## The Macfie Clan Society of Australia

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MEMBERSHIP OF THE MACFIE CLAN SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIA IS OPEN ON APPLICATION TO THE SOCIETY EXECUTIVE, TO ALL INTERESTED MEN AND WOMEN WHO HAVE SURNAME SPELLINGS AS LISTED BELOW; ARE CONNECTED BY MARRIAGE WITH, DESCENDED FROM, OR ARE ADOPTED BY PERSONS QUALIFYING UNDER THIS LIST; OR ARE MEMBERS OF A SEPT OF CLAN MACFIE AS SANCTIONED BY THE LORD LYON KING OF ARMS.

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#### COLONSAY HOTEL FOR SALE



(see pages 8 and 13)



#### FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Another hectic start to the year, and now suddenly we're past mid-year. I often wonder where the time goes, and am certain of one thing - that the older one gets the faster time does go by.

Special Clan Macfie Day functions were held in three States this year and we had a tent at the Bundanoon Highland Games in southern N.S.W. in April. All were well attended. My thanks to the respective organisers of these functions. They

involved a lot of work and members support in each case made it worthwhile. The Brisbane Dinner was exceptional as it was arranged in conjunction with the Celtic Council of Australia and had, as a special feature, the announcement of the winners of our Third John Dunmore Lang Poetry Prize.

At the Brisbane Dinner, too, Queensland Vice-President Bob McPhee of Glenore Grove, was invested with the Celtic Honour, Duine Uasal, for services to the Celtic Community. This honour was well deserved as Bob, in addition to his Clan Society commitment, has been Secretary of the Scottish Clans Congress of Queensland for a number of years: Congratulations Bob.

On page 13 I report the Hotel on Colonsay as being on the market. From a sentimental viewpoint it would be great for Clan Macfie to purchase the Hotel - but any such purchase needs be as a strict business undertaking. Clan News No. 12 was issued in April and contained details of the property, it was not mailed to members as a whole in Australia, but is available for anyone interested.

The Clan History project in Australia continues to claim a lot of Helen's and my time, but the more we work on it the more we find there is to do. We had no idea of the size of this undertaking when we took it on — please bear with us.

I am a little embarrassed by the request on page 5 seeking assistance with travel funds to attend the Clan Macfie Gathering in Atlanta this year, especially so following the fine response by members to the general call for donations to Clan and Clan Society funds with the last Newsbulletin. (See page 14 for acknowledgements.) Gathering Committee Chairman, Ken McFee of Moreland, GA. U.S.A., has requested assistance from all our Clan Societies in this matter and it is passed on for your consideration.

Helen and I will be in Sydney for the whole of Scottish week this year and we look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at some - or all - of the functions scheduled for the week.

Cambooya, Q. 4th July 1995 Sandy McHie A. C. (Sandy) McPhie President and

Clan Commander

BRIAN AND CASS MCHAFFIE FAREWELLED

In "General Notes" we mention S.A. Vice-President Ian McPhee and wife Barbara have been away overseas mid-year. They arrived back to find former S.A. V-P Brian McHaffie (S77-280) and wife Cass (S77-396) had sold their Adelaide home and were about to move to northern N.S.W. A quick whip around by phone rounded up some of the local members for a farewell dinner with Brian and Cass in early July before they left. Best wishes with the new home, you two.

1995/96 MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS

Accounts are attached for those members who have not paid their 1995 membership subscriptions as yet. Please give them your early attention. If considering paying in advance for 1996 or subsequent years, please remember our annual fees increase next year to \$10.00 per member, or \$15.00 per family resident at the one address.

#### THE FUNCTIONS PAGE

## 1995 SYDNEY SCOTTISH WEEK, SATURDAY 25th NOVEMBER TO SUNDAY 3rd DECEMBER

Clan Commander Sandy McPhie and wife Helen will be attending the full week of activities this year. It is expected that a special Clan Macfie function will be arranged during the week but details have not been finalised as yet.

