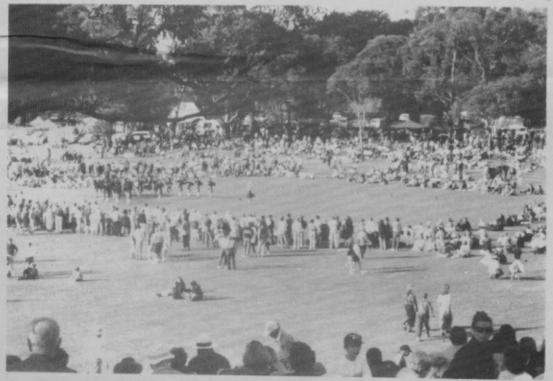
The Macfie Clan Society of Australia

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Pearlie McPhee (V79-463) of Ballarat, V., with the Macfie Tartan rug she crocheted from the pattern instructions in our March 1993 Newsbulletin, No 65. Pearlie is the mother of ACT Vice-President Glen McPhee who says the rug is such a success all family members have placed orders for one. Pearlie is wearing a Boyd Tartan scarf - she was a Boyd before marrying.



The main arena at Bundanoon when it was Brigadoon last April for the day.

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT



My apologies for the small print in places in this Newsbulletin but space is a little short this time. Too, please don't become confused with all the financial statements in this issue. On page 6 will be found the <u>Clan Society</u> statements for 1993, while on pages 15 and 16 are the combined 1992-1993 <u>Clan Society</u> statements presented to the Tenth Biennial General Meeting. On page 10 in the Clan Macfie News are the <u>Clan financial statements</u> for 1993. The Clan and the Clan Society are completely separate entities in this context.

The Tenth Biennial General Meeting Report is at page 13 and Meeting Minutes on page 14. Some State Vice-President vacancies remain on the Executive for 1994-95 and steps are being taken to fill them in accordance with our constitution. Decisions taken at the BGM are subject to ratification by the membership as a whole.

Those members who attended the BGM had a most enjoyable time- a pity more couldn't have been there!

A number of our members live in or near the Sydney areas devastated by the dreadful bushfires earlier this year. As far as I know none suffered directly from the fires, thank goodness.

Some time ago Helen and I decided to downgrade our housing and upgrade our campervan in order to travel more in outback Australia now that our children have grown up. We have sold our home and purchased another outside the city. If all goes well the change over will be at the end of March and we'll be off heading north and then west in late April. Arrangements are in hand for handling Clan Society mail and banking etc., while we're away - 8 Panorama Crescent will still find us (and Lorraine for paying your subscriptions). If necessary, the July Newsbulletin (No. 69) will be written and mailed on the trip.

Don't forget to celebrate <u>Clan Macfie Day</u> on <u>27th May</u>. We should be about Cooktown by then, or perhaps across to Normanton. We'll keep you posted ---

28th February 1994

All correspondence should be addressed to:

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The Secretary
The Macfie Clan Society of Australia
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NEW MEMBERS

A warm welcome is extended to the following new members who have joined the Clan Society in the past few months.

Q93-823 - Mrs. Yvonne Reed, 15 Dulin Street, Maroochydore, Q. 4558 N93-824 - Mrs. Bette Douglas, P.O. Box 600, Queanbeyan, N.S.W. 2620 N93-825 - Bruce McFee, 4/21 Holbrook Avenue, Kirribilli, N.S.W. 2061

LOST CONTACT

Contact has been lost with: Alexander McPhie (N88-645) formerly of "The Haven" Warra Road, Tamworth, N.S.W. If you have a new address for Alex, please let secretary Helen know.

FUNCTIONS GALORE

- SUNDAY 27th MARCH Victorian Council of Clans AGM at 11.00 a.m., Jubilee Park, Ringwood. Victoria Vice-President Kaye Macphee is unable to attend if you would like to attend, ring Kaye on (03 758-4428) for further details.
- FRIDAY 1st AND SATURDAY 2nd APRIL Maclean Highland Gathering, Maclean, N.S.W. Queensland Vice-President Bob McPhee will announce the winners of, and present prizes for, our second John Dunmore Lang Poetry Competition at the Ceilidh in Maclean on the Saturday night.
- SATURDAY 16th APRIL Bundanoon N.S.W. is Brigadoon again (see front cover photo).

 ACT Vice-President Glen McPhee will be setting up a Clan tent and is looking forward to welcoming all Clan Macfie members amongst the 16,000 or so who attend on the day.
- FRIDAY 27th MAY Clan Macfie Day don't forget to celebrate with all Clan members in your area.
- SATURDAY 28th MAY Victoria Vice-President Kaye Macphee is arranging a Clan Macfie Day sit down lunch on the Saturday at Box Hill R.S.L., 28 Nelson Road, Box Hill, Melbourne. Time: 12.30 p.m. Cost: \$16.00 per person Drinks: at the bar. Ring Kaye on 03 758-4428 to confirm attendance, for further details, or with special dietry requests.
- SATURDAY 11th/MONDAY 13th JUNE WEEKEND Clan Society Vice-President Peter McPhee of Nunawading, Vic., is holding a Family Reunion for descendants of Archibald Andrew McPhee and Sarah Vanderdeen who came to Australia last century. Clan Society members as a whole will be welcome to attend. The Reunion will be held in Melbourne, but details have yet to be finalised. Contact Peter on 03 874-1460 for further information.
- SUNDAY 17th NOVEMBER/SUNDAY 4th DECEMBER Sydney Scottish Week. No details available as yet from the Scottish Australian Heritage Council but the programme is expected to be on similar lines to past years.
- CLAN MACFIE GATHERING 1995 To be held at Atlanta, Georgia, U.S.A. from 19th to 22nd October in conjunction with the 23rd Annual Stone Mountain Scottish Festival and Highland Games. See page 9 of this Newsbulletin for further details.
- CLAN MACFIE PARLIAMENT AND GATHERING 1997 To be held in Scotland with the end of May the most likely time. Further details will be included when available, in future Newsbulletins. Why not plan your \$ and holidays now so you can be there in '97?



To a Mouse

Wee, sleeket, cowran, tim'rous beastie,
O. what a panic's i thy breastie!
Thou need na start awa sae hasty
Wi' bickering brattle!
I wad be laith to rin' an' chase thee,
Wi murdering pattle!
I'm truly sorry man's dominion
Has broken nature's social union,
An' justifies that ill opinion
Which makes thee startle
At me, thy poor, earth born
companion
An' fellow mortal.

