee (S77-305) of Adelaide who is in hospital there with old age catching up but still fit enough to let everyone know he is being charged too much
  - and to Ian McPhee (Q77-285) of Toowoomba who has really ricked his back this time and recently underwent corrective surgery.
- \* Ian's brother Kevin McPhee (R77-261) met society President Alex McPhie recently at Port Douglas in North Queensland. Kevin was enroute from Alice Springs to (in due course) live in Adelaide. Alex on trip in the north with Queensland Environment Minister, Martin Tenni.
- \* Beverley Knowles (V77-233) has moved on after six years as the Public Relations Officer at Queen Victoria Hospital in Melbourne and is now with Holt Public Relations Pty. Ltd. in the same City as a P.R. consultant. Good luck Bev, with the change.
- \* Congratulations to Dr John Henderson of Toowoomba Q. who has been appointed Chief of Clan Henderson.
- \* Don't forget the 1985 Campbelltown (NSW) and District Scottish Society's Cathering on 17th November.
- \* Did you know that the first British Amateur Golf Champion was one A. F. MacFie? He won at Holylake in 1885.
- \* Overseas trippers are Grace McAfee (V77-250) of Coolum Beach Q., and Mavis McQuaker (Q75-092) of Dalby Q. Grace had a month in the Solomon Islands earlier this year and Mavis left last month for a trip to Scotland.



A great night enjoyed by all at Parliament House, Brisbane on 26th March, 1985 when President Alex McPhie hosted 28 Clan members to an evening barbeque and tour of the House - which was in session.

Clan Member Lynette McPhee who looks after the Money Multiplier pages in Rydges business journal. With Lynette's advice it mostly does that too -- multiplies!