Scottish Week activities will follow the established pattern and a strong turn-out of Clan members is requested at as many functions as possible with Sandy and Helen. The SAHC draft programme is as follows:

Sat 25th 2.30 p.m. Western Garden Party, Merrylands Sun 26th 10.30 a.m. Tartan, Kirkin' of the St. Stephen's, Macquarie 12.00 noon Picnic lunch, Hyde Park 1.30 p.m. March to Darling Harbour 2.00 p.m. Tumbalong Park, Darling Harbour - Opening Ceremony and Concert Mon 27th to Fri 1st - 10.00 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. Exhibition, events Martin Place Mon 27th Seminar "The Present State of Scotland" 7.30 p.m. Tue 28th 8.00 a.m. onwards - Golf Day and Lunch, Cromer Golf Course 2.30 p.m. Seminar - city Wed 29th Day Free 7.15 p.m. North Shore Ceilidh - Norths Leagues Club, Cammeray Thu 30th 12.30 p.m. Lunch - Parliament House 7.30 p.m. Sydney Society of Scottish History Speaker, Mr. Philip Morrice, British Consul General in Sydney Fri 1st Day To be decided 7.30 p.m. Grand Scottish Ball, The Roundhouse, University of N.S.W. Sat 2nd To be decided Day 7.30 p.m. Gankstown Ceilidh, Bankstown Scottish Hall Sun 3rd Highland Games, Rawson Park, Mosman

For further information on the above programme please contact the Scottish Australian Heritage Council Secretary on (O2) 220-6126 or 909-1480 (A/H).

## International Gathering of Clan Macfie, Atlanta, GA. U.S.A., 16 - 23 oct 1995

At present the only known starters from Australia for this Gathering are Clan Commander Sandy McPhie and Brian and Merilyn McPhee of Adelaide. If anyone else will be attending please let Secretary Helen know as soon as possible.

## Clan Society Eleventh Biennial General Meeting, Brisbane 25 and 26 May 1996

Planning is on the lines of a lunch, followed by the meeting, on Saturday and a river boat trip on the Sunday. Further details next Newsbulletin, which will also include a call for Agenda Items for the meeting and nominations for the 1996-1998 term of office.

## International Gathering Clan Macfie, & Clan Parliament, Scotland, 24 May/2 Jun 1997

Dates have been shortened slightly. Details are amplified on page 7. A preliminary brief is available from Secretary Helen for possible starters. For planning purposes, we urgently require some indication of numbers, please let Helen know ASAP by phone, fax, letter or in person if you are interested in attending.

New Zealand 1995 Gathering. The McPhee Clan Society of New Zealand has its Gathering this year scheduled for Linton on the weekend of 21st and 22nd October. Any would-be visitors please contact Bruce McPhee at 450 Church Street, Palmerston North, Tel: 06 359-1822 for further information.

In Canada Doug Macfie of St. Lambert, Montreal, will be hosting a Clan Macfie Tent at the annual Montreal Highland Games on 6th August this year. Further information from Doug on 514-354-2000.

#### 1995 JOHN DUNMORE LANG POETRY PRIZE

The 1995 John Dunmore Lang Poetry Prize was won by Timothy Collins of Annerley, Q., ("Edward Kelly"), with Ron Stevens of Dubbo, N.S.W. ("Soliloguy at Albury 1883") second and Ruth Inglis ("The Lone Piper") of Bribie Island, Q., third.

The was the third annual Poetry Prize conducted by Queensland Vice-President Bob McPhee (Q77-353) of Glenore Grove, on behalf of the Clan Society. The 1995 competition was proudly sponsored by McPHEE TRANSPORT and CARLTON AND UNITED BREWERIES. Forty three entries were received from throughout Australia and the winners were announced at a special Clan Macfie Day Celtic Dinner in Brisbane on 27th May. The Dinner was most successful and is reported on page 6.

The adjudicators, Mr. Robert Davidson and Mr. Jim Howard of the Henry Lawson Memorial and Literary Society in Melbourne, commented favourably on the entries and also commended an entry entitled "Queensland Bullockman" by Gerald Fitzgerals of Moonee Ponds, Vic., a returned serviceman, who, sadly, passed away shortly after submitting his entry. Interistingly, the 1994 competition was won by Ruth Inglis (3rd this year), while Timothy Collins, this year's winner, was second last year.

Bob has put a proposal to the Executive for holding the competition again in 1996, but not in conjunction with our Biennial General Meeting in Brisbane in May. More details later.

The winning poems for 1995 follow. Congratulations to the winners, and sincere thanks to entrants, sponsors and adjudicators, and to Bob and wife Anne (Q77-354), for their contributions.

#### "Edward Kelly"

25 years of life, raised hell from Kilmore to Kyneton, Benalla to Beechworth.