Book Review:

Scottish Swords and Dirks, by John Wallace (Arms and Armour Press, Scottish swords and dirks have always been a popular collectors' item for, in addition to their aesthetic appeal, there is a romantic association. Their origins and early history have long been debated and dating of specimens has often been dubious, but in this book Mr. Wallace has bravely ascribed fairly firm dating to numerous specimens. He is to be congratulated on so doing for his arguments are convincing and even if later research should prove him occasionally in error this will in no way detract from the value of this volume. A very readable text, supplemented by many clear photographs with concise, informative captions, make this an extremely useful addition to the reference shelves of all dealers and collectors.

CLAN MACFIE HISTORY IN AUSTRALIA



What a project! Already we've identified two families who, with their descendants, could each fill several volumes on their own.

Letters have been sent to a number of members inviting them to contribute to the History. These went in the main, to those who returned Ancestor Charts over the past year. Further letters will be sent out as we identify more descendants of the original settlers.

The history will deal with the families of Clan Members who arrived in Australia last century. We are asking members to write a brief family history narrative, selectively supported by photographs and as comprehensive as possible family tree information, for inclusion in the History to supplement the records we already hold. If we miss contacting you please contact us -- Contributions to be with Clan Society Secretary Helen by the end of October.

Enclosed with this Newsbulletin (one per family) is a letter and proforma from Clan Society Historian Clyde Smythe seeking information on descendants (male and female) of our 19th Century arrivals who served in the Armed Forces. Clyde will be putting a chapter together on them for the History. Please give the proforma your due attention, further copies are available from Secretary Helen.

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THE SECOND JOHN DUNMORE LANG POETRY PRIZE

Entries have just closed for the second John Dunmore Lang Poetry Prize which is sponsored and conducted by the Clan Society. Thirty four entries have been received and are generally of a higher standard than the entries in the inaugural competition.

Prize winners receive a medallion plus cash prizes of \$100, \$60 and \$40. They will be announced and presented by Queensland Vice-President Bob McPhee at the Maclean Highland Gathering Ceilidh on Easter Saturday night, 2nd April.

1994 MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS

Notices are attached for those who have not yet paid their 1994 membership subscriptions. Please give them your early attention.

Payment of subscriptions in advance is always welcome, as too, are the generous donations (no limit here) members forward from time to time for the various Clan Society or Clan funds. Please feel free to continue this practice.

VALE

With regret we record the deaths of the following members, all of whom had been supporters of the Clan Society for many years. Sympathy is extended to the families concerned.

Mrs. Isobel Clark (V74-035) of Kew Vic., one of our original members and a staunch supporter from the outset, died last December after being in poor health for some little time:

Bruce McPhee (N77-319) of Ballina, N.S.W. and formerly of Soldiers Point, N.S.W. in mid 1993.

Former member Donald John McPhee (N74-049) of Caboolture, Q., and previously of East Lindfield, N.S.W. and Bribie Island, Q., passed away in mid November last year.

THEY'VE MOVED

Donald McPhee (V76-175) from Ballarat to 1 Willis Avenue, Marlo, V. 3888 Alex McWilliam (Q74-076) from Paradise Waters Q. to 327 Monaco Street, Broadbeach Waters, Q. 4218 - still on the Coast.

Mary Al Goodall (Q74-038) we're still catching up here. Mary Al was reported out of Beewah for Caloundra in Newsbulletin 66, but that happened ages ago - really she is at 11 Talara Street, Currimundi, Q. 4551 - Sorry M.A.

Joy Hewett (N75-110) from Galston, N.S.W. to 6/31 Mugglestone Place, Bruce, ACT 2617 Bryan McPhie (N88-661) from Speers Point, N.S.W. to 16 Panorama Parade, Warners Bay, N.S.W. 2282 - which isn't all that far away.

GENERAL NOTES

- * PENFRIEND WANTED. Markus Hagman, the seventeen year old grandson of Clan Commissioner in Sweden, Ulf Hagman, is looking for Australian penfirends, male or female. Markus likes music, sports and many other activities and writes well in English. His address is: Hoghult 48, 45193 Uddevalla, Sweden.
- * ANY McCATHIES? Clan Member Basil McCathie of 14 Chapman Rd., Scottsville, Pietetmaritzburg 3201, South Africa, has written endeavouring to trace Australian relatives. His great grandfather, William McCathie, was born 16 Oct 1835 in Strathmiglo, Scotland. With two brothers, Thomas M. (b 23 Jun 1829) and John (b 26 Apr 1831) he migrated to Australia circa 1850. William then moved to South Africa and in 1860 married Helena Foord in Cape Town. During the Anglo-Zulu war of 1879 he was speared to death by the Zulus when transporting supplies to the British Forces. He left a wife and seven children, one, also a William, being Basil's grandfather. If there are any descendants of the other two brothers, Thomas and John, out there, Basil will be delighted to hear from you.
- * <u>COLONSAY BOOKS</u>. Kevin Byrne's latest catalogue is available from Secretary Helen it lists Books in Print and Antiquarian etc.
- * Apologies to Clan Member <u>Diana McPhee</u> of Brisbane, Q., for the ommission of her name from the list on the front of our last Newsbulletin (No. 67) of Australian members who attended the Clan Gathering on Colonsay last September.
- * Congratulations to Fiona Thompson (Q78-427) of Enngonia, N.S.W. on topping her midwifery course at Dubbo Base Hospital.
- * Allison Hale (Q89-689) of Cairns, Q., has written to thank those who responded to her query in our Newsbulletin as to the location of some Parishes in Scotland. Allison left in February for a trip over there to see for herself.
- * The 7th Australian Congress on Genealogy and Family History is to be held in Brisbane, Q., from 7th to 10th July this year. Further information can be obtained from: The Congress '94 Convenor, P.O. Box 40, South Brisbane, Q.4101.
- * Yvonne Reed (Q93-823) of Maroochydore, Q., has passed on a warning re <u>car</u> theft. Late last year she and husband Allen had their car stolen from the car park at a major Brisbane shopping centre. It was located, totally destroyed, two days later with no sign of the items of sentimental value and photographs left in the car. Yvonne stresses don't leave anything in a parked car!
- * <u>John Phee</u> (N74-043) of Clareville, N.S.W. was laid up early last year but clearing his carotid artery was so successfull he took off on a Barrier Reef fishing trip also successful.
- * Out of Africa are Jean Davies (Q77-329) and family on a twelve month working holiday from their missionary duties in Ghana. Presently living in the Brisbane suburb of Marsden, they will be returning to Ghana in September. Attending an Australian type school is a new experience for Jean's and Colin's two sons as their education has been by correspondence to date. Enjoy your visit, Jean.