Poor old Jimmy Quinn was caught out. Three fell Stringybark Creek. Smell of gunpowder charged the air. Judge Red Barry said hang for Tommie Lonigan's death

Maggie and Kate wept like good sisters.

Then came the death mask.

Not many footsteps,
only their sound.

A rope squeaked on dry wood.

Dead weight and someone said
Kelly was real not like Robin Hood.

"SOLILOQUY AT ALBURY, 1883"

I know it is an honour to be invited here to share this great shivoo and be named a *pioneer* by gentlemen of substance who've come by special train. to mark the railways' meeting upon the Murray plain\*

The speeches praised - and rightly - our trusted leader Hume. He blazed the trail from Appin, despite the daily gloom of pompous Captain Hovell, who later magnified his bushcraft, navigation and oftentimes he lied.

No speaker mentioned this, for today was one for cheer. Besides old Hovell's silent now in his Goulburn bier; and Hume himself's been buried for - what? - nine years at least I'm probably the last of the party not deceased. So Thomas Boyd from Dublin, ex-highwayman to boot, is mixing with the toffs and explaining that the route we took to Westernport was a rougher one throughout and some of us were fearful we'd see the journey out.

As convicts though, Fitzpatrick and I had little choice. We'd follow masters' orders yet sometimes we'd rejoice in silence when the blunders that Hovel often made were shown as panic measures for which we'd all have paid.

I mind when Hume and I swam across the Murray's spread with lines to drag the punt, so that we might forge ahead, as Captain Hovell sulked and then scribbled on his pad the plan was his alone and that Hume had thought him mad.

To hell with English gentry! I'll have a glass of ale and toast the red-haired Hume and his forebears out of Gael. Too late for my returning to Ireland's tortured shore for freedom's bound me, loving this land I helped explore.

\*Note: Boyd was an official guest at the opening of the Sydney-Melbourne rail link in 1883. He died in 1885 and is buried in the Pioneer's cemetery at Tumut.

#### "THE LOWE PIPER"

Away on a hilltop, outlined 'gainst the skies A solitary figure the darkness defies And borne on the wind as it veers and it strays Comes drifting in snatches the tune that he plays.

But around him the bushland, hot, dusty and bare Seems to mock the Lone Piper and his presence there Where once, to the drone of the didgeridoo Dark eyes their Dreamtime corroborees knew.

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He feels he has come to the ends of the earth But while playing the songs of the land of his birth He's transported back to the homeland he's missed As his music is keeping its' nostalgic tryst.

In the deepening twilight the melodies float And sadness and sweetness are in every note As the piper, performing his keening lament Pipes the heart-broken song of a fabled event.

And it seems as he plays, that 'twas but yesterday, As he pours out his heart in the sad, ancient lay He calls back the splendour of deeds, and their cost, Of battles near-won and of battles near-lost.

The soft broken threnody fades on the breeze As it tells of the legends and past histories; Of glories long gone, and of heroes long dead, And of treachery too, and of tears long since shed.

The story of Scotland, preserved in her songs Keeps count of her triumphs; keeps score of her wrongs. As he lays down his pipes the Lone Piper, at last Is content, as he knows he's kept faith with the past.

## CLAN COMMANDER'S ATLANTA TRAVEL

The following extract from the 1995 Clan Macfie Gathering brief by co-ordinator Ken McFee of Moreland, GA. U.S.A., is reproduced at Ken's request. If any members would like to assist with the Clan Commander's expenses for this Gathering please forward your donations to our Clan Society Secretary, Helen McPhie at Cambooya, Q.

#### "Commander's Travel"

"Alexander Carpendale (Sandy) McPhie, Commander of Clan Macfie has conveyed to us that finances might keep him and wife helen from attending the '95 Gathering and had in fact some concerns about their being able to attend Clan Parliament in '97!

Should not we, and by that I mean all in Clan Macfie, be supporting the travel needs of our Clan Commander in as far as his duties as our Commander concerned? He has travelled at the call of Clan Macfie since being commissioned following Dr. Earle MacPhee's death, and has absorbed costs that would stagger most of us, being our leader, representative. and most of all, strengthening our Clan worldwide. Bear in mind there are no estates, no salary for our Commander. Don't you think it's time that our Clan does as most other

clans and support in some way the Commander's travel needs out of country? Who of you will step forward and help start a Commander's Travel Fund? (In my first newsletter I asked for your suggestions or comments. All have been favourable to the need for a Commander's Travel Fund!) A fund has been started and in the interests of expedience as follows - make cheques or money orders payable in U.S. funds to "Macfie Clan Society of North America", mail to Ginger McAfee, Treasurer, Macfie Clan Soc. NA, 7501 Hickory Ridge Rd., Mt. Juliet, TN 37122 U.S.A.