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many thanks to all members who sent Christmas and New Year Greetings to Helen and me. We greatly appreciated receiving them and enjoyed hearing from you.

This copy of Clan News contains a number of items of interest to Clan Members. The article on wearing a Tartan is taken from the Jan/Feb 93 copy of "The Highlander" and is pertinent to all of us. There is an update on developments some of them sad - since Colonsay '93 and news on the Clan Gatherings in Atlanta. GA., in October next year and Scotland in 1997; George Roussos has really set the ball rolling in North Carolina for Clan Macfie Day (which you all know is 27th May). Well done, George!

Names and addresses are included for Clan Macfie Society contacts - you don't have to be a resident national to join a clan society - and for the Clan Parliament Standing Committee Chairmen - if you would like to become involved with one of these committees please contact the chairman direct.

The Right To Wear A Tartan

By Alastair Campbell of Airds, Unicorn Pursuivant of Arms

Often over the years one has heard people explaining how they have "the right" or that they are "entitled" to wear this or that tartan.

In fact no such right, in any legal sense, exists for them or for anyone else. The only considerations which govern the wearing of a particular sett are usage and good taste.

Perhaps somewhat surprisingly there is no legal definition of what is or what is not the tartan of a particular clan. It is now accepted that the arbiter of what the clan should wear is the Chief concerned but his decision has no legal force behind it.

The general idea of using tartan for identification is of relatively modern origin; it gained ground swiftly in the early 1800s when surviving correspondence shows Chiefs and Chieftains writing to ask the manufacturers what their tartan was. They received a ready

Prior to this, for centuries, the pat tern of a man's plaid depended on what was available locally and which pattern took his fancy. By the end of the 18th century the manufacture of tartan had moved from being a local cottage industry down into the Lowlands and into the hands of such large firms as Wilson's of Bannockburn whose marketing skill was of a high order by the standards of any day or age. The steady production of new patterns for which an attractive name was given coincided with the great growth of romanticisation of all things Highland and the boom in Clan tartans was on.

People who asked for a particular clan tartan were readily obliged and in the pattern books of the day it is possible to see the change of title as, for instance in the case of Wilson's pattern "No. 250" which becomes successive-ly "Argyll" and then "Campbell of

Cawdor." So too, the occasions where the attribution was duplicated and a pattern is shown under several different clan names and minute differences in a basic sett sufficed to produce a new clan tartan

The influence of the manufacturing trade on the whole structure of clan tartans has been immense from the beginning and remains a powerful force today

In general terms, the trade get on very well with the Chiefs. As far as I know there has never been an occasion where a Chief has sought legal means in order to ensure that his wishes regarding his Clan's tartan are carried out. I believe there is one who has taken the trouble to patent the pattern of a clan tartan in order to control its use and this might be a way of achieving protection against the labelling of another pattern by the Clan name. Recourse might be had to the Trade Descriptions Act, in this country at any rate, to prevent the continuing of such a practice.

But it remains a fact that there is not a great deal that a Chief can do apart from petitioning the Lord Lyon to register his sett in Lyon Court Books. Lyon will accept petitions from the duly recognised Chiefs and Commanders of Clans for this to be done; the petition is examined by his Tartans Advisory Committee before being submitted to his decision. Lyon has complete control over the use of armory in Scotland but his jurisdiction does not cover tartan and this registration by itself confers no protection although it would no doubt provide powerful evidence in any legal proceedings as to passing off. But other bodies, such as the Scottish Tartans Society with their voluminous records although they may be able to produce abundant evidence as to usage have no official standing in the matter concludes by mentioning the existence whatsoever.

But to return to who may wear a tartan for historical reasons. Obviously with someone who bears the name of the clan concerned, there is no problem. Nor should there be one with anyone who bears the name of any of the recognised septs although the question of septs is one which deserves separate consideration being also one in which the tartan trade has played a major part. Where the name of a sept appears in more than one clan, the wearer must decide which clan he wishes to belong to; I would strongly suggest it would be inappropriate for anyone to wear the tartans of more than one clan as 'Theirs'. And, subject to the same restrictions, it is presumably correct in today's conditions for members of a Clan Society to wear the tartan of the clan concerned.

So far so good. When the relationship is further out we are on more elusive grounds. Some years ago, Lyon Office produced a pamphlet on the wearing of tartan which was clear and to the point. A lady married to a man who has no tartan of his own continues to wear her own tartan if she so wishes.

'Unless her child or children, or one of the children, takes their mother's name, these children have no right to wear their mother's tartan at all. They are not members of their mother's

The pamphlet goes on to suggest that those of Scottish descent who do not have a Clan, Family or District tartan should consider wearing 'Hunting Stewart' originally a general Scottish tartan, 'Caledonia' which covers all of Scotland; 'Jacobite' for those whose ancestors were of that persuasion or 'Black Watch' or 'Government Tartan' for those whose forebears supported the Hanoverian Succession. The pamphlet

of District tartans of which more anon.

There are a number of comments which can perhaps be made on these statements. As already stated, the word 'right' needs explanation - it is clearly a moral rather than a legal one for the latter does not exist.

Family tartans of course abound as do septs and it has been said rather rudely that if Adolf Hitler were to have walked the length of Edinburgh's Princes Street he would have found no difficulty in finding half a dozen shops eager to sell him his 'family tartan' before he got to the end of the street.

Whether the Stewarts who use the "Hunting Stewart" as one of their setts or the Campbells, Grants, Munros and Sutherlands all of whom wear the "Black Watch" sett in dark or lighter tones as a clan tartan will welcome the general invitation to wear these patterns may be questioned. No mention is made of the much respected practice by those without a tartan of having their kilt made in a plain material or in black and white shepherd check; this is both striking and dignified.

But there is nothing to stop anyone with sufficient means going to a manufacturer and having a length of tartan run off to his own design. Checking with the Scottish Tartans Society to ensure that the design does not clash with any already in existence is possible and the Society for a fee will register the new tartan in its records to minimise the risk of its being duplicated by someone else. Care must obviously be taken with the name to ensure that its status as a private family tartan - and no more is clearly understood.

In response to customer demand, there have been produced over the years a myriad tartans for names which are not those of recognised clans. There is a perfectly good tartan even for the Smiths, a work name to be found among unrelated practitioners of the craft throughout England, Wales and Ireland. The production of such tartans is a steady process and the number grows continually.

District tartans may offer a way out the other to increase the reasons for for those who know whence their ancestors came or even where those of their name were wont to live. Quite what the historical background of tartans with a district or town name remains uncertain. Certainly early correspondence of such manufacturers as Wilson's of Bannockburn would indicate that these names were more usually applied to new tartans as a means of easy reference rather than because of historic usage.

One practice which I think is indefensible is the invention of reasons why people of such and such a name should have the right to', 'be entitled to' or for it to be 'appropriate' for them to wear any particular sett. I cringed some years ago when The International Gathering in Scotland produced a list of Japanese names with their equivalent in Scots, suggesting it was right for the Japanese to wear the tartans of the equivalent names as 'theirs'

To sum up then, the whole subject of wearing a tartan with a particular significance in so doing is open to interpretation.

The desire is a natural one and one which deserves every sympathy. But if there is to be any remaining significance in the system, some form of restraint seems necessary. A Clan Tartan is either a Clan tartan or it is not. There seem two obvious ways - one, to increase the numbers of tartans and

which wearing a particular tartan is deemed 'suitable'

The danger of either policy is of course that by further diluting the system it ceases to have any real meaning as a means of identification. We are already closer to that situation, I believe, than is desirable. For my own part - and I would stress again that this is only a personal opinion, I see nothing very wrong in people wearing any particular tartan which takes their fancy; such, after all, was the original use. I can sympathise with those who seek any relation however distant whose tartan they may wear although I believe it wrong to claim that such a relationship confers any sort of 'right'

But any system needs control if it is to remain effective and have any real validity. I have not attempted to address the viewpoint of bona fide members of a clan who see their tartan being claimed by all and sundry. In my opinion, for what it is worth, it isn't so much the wearing of someone else's tartan which is wrong but the invention of bogus reasons for doing so. Those who encourage such notions in print, however well meaning they may be, are doing no service at all, in my view, to a system that bring so much pride and pleasure to so many people.

Is there a solution? Let's all wear the MacGregor tartan, that well known red and black check. Why? Well the MacGregors number MacAdam among their septs; we are all children of Adam so we must be 'entitled' to wear the Macgregor tartan.

Before Sir Gregor or his clansmen come looking for me, I hasten to explain that I am not being serious.

In a word, wear any tartan you like, but if it is not that of the clan to which you belong, don't invent a reason for doing so other than that you like it!



Aye! And no wee haggis

DUNEDIN, NZ: A Dunedin man is claiming a world record for the largest haggis.

He and friends are also claiming a separate world record for mass production of haggises.

About 25 sheep and one particularly large ox went into the 48.8kg haggis made by Jim

Another 100 sheep went into 100 small haggises which weighed a world record total of 611kg.

Haggis is made from sheep lungs, liver, heart, mutton, barley and a variety of season-



The poor reproduction (above) is from the full front page in colour of The Sunday Times, Scotland, magazine of 5th September, 1993 and shows Clan Commander, Sandy McPhie, with his banner bearer, Charlie Rhodarmer (North Carolina) at the Mhic-a-Phi Standing Stone on Colonsay. The magazine contained a Clan page spread on the Unfortunately, Gathering in the centre. there were some errors in this article and earlier one on 1st August, but served well to put the Clan name Gathering before the public - Clan Macfie is alive and well!

At left is a copy of the State of Carolina Proclamation of 27 Macfie Day.



CLAN HACFIE DAY

1994

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

Members of the Clan Macfie played an important role in the early history of North Carolina. These citizens of Scottish decent were instrumental in settling the area around the forser Tryon County, prior to the Revolutionary War.

Throughout the past two centuries, members of the Clan Macfie have continued to make significant contributions to the culture and history of North Carolina and the United States. John Greeg Fee, who founded Berea College in Kentucky, William Holmes McGuffie, suthor of the famous "McCuffie Readers," and Elizabeth Hanford Dole are three of the more prominent members of the Clan Macfie.

Each year, clamemen of the Clam Macfie convene for the Highland Cames, at locations in North Carolina and around the world. They are a proud people, whose heritage can be traced to the early 9th century. They celebrate with pride their ancestry and the contributions they have made to modern society. society.

NOM, THEREFORE, I, JAMES B. HUHT JR., Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 27, 1994, d Clan Macfle Day" in North Carolina and commend this beervance to our citizens.



JAMES B. HUNT JR.

IN MILES SHERROF, I have hereunto not my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this tenth day of December in the year of our Lord mineteen hundred and ninety three, and of the Independence of the Builted States of America the two hundred and peventsenth.

CLAN MACFIE INTERNATIONAL GATHERING ATLANTA, GA, U.S.A., 19th TO 22nd OCTOBER 1995

The MacFie Clan Society of North America has planning underway as host Clan Society for the Eleventh International Gathering of Clan Macfie. The Gathering will be held in conjunction with the 23rd Annual Stone Mountain Scottish Festival and Highland Games at Stone Mountain Park, Atlanta, Georgia, from Thursday 19th to Sunday 22nd October next year.

Ken McFee of P.O. Box 86, Moreland, GA, 30259, U.S.A., has been appointed chairman of their Planning Committee and is in contact with our Clan Societies regarding arrangements for the Gathering. A comprehensive programme of activities will be available for Clan members attending, commencing with a Tattoo on the Thursday night.

For further details contact Ken or your Clan Society secretary direct. An early indication of likely starters will be appreciated.

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"Book of Insults Ancient and Modern" (1979) and the "Second Book of Insults" (1981) into a new single Volume "The Bumper Book of Insults!" (1993). Published by Chancellor Press, London, it carries the number 1SBN 185152 285 9.