Please specify the funds are for The Commander's Travel Fund. All funds will be disbursed at the Commander's discretion. An accounting, along with all remaining funds, will be passed over to the Commander during, or immediately following, the '95 Macfie Clan Gathering."

NOTE: At present funds are available for the greater part of Sandy's expenses, and he will be attending the Gathering, but they are well short of the amount required for Helen to accompany him.

## VALE |

With sorrow we record the death of Paul McPhee (V75-100) of Malvern, Vic., on 10th April, aged 48. The eldest of five children of Keith Basil McPhee and Gwen (Young), he studied Law at Melbourne University, was a Lawyer and later, soliciter, and partner in the Wantirna South firm of Ratner McPhee. He was one of our early members and a strong supporter of the Clan. Married to Margaret Kiss in 1973 they had three sons, the youngest, Nicholas, having just completed a school assignment on the genealogy and history of their family. Paul's first meeting with Margaret was history in itself - friends wrapped him up and gave him to Margaret as a birthday present, little realising they would marry two years later. Paul will be sadly missed by all who knew him. Our sympathy goes to Margaret and the boys.

#### FUNCTION REPORTS

Bundanoon Highland Games 8th April. The day was a great success with a record crowd of 20,000 plus. ACT Vice-President Glen McPhee (N77-357) of Evatt, and NSW Vice-President Geoff McPhee (N77-339) of Lugarno and wives Glenda (N93-791) and Ruth (N77-340) manned a Clan Macfie tent and had a steady number of visitors during the day. The bitterly cold and windy weather in no way distracted from the enjoyment of the occasion - most probably thought they were in the Highlands, though dressed more warmly than Rob Roy or Braveheart, for sure! Glen and Geoff are looking to continuing the Macfie outing next year at Bundanoon.

Mt. Vincent Open House 21st May. At the home of Clan Commissioner in Australia Sandy McPhee (N74-012) and his wife, Historian Norah (N74-052) and co-hosted with NSW Vice-President Geoff McPhie (N77-339) and wife Ruth (N77-340) of Lugarno. Over thirty members attended for an enjoyable luncheon and day of Clan reminiscences and geanealogical talk - the log fire and view across the Mulbring Valley contributing to everyone's enjoyment. Further mention of the occasion is included in the Genealogical Notes on page 12.

Melbourne Luncheon, Saturday 27th May. Hosted by Victoria Vice-President, Kaye Macphee (V74-023) of Ferntree Gully and held at the Box Hill RSL Club, the luncheon was attended by thrity members with Glenda Walton (V95-894) of Balaclava, Vic joining that day, and some longer standing members attending their first Clan function. Following the enjoyable Scottish luncheon with tasty haggis, members adjourned to the home of Society Vice-President Peter McPhee (V77-373) and wife Barbara (V90-736) at Nunawading for a leisurely afternoon.

Brisbane Celtic Dinner, Saturday 27th May. Arranged by Queensland Vice-President Bob McPhee (Q77-353) and wife Ann (Q77-354) of Glenore Grove, on behalf of The Macfie Clan Society of Australia and the Celtic Council of Australia, the dinner was a huge success with over ninety in attendance - the largest single group by far being Macfies, with members from Brisbane, the Downs, North and South Coasts and New South Wales. Members of other Scottish Clans, the Irish Association and the Cornish Association of Queensland also attended the dinner. Entertainment was provided by the Q'ld Irish Association Pipe Band, the Lynagh Studio of irish Dancing and John Colville, a specialist in ceilidh entertainment. Dr. Kath Filmer-Davies from Queensland University was guest speaker and Ruth Inglis (one of our winners) read some of her poetry. The highlights of the evening were the announcement of the winners of the Society's 1995 Poetry Prize and the conferring of Celtic Honours on our Bob McPhee and Bill Hanley, past president of the Queensland Irish Association.