Cousins? In Clan News No. 6 (July 1993) we listed namy of those who had made donations to Clan funds. In the United States list was Inez Martin of Bl Cajon, CA. The name was spotted by Australian Clan Society member Inez Rosser of Warwick, Q., who was Inez Martin before marrying husband David!





Gorilla vet Dr Elizabeth Macfie.

GORILLA VET - DR. BLIZABETH MACFIE

Many of us know of the late Dian Fossey and her work with gorillas at Karisoke, the camp she founded on the plateau between two majestic volcanoes, Mts. Karisimbi and Bisoke on the Rwanda/Zaire border in Africa. But how many of us know a Clan Member is a leader in the follow-on work with the gorillas?

Her work was bearing results in increased gorilla population figures before her death and has continued since despite the outbreak of war in October 1990 with Rwanda rebels from Uganda in the north.

The continued progress is largely due to two women, Br Diane Doran, 36, who has spent more than two years as director of Karisoke, and Dr. Blizabeth Macfie, 33, who has worked at the Volcano Vet Centre for two years.

Elizabeth came to Rwanda at the suggestion of Dian Possey and is fully occupied as a vet attending to the gorillas' needs with injuries from poacher's snares and human transmitted diseases being the major problems amongst her patients.

(From New Idea magazine, Australia, 27th June 1992)

Congratulations and good wishes to David Wayne Mcafee and Phyllis Ann Birsch (left) on their wedding at the Community Church of the Rockies, Bstes Park, Colorado, U.S.A., on 19th March this year. David is the son of Wayne and Le Mcafee of Custer, South Dakota. Many members will remember David attending the Clan Parliament in Glasgow in 1985.

Anyone From Mull? Alex Jupp of 1333 Bloor Street Bast, suite 1612, Mississanga, Ont, L47 3T6, Canada has been researching his McPhee ancestors and intends publishing his findings as part of a family history later this year. His earliest traced ancestor is one Archibald McPhee who lived with his wife Margaret Graham and children Flory, Margaret, Murdoch, Malcolm, Alexander, Jean and Blisabeth on Mull at the beginning of last century. They migrated to Argentevil in Quebec, Canada, between 1817 and 1821. Any descendants, please contact Alex at the above address.

WORKING ACCOUNT FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR PERIOD 1 JAN - 31 DEC 93

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Balance B/F 1 Jan 93		1680.58	Administration *	0	
Per Capita Levies			Postage Telephone	229.48	
MacPhee C/S Ontario	109.92		Fax	24.00	
Macfie C/S Australia	410.86		Print & Stationery	295.47	
MacDuffie/Macfie C/S	148.44		Repair & Maintenance	62.77	1240.55
Clan Macfie Soc. (Scot)	112.00				
McPhee C/S N.Z.	135.00	916.22	Colonsay '93 Expenses	231 56	
Donations			Co-ordinator Claim **	844.78	
Macfie C/S Australia	30.00		Report Postage	151.70	1228.04
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Association Members	129.81				
Jennie MacPhee,			Clan News		
Vancouver, B.C.	54.51		Printing	344.00	
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Jamestown, N.C.	69.03		Stationery	16.00	781.35
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Nashville, TN	9.62		Miscellaneous Items		
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Includes some Colonsay 93 Expenses

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CLAN CAPITAL FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR PERIOD 1 JAN - 31 DEC 93

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	219.26			\$3758.09
	235.69			
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McPhee C/S N.Z.	150.00			
Jennie MacPhee,				
Vancouver, B.C.	54.30			
F.B. & Ruby McFee,				
Alco TN ***	32.27	975.97		
Account Interest		58,65		
		\$3758.09		

\$109.46 to celebrate Jennie MacPhee's 101st birthday

In memory of Jennie MacPhee In memory of Wilma McFee Bridges

PROJECT FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR PERIOD 1 JAN - 31 DEC 93 CLAN MACFIE

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The books are at the auditor at present. Working Account Figures do not include final accounting for the 1993 Gathering on CLAN FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR 1993. The Clan financial statements for 1993 are above and left - all amounts are in 4\$. Colonsay.

early December Bill McAfee of Texas, U.S.A. stayed several days with Sandy and Helen while visiting Australia on his way home Sandy McPhie, in Toowoomba in October are (1 to r) Karen, Kirsty, Lauren and Alan McPhee of Dubai in the United Arab Emirates. CLAN COMMANDER'S VISITORS. Visiting Clan Commander, from the South Pole Research Station.

With sadness I record the death of Shirley Pearson of Milwaukie, OR, U.S.A. on 5th October 1993. Shirley was a long standing member of the MacFie Clan Society of North America and the serving Society Commissioner in their District 4 at the time of her death. We admired her courage and determination to be with us on Colonsay despite serious medical problems and feel sure she returned home a happy person after being there with Clan members.

On a similar sad note is the report of Holley Chant's earthquake loss in Los Angeles. Holley was married on 30th October after returning from Colonsay. On the day of the earthquake I believe they were outside moving towards their garage when the quake hit, destroying first the garage and then their home. Thank goodness they are both O.K.

Not much news from Bob and Iain McFie - perhaps the car wouldn't start and they're still on Colonsay! The Video of the Gathering was late, apologies for this but it was out of control. A financial report for the Gathering should be available for the next Clan News July. Planning is progressing for the next Clan Parliament in 1997 but no firm dates or arrangements yet - hopefully it will be in late May to coincide with Clan Macfie Day and we will have details by July.

Another report had <u>Charlie</u> <u>McKinnon</u>, our Island bus driver, in hospital with a serious heart condition not long after the Clan left Colonsay. Latest report is that Charlie is fine following a by-pass operation in Glasgow.

Initial work has commenced on some of our <u>proposed projects</u> including the petitioning for a Grant of Arms for the Clan Societies collectively of Clan Macfie. This will lead to formalising the present loose organisation of our Clan Societies into a Federation. It, and other projects are expected to progress steadily and will be regularly reported upon.

Piper Gary MacPhie of Singapore (and Canada) married Barbara, his sweetheart, in Singapore on 19th November and honeymooned in Bali. He can now play "Waltzing Matilda" on the pipes, following demands from his Australian crew mates on a Dragon Boat racer. No reports of either activity helping them win races!

Due to family commitments Belinda Mahaffy of Ireland has resigned as chairman of the Clan Parliament <u>History</u> <u>Standing Committee</u>. A replacement is required - anybody interested?

Great news from Sweden - Aggie and Bengt Ohman have a son - Emil - born 12th February, weighing 3840 grms (8½ 1bs) and standing (?) at 52 cm or 20½ ins. Mother and son are well - so is Dad, and celebrating too, I would think. Well done you three! This news was phoned through by Clan Commissioner in Sweden Ulf Hagman who is, he says, "Keeping Well".



Missing Mac

I WAS appalled to see in your article on Clan MacFie (September 5) the "quintessential spelling" was given as McFie.

spelling" was given as McFie.
Surely this cannot be right?
There is no such word as "Mc". This is merely a contraction of the word "Mac" which bored, non-Gaelic-speaking clerks used when writing down the names of otherwise illiterate Highlanders.

The telephone directory, I am pleased to say, ignores this usage.

At least they did not use M'fic, the ultimate abomination.

Barrie W H Maclean Caiystane Hill Edinburgh

Sunday Times Scotland 12 SEP 93

OUR CLAN SOCIETIES

If you are not already a member of one (or more) of our Clan Societies around the world, what about joining one and supporting Clan Macfie? The following members can help:

SCOTLAND: Bob McFie, 26 Verona Ave. Scotstoun, Glasgow. G14 9EB

CANADA: Miss Sylvia McPhee, Suite 123, 1 Benvenuto Place, Toronto. Ont. M4V 2L1 UNITED STATES Boyt Cathey, 102 Cloverbrook Crt. Jamestown. NC 27282 : Coleman McDuffie, 239 Korbert Ave. Lebanon, KY 40033 Ray McFee, 1478 Knollwood Drive East, Colombus, OH 43232

SWEDEN: Ulf Hagman, Bavergilian 12, 451-54, Uddevalla

NEW ZEALAND: Eric Wadsworth, 37 William St., Petone

AUSTRALIA: Helen McPhie, 8 Panorama Cres., Toowoomba, Q. 4350

CLAN MACFIE APPOINTMENTS AND STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

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Ceann-Cath A. C. (Sandy) McPhie CLAN SECRETARIAT AND

8 Panorama Cres., Toowoomba, Q. 4350 Australia INTERNATIONAL GATHERINGS:

Sylvia McPhee, 1 Benvenuto Place, Suite 123, Toronto, ONT M4V 2L1 Canada

GENEALOGY: Boyt Cathey, 102 Cloverbrook Court, Jamestown, NC 27282 U.S.A.

HISTORY: VACANT

George Roussos, 2143 Baywood Rd., Fayetteville MEMORIALS AND SPECIAL PROJECTS: NC 28301 U.S.A.

Bob McFie, 26 Verona Ave., Scotstoun, Glasgow. G14 9EB Scotland MUSIC AND DANCE: Andrew Duffy, 12 Tormount Rd., Plumstead, London. SE18 1QB England NOMENCLATURE: PUBLICATIONS:

Iain McFie, Coulintyre, Kincraig, Kingussie. PH21 1LX England



The Oldest Tree In Europe

The oldest tree in Europe is in Scotland. It is the yew tree in the churchyard of the village of Fortingall, near Loch Tay in the Central Highlands.

Arboreal experts say that this yew is well over 3,000 years old. It has bent to one side and is now held up artificially, but it is still growing. A notice attached to a railing round the tree tells its story.

Fortingall is famous for more than the oldest tree in Europe.

It is said to be the birthplace of Pontius Pilate. This is possible, because it is known that the father of Pontius Pilate was an officer in the Roman Army. As a man of high rank, he was permitted to take his wife with him on campaign, and it is believed that his legion was stationed in or near Fortingall when the boy was born.

CLAN MACFIE CASTLE?

It would appear (left) have one America. This photo is of Clan Members the 1993 attending Stone Mountain Highland Games Atlanta last October. The MacDuffie/Macfie Clan Society America Inc. and MacFie Clan Society of North America both had tents there, side by better side for fellowship.

The Romans were not successful in their Highland campaigns and this legion was recalled to Rome.

Scots are convinced that the story is true and this is borne out by the nickname given to the Royal Scots Regiment of the British Army. They are the senior regiment of the Army and actually started as Scottish mercenaries in Europe with King Gustavus Adolphus of Sweden.

Because of their age they are known throughout the Army as "Pontius Pilate's Bodyguard''!

10th BIENNIAL GENERAL MEETING WEEKEND CANBERRA, A.C.T., 29th AND 30th JANUARY 1994

The Tenth Biennial General Meeting was held in Canberra on Saturday, 29th January. Hosted by A.C.T. Vice-President Glen McPhee (N77-357) and wife Glenda (N93-791). Members enjoyed a luncheon at the new Burns Club in Kambah before the meeting and followed that evening with an informal dinner at the Yamba Sports Club. On Sunday a Clan picnic was held on the shores of Lake Burley Griffin near Civic.

In all 26 members turned out, most of them attending all three functions. At the luncheon we had Burns Club President Jim James and wife Ros as our guests as well as piper John Wombey of Canberra and his wife Lyn. The Haggis was addressed in fine (Australian) style - see below - by Ted Smythe (N74-064F) of Downer, A.C.T. At the conclusion of the luncheon John Wombey entertained us with some piping, including playing the Scottish Lowland pipe or small bagpipe, which is different.

The Biennial General Meeting was straightforward - minutes and reports appear elsewhere in this Newsbulletin. Following the Meeting, members watched a video of the Clan Gathering on Colonsay last September and listened to the tape of a BBC segment on the Gathering.

Although storms were about, they had little effect on the dinner at the Yamba Sports Club or the picnic. More interesting at the Sports Club were Linda Mahaffey's (Lyneham, A.C.T.) efforts to break the poker machines one way or another. Who won Linda?

A bonus at the picnic on Sunday was the number of family and firends who accompanied members, including six pipers from the Queanbeyan Scottish Association Pipe Band - of which Glen McPhee was one as well as being Band Chairman. Good music and entertainment for all during an enjoyable afternoon.

A full list of those attending the meeting is contained in the meeting minutes. Special mention is made of Glen's mother from Ballarat, Pearlie McPhee (V79-463); Pauline Macfie of Edinburgh, Scotland, mother of member David Macfie (Q79-457) of Maryborough, Q.; and Robert (N89-717) and Linda Mahaffey's guest, Zakhia Boyazbik, visiting from Lebanon. Ian (N75-124) and Judith (A93-796) of Scullin, A.C.T. were at the dinner and for the picnic but not the meeting.