#### CELTIC HONOUR FOR BOB MCPHEE

The Celtic Honour, DUINE UASAL has been conferred on Queensland Vice-President Bob McPhee (Q77-353) of Glenore Grove by The Celtic Council of Australia in recognition of his continuing and distinguished service to the Celtic Communities in Queensland. In addition to being Queensland Vice-President of our Clan Society since 1990, Bob was appointed as Clan Macfie delegate to the Queensland Clans Congress in 1991 and has served as its Secretary since 1993. He is also an experienced piper and proposed and conducts our Society's annual John Dunmore Lang Poetry Prize.

The Celtic Honour, which carries the post-nominals of "D.Ua" was conferred on Bob at the Clan Macfie Day Celtic Dinner in Brisbane on 27th May this year by Mr. Peter Alexander CMG OBE OAM UP CtuC of Sydney, Convenor of the Celtic Council of Australia and Vice-President of the Scottish Australia Heritage Council. The Celtic Honour, "Cyfaill y Celtaid" was conferred on Mr. Bill Hanley of Brisbane, past president of the Queensland Irish Association.

#### VICE-PRESIDENT PETER MCPHEE

Society Vice-President Peter McPhee (V77-373) of Nunawading, Vic., has moved on in his occupation as a real estate agent and valuer. He is now with Peter Parkes Real Estate, 906-908 Doncaster Road, Doncaster, Vic. 3109 (Tel: 03 9840-1111). With over 30 years experience in the industry, he specialises on the commercial and industrial side.



# CLAR MACFIE REUS

From - Clan Commander A. C. (Sandy) McPhie c/- Clan Macfie Secretariat "Colonsay" MS 191, Cambooya. Q. 4358 AUSTRALIA

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JULY 1995

INTERNATIONAL GATHERING OF CLAN MACFIE, ATLANTA, GA. U.S.A. 16-23 OCTOBER 1995. Gathering Co-ordinator, Ken McFee, mailed an updating bulletin in mid June to over 100 members who have indicated their intention to attend the Gathering, and to Clan Society Secretaries. It called for firm bookings for functions etc., and for deposit cheques to be forwarded. Please give these your early attention. The Gathering is being hosted by the MacFie Clan Society of North America and is being held in conjunction with the Stone Mountain Highland Games. I will be attending the Gathering in my capacity as Clan Commander and look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible. Further information is available from Ken at P.O. Box 86, Moreland, GA 30259-0086, U.S.A., Telephone 404 251-2813.

12th CLAN MACFIE GATHERING AND 7th CLAN PARLIAMENT, SCOTLAND 23 MAY TO 2 JUNE 1997
Planning is well in hand for our next Clan Parliament and Gathering in Scotland.
Dates have necessarily been adjusted slightly due to school holidays. Current planning is on the following lines:-

Fri 23 May - Assemble in Aviemore

Sat 24 May to - Clan Parliament, Clan functions, local tours and

Tue 27 May activities

Wed 28 May - PARTY 1, to Colonsay

- PARTY 2, Tour, o/night Inverness
- PARTY 2, Tour, o/night Fort William

Fri 30 May - PARTY 1, Leave Colonsay in evening, o/night Oban

PARTY 2, Tour, to Colonsay in evening

Sat 31 May - PARTY 1, Tour, o/night Fort

William

Sun O1 Jun - PARTY 1, Tour, o/night

Inverness

Mon 02 Jun - PARTY 2, leave Colonsay

to o/night Glasgow PARTY 1, Tour, o/night

Glasgow

The urgent need now is for some indication of likely numbers attending. If you are at all interested in being there please let the corordinators, Iain and Fiona in Scotland know as soon as possible, (and your Clan Society Secretary) indicating if you are interested in attending, hope to attend or are a firm starter, and your preference if any, for touring in Party 1 or Party 2, or for not touring at all. Iain and Fiona's address is: Coulintyre, Kincraig, Kingussie, PH21 1LX Scotland. Tel: 540 651-391

Right: Piper Gary MacPhie and wife Barbara, of Singapore, at a Scottish Gathering in Medan, Indonesia. They move this month to Taiwan where Gary has taken up a position at the Taipei American School.



#### CALIFORNIA HIGHLAND GAMES, 2/3 SEPTEMBER 1995

The Caledonian Club of San Francisco will be holding their 130th Annual Scottish Gathering and Games at Pleasanton, CA., on 2nd and 3rd September this year. A full programme of events is scheduled and a Clan Macfie tent will be there. If you are a likely visitor or require further information, contact Mrs. Jeri Chester, 1334 23rd Avenue, San Francisco, CA. 94122. Tel: 415 665-1369.