ADDRESS TO AN AUSTRALIAN MADE HAGGIS

In true Ted Smythe form, former A.C.T. Vice-President Ted Smythe (N74-064F) of Downer, A.C.T. apologised (we hope) to Robbie Burns and addressed the Haggis in Australian. Dare it be said, many of those attending at long last understood the Address?!!

Fair fa' y'r honest, sonsie face, Great Chieftain o' the puddin'race! Aboon them a' ye tak' y'r place ---Painch, tripe or thairm! Weel are ye wordy o' a Grace As lang's my airm!!

Here's looking at your dinkum face, Boss-cocky of the sausage race! Top of the lot you take your place ---Paunch, tripe or small guts! You're dead set worth a parson's Grace ---But me no buts!

The serving plate you more than fill, Your backside's like a distant hill !!! Your peg would do to mend a mill --- (If there were needs!) While down your slopes the juices spill Like amber beads!

His knife the hungry worker cleans --To carve you up is what he means !!!
Over your steaming guts he leans The lucky fellow !
Oh ! what a bonser sight it seems --Warm, smoking, mellow !

Oh, heavenly Powers that watch and care And dole us out our daily share, We Scotsfolk don't want fancy fare !!! The simple fact is, If you would hear our grateful prayer --- DISH UP A HAGGIS !!!

THE MACFIE CLAN SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIA.

MINUTES OF THE TENTH BIENNIAL GENERAL MEETING 29th JANUARY, 1994

PRESENT

Toowoomba), Incoming Vice President Peter and Barbara McPhee (Nunawading, Vic.), S.A. Vice-President Brian and Cass McHaffie (North Haven, S.A.) A.C.T. Vice-President Glen and Glenda McPhee (Evatt, A.C.T), Commissioner in Australia Sandy and Historian Norah McPhee (Mt. Vincent, N.S.W.), Historian Clyde and Barbara Smythe and Judy Smythe (Downer, A.C.T.), Geoff and Ruth McPhee (Lugarno, N.S.W.) Kelly McPhee (Evatt, A.C.T.), Pearlie McPhee (Ballarat, Vic.), Darlene McPhee (Warimoo, N.S.W.), Robert and Linda Mahaffey (Turramurra, N.S.W.), Angus and Helen Cameron (Evatt, A.C.T.), Ted (Sandy) McPhie (Chairman -(Lyneham, A.C.T.) and Secretary, Helen McPhie (Toowoomba, Q.) Clan Commander President,

The Chairman opened the meeting at 2.55 p.m. 1. OPENING

2. WELCOME

John Wombey of Canberra, and Mr. Zakhia Boyazbik of Beirut, Lebanon, as well as all present, and thanked them for attending, expressing The Chairman welcomed guests Mr. and Mrs. Jim James and Mr. and Mrs. his appreciation of those who travelled from interstate.

3. APOLOGIES

Vic.), Trevor and Rhonda McPhee (Karrinyup, W.A.), Ian and Aileen McPhee (Toowoomba, Q.), Mabel Corless (Armadale, Vic.), Kaye Macphee (Ferntree Gully, Vic.), Heather McKee (Yarra Glen, (Vic.), Joy Hewett Nevell McPhee (Toowoomba, Q.), Lorraine McPhee (Toowoomba, Q.), Bob and Ann McPhee (Glenore Grove, Q.), Neil McPhee (Mornington, (Bruce, A.C.T.).

4. MINUTES OF THE NINTH BIENNIAL GENERAL MEETING were taken as read as they had Moved Ted Smythe (A.C.T.) and seconded Sandy McPhee (N.S.W.) that the been distributed with Newsbulletin No. 63, July 1992 to members. minutes of the Ninth Biennial General Meeting be confirmed,

CARRIED

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

1. Item 6 - Matters Raised by Queensland Vice-President Bob McPhee,

Section a) The Chairman advised that as yet Clan Banners have not been provided to State Vice-Presidents due to a lack of funds.

The updated printing of the Constitution has been printing are available upon request. To date no-one has made such a completed, copies are sent to new members and existing members were advised in Newsbulletin No. 66, July 1993 that copies of the new Section c)

Section d) We have always welcomed items from State Vice-Presidents for the Society Newsbulletins, to date we have received few since

interest and thought with regard to the matters in Item 6 of the minutes of the Ninth Blennial Meeting as moved by Neil McPhee (Vic.) The expression of appreciation was extended to Bob McPhee for his and seconded Ted Smythe (A.C.T.) and carried by the meeting.

 Item 7 - Recommittal of Resolution from Fourth Biennial General Meeting (1992), the Chairman advised that in 1992 and 1993 we paid a per capita levy of 20% of the annual subscriptions received by the Clan Society to the Clan and that he would be taking a recommendation from the Treasurer, Lorraine McPhee and himself to the incoming executive that we pay 10% in 1994. He gave two reasons for this,

firstly that we have contributed more than all the other Clan Societies put to-gether and secondly that the Clan financial position since the Clan Gathering is fairly good.

6. REPORTS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

a) The Chairman read his biennial report. Moved Peter McPhee (Vic.) and seconded Glen McPhee (A.C.T.) that this report be received

b) In the absence of the Treasurer the Treasurer's Report was given by the Chairman and Financial Statements tabled. Moved A.C. (Sandy) McPhie (Q.) and seconded Geoff McPhee (N.S.W.) that the Treasurer's Report and the Financial Statement be received.

7. ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE 1994-95

The Chairman declared the following members duly elected to positions on the Clan Society Executive for 1994-95:

Society Vice-President: President:

Kaye Macphee (V74-023) Ferntree Gully, Vic. A. C. (Sandy) McPhie (Q74-001) Toowoomba, Peter McPhee (V77-373) Nunawading, Vic.

Vice-President - Victoria: Vice-President - A.C.T.:

Lorraine McPhee (Q77-287) Toowoomba, Q. Glen McPhee (N77-357) Evatt, A.C.T.

The Executive will fill vacancies for the 1994-95 term promptly and in accordance with provisions in the constitution.

8. GENERAL BUSINESS

a) Glen McPhee (A.C.T.) raised the possibility of the Clan Society his travel interstate on Clan Society business and put the matter to assisting the President financially with the expenses incurred for the meeting for discussion. It was moved by Ted Smythe (A.C.T.) "The Executive be asked to consider ways in which obligatory expenses for formal functions etc., for the Clan Society President/Clan Commander can be met." Seconded by Sandy McPhee (N.S.W.) CARRIED The Chairman called for a vote of thanks to Glen and Glenda McPhee (A.C.T.) for the work they have put in to make the 1994 The vote of thanks Biennial General Meeting weekend such a success. The vote of thank was moved by Peter McPhee (Vic.) and seconded Helen McPhie (Q.) and

CARRIED WITH ACCLAMATION

The date and venue are yet to be C) Next Biennial General Meeting. decided by the Executive. There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 4.00 p.m. CLOSURE

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writing, within 4 weeks of mauiling of the minutes of the meeting. all motions passed at the General Meeting must be ratified by the The decisions taken this year are considered straight forward and provided not more than 5 objections are received to any item, in In accordance with Paragraph 15 of our Clan Society Constitution membership as a whole. Ratification is considered automatic these minutes should be mailed by 11th March.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT TO THE TENTH BIENNIAL GENERAL MEETING CANBERRA, A.C.T., - 29th JANUARY 1994

Fellow Clan Society Members,

I am privileged to present my report as President of the Clan Society for the 1992-1993 term of office. Our Society has continued to function satisfactorily during this time - a 54 new members joined the Society during the period and we lost 41 for various reasons. Membership now stands at a record 461. one for Clan activity.

have 17 Fully Paid members and a number of you have paid membership subscriptions Finances are sound, but increasing costs have been hard to contain. We now in advance. Both assist our overall liquidity. For the second time we have made a payment from our Trust Fund - this time, \$150.00 to the Agape Youth Centre run by Judy and Paul Macfie at Brown's Plains outside Brisbane.

Parliament on Colonsay. Including six of our overseas Members, thirty two Society members made the trip and a further four Americans joined our Society Undoubtedly the highlight of the period was last year's Clan Gathering and The weather was perfect, the friendship amongst the 160 or so Clan members from around the world was outstanding and the busy programme during the members is greatly while we were on Colonsay. This support by so many of our week had something for everyone. appreciated.

CLAN MACFIE DAY and the establishing of a Clan Macfie Heritage Centre in Scotland. The next Clan Gathering (our 11th) is to be in Atlanta, Georgia, in October next year while the Seventh Clan Parliament is scheduled for Scotland in Decisions taken at Clan Parliament provide for further progress in Clan affairs in the years ahead, including the naming of the 27th May each year as 1997, tentatively in May.

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Closer to home, we have continued to meet our per capita contribution to the Clan and many members have generously forwarded welcome donations to the Clan We have established a Poetry Competition open to all at last, have set in motion the writing of a History of Clan Members who migrated to Australia last century and of their descendants. Society. and/or Clan entrants and

The Poetry Competition is the brainchild of Queensland Vice-President Bob McPhee. It was well received in its initial year (1993) and Bob is currently receiving entries in this year's competition. He is to be congratulated on his initiative which attracted high standard entries in its first year and placed the Clan name in the public eye. McPhee.

The proposed History will be quite a substantial undertaking as many families and generations are involved. Considerable foundation work has been Secretary Helen McPhie has commenced putting information on computer, but the major final input must come from the families themselves and I look to all of you carried out over a number of years by Clan Society Historian Norah McPhee. whose ancestors arrived last century to contribute.

In conclusion I thank Society Vice-President in the A.C.T., Glen McPhee and his wife Glenda, for hosting this Biennial General Meeting weekend, and all of My thanks too, to all Members of the Clan Society Executive for their support and contributions during the past two years. for attending.

Commander of Clan Macfie A. C. (Sandy) McPhie President and

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CHRQUE ACCOUNT STATEMENT OF RECRIFTS AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE PERIOD 1 JAN 92 TO 31 DEC 93

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Jornaine McPhee (Q77-287) Treasurer

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Balance C/F 31 Dec 93

THE MACFIE CLAN SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIA SAVINGS INVESTMENT ACCOUNT STATEMENT OF RECEIFTS AND EXPENDITURE FOR PERIOD 1 JAN 1992 TO 31 DEC 1993

THE MACFIE CLAN SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIA SURMARY OF INVESTMENT AND STOCK AS AT 31 DEC 93

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	GENERAL, FUND	Cheque Account Savings Investment Account Custom Credit Debentures (2 Jun 94 7.1%) Membership Paid in Advance	Fully Paid Membership (Sav. Inv. A/C) Fully Paid Membership (Suncorp Deb. 3 Feb 96 8.3%)	TRUST FUND	Savings Investment Account AGG Debentures (1 Apr 94 12.6%)	STANDING STONE	STOCK ON HAND AT COST	Histories 3 Volumes VI and VII Badges - 12 Coloneav Brochures (consette)	Colonsay Booklets - 8 Tracing Your Family History Booklet (quantity) NIL		- St. Andrews 14,00		
	150.00	612.10	1376.00	325.41	70.25		1215.88	\$3749.64					
EXPENDITURE	Trust Fund Donation to Agape Youth Centre	General Fund T'fer to Cheque A/C (C.C. Deb 550.00 Cash 62.10)	Fully Paid Hembership T'fer to Cheque A/C	Membership Paid in Advance T'fer to Cheque A/C	Standing Stone T'fer to Cheque A/C	•	Fully Paid M/Ship (17) 94.24 M/Ship Paid in Advance 432.69 Standing Stone	•					
		1746.35		639.42		546.54	77 027	00.07			298.19		40.48
22	198.50	66.20 991.58 459.91 30.16	62.40	130.00		36.60	420.00	00.00 90.00	39.30	80.7	50.12	17.00	2.48
RECEIPTS	Balance B/F 1 Jan 92 Trust Fund	General Fund Fully Paid M/Ship (12) M/Ship Paid in Advance Standing Stone	Trust Fund ASB 29.1 Interest	ASB 29.2 Interest Donations A/C Interest	General Fund Custrom Credit Deb.		Fully Paid Membership 1992 (5)	Membership Paid in Advance	1997	2000	A/c Interest	Standing Stone 1992 Donations	A/c Interest
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