#### 250th ANNIVERSARY OF GLENFINNAN LANDING AND CULLODEN

The 250th anniversary of Bonnie Prince Charlie's Jacobite uprising will be celebrated by The National Trust for Scotland at two functions during the next ten months.

<u>Sat, 19th August 1995</u> - Anniversary of the Prince's landing at Glenfinnan, near Fort William. A MacPhee was one of the Prince's standard bearers there. Clan Macfie Society members in Scotland will be attending this function immediately before the Glenfinnan Highland Games - thirty at the last count.

Tue, 16th April 1996 - A commemorative service will be held at Culloden. Clan Macfie members fought - and died - with the Camerons on that fateful day. It is expected our Clan will be represented - details later.

For further information contact Iain McFie, Coulintyre, Kincraig, Kingussie, PH21 1LX Scotland. Tel: 540 651-391.

#### 1995 WORLD PORRIDGE MAKING CHAMPIONSHIPS, 10th SEPTEMBER

The second World Porridge Making Championships will be held in Carr-Bridge, the home of the Championships, just 24 miles south of Inverness, on Sunday 10th September this year. In the world championships, the porridge can only be made in the traditional way from oatmeal, not oat flake . (Real "burgoo", that is!). The championship is open to both professionals and amateurs with the winner being named World Porridge Making Champion and receiving the Golden Spurtle as the prize. There is also a specialty class in which competitors can add ingredients (whisky perhaps?) to vary the taste. Visitors are welcome as competitors or spectators - for further information contact Brenda Maison at Fairwinds Hotel, Carr-Bridge, Inverness-shire, PH23 3AA Scotland. Tel/Fax: 01479-841240.

#### CLAN MACFIE SOCIETIES GENERAL MEETINGS

New Zealand - Last AGM was on 30th April 1995

Sweden - Triennial General Meeting was on 1 Jul 95

MacDuffee/Macfie - AGM 6/9 Jul 95, Linville, NC.

Cathey - 33rd Triennial Family Reunion, 5/6 Aug 95, Charlotte, NC.

MacFie, Nth America - AGM, 16/23 Oct 95, Atlanta, GA., plus Clan Gathering

Scotland - AGM, 25 Nov 95, Glasgow

Australia - Biennial GM, 25/26 May 96, Brisbane, Q.

Canada - The new national Clan Society is still in the consolidating stage - no dates known at present, for an AGM.

#### PROPOSED SALE OF COLONSAY HOTEL

There has been a steady showing of interest by Clan members worldwide in the proposed sale of Colonsay Hotel. Numbers at present are below the minimum required to consider putting a proposal together. However, this may well change as members continue to indicate an interest in becoming involved. Any offer from Clan members would necessarily be as a business undertaking with, finally, a company being formed as a separate entity from that of Clan Macfie, though composed of Clan members. This aspect is being handled by Iain McFie in Scotland and if you are interested in becoming an investor please contact him at your earliest convenience at Coulintyre, Kincraig, Kingussie, PH21 1LX Scotland. Tel: 540 651-391.

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#### THE CLANSMAN

There is no greater loyalty, than one clansman for another,

The bond will be the same, as though he were his brother. We wouldn't have it any other way, The Scot who never fails, to proudly wear his kilt. Because they stem, from Colonsay. Proves that the breed, is strong and handsome built.

The greatest Clansman group, that anyone could see,
Is one, that is a part, of the great Clan MACFIB
her. We wouldn't have it any other way,
Because they stem, from Colonsay.

Ken McAlee,

209 Westfield Dr. Battle Creek, M1 49015 U.S.A.

#### THE THORBURNS IN SWEDEN ARE "FORMALLY" ACCEPTED

In Sweden, Clan Macfie is represented by the Thorburn-Macfie Family Society which was founded in 1937. Members are descendants of William Thorburn and Jessy Macfie who migrated there early last century. Following my visit to Sweden in 1991, I investigated ways and means of formally recognising the Thorburn connection there with Clan Macfie. The obvious way, that of proclaiming Thorburn as a Sept of Clan Macfie was not really an option as the many Thorburns in Scotland have little or no connection with our Clan. The traditional Bonds of Manrent appeared cumbersome as separate bonds would be required for each person. A Deed of Acceptance met the need I feel, and (copy below) issued under my seal accepts all descendants of William and Jessy Thorburn who wish to show allegiance, as full members of Clan Macfie. I was delighted to complete this Deed, recognising and formally welcome our "new" members.



CLAN TREASURER NEVELL McPHEE OF TOOWOOMBA, Q. AUSTRALIA

From the Cathey's Newsletter "Kith & Kin"

A Place of Kith and Kin They say, So Sure it is no Sin

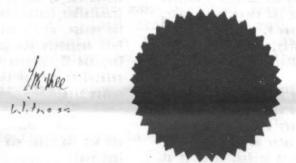
If when They Go To Cousin Us They "Kith" us if They Kin

Luey M. Cobb 1913

DEED OF ACCEPTANCE by the Ceann-Cath of Clan Macfie in favour of the Descendants of William Thorburn and Jessy Macfie of Sweden as Members of the Clan Macfie

UNTO ALL AND SUNDRY whom These Presents Do or May concern, I, Alexander Carpendale McPhie of Cambooya, in the State of Queensland, Australia, Ceann-Cath of the Honourable Clan Macfie, send Greeting: Whereas it has been represented to me that the Descendants of William Thorbutn (both 12th September 1780, died 9th Pebruary 1851) and Jessy Macfie (born 1st September 1790, died 14th August 1863) of Sweden, have established over a number of Generations, close, harmonious and related Pamily Ties with Clan Macfie, NOW therefore, I, after due consideration and investigation, being well satisfied as to the Good Qualities of the said Descendants and their Fitness for Membership of Clan Macfie, do extend such membership to all who desire and give their Allegiance to Clan Macfie, and 1 Ordain that this Deed of Acceptance shall continue so long as it shall subsist and shall not have been recalled.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have Subscribed the Presents and the Seal of My Office is affixed hereto at Cambooya this Seventh day of June in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety Pive before Witness Lorraine McPhee of Toowoomba, Australia.



Sandy Unchie Cean Cath

#### GEORGE ALFRED MCPHEE

With sorrow I record the death of George McPhee of Canada, a strong supporter of Clan Macfie from the early days of its reconstitution in Canada. A brother of Sylvia and Jean, George was well known to many Clan members outside Canada through his participation in Clan Parliaments in 1981, 83, 85 and 87, and will be sadly missed.

#### SWITZERLAND ANYBODY?

Colonsay '93 visitor, Aileen Mauracher of Switzerland, and family have moved recently to Burgunderweg 1, CH-4313, Möhlin, (Tel: 061 851-2415) and would be pleased to see any Clan visitors in the area - they're close to the Rhine, 40 minutes from Zurich.

MCPHEE
George Alfred McPhee, C. D. Suddenly, in his 78th year, at his Cherryhill residence on Monday, April 24, 1995. Beloved brother of Mrs. Connie Cussons and her husband Bill or Toronto, Mrs. Sheelagh Riggin and her husband John of Grand Bend, Sylvia M. McPhee of Toronto, and Jean E. McPhee of Ottawa. Dearly loved uncle and greatuncle. He will be sorely missed by his family and many friends. Visitation in the Needham Funeral Chapel, 520 Dundas Street, (Thursday 4-7 PM) where the funeral and committal service will be conducted on Friday, April 28th at 1:30 PM. Archdeacon D. Ian Grant of St. George's Anglican Church officiating. Cremation and interment of ashes Mount Pleasant Cemetery. Memorial contributions to the Heart & Stroke Foundation of Ontario, the Canadian Diabetes Association, or Save the Children Canada would be appreciated.

#### THE FALKLANDS CONNECTION

Following an item in an Australian newspaper, Terence McPhee, Chairman of the Falkland Islands Committee, was placed on the Clan News mailing list. This interesting letter from his mother, Marj, shows there is quite a "Macfie" presence down there in the bottom of the South Atlantic.

My son Terence has received a couple of the Clan News from you, and as he seems always to be very busy, has suggested that I should write to you instead. I will try to give you some news of our Palklands side of the family. My husband is Owen, who is 76, and I am Marjorie, known as Marj. We have been married over 43 years. We have Terence who is just 42, Ian who will be 41 in August and Natalie who is 29. Terence (an electrician) is married to Sheila and has two grown children, Justin 22 and Sara 20 past.

Ian is married to Wendy, a girl from England, he is a pilot, with Jersey European Airways. He is at present based in Belfast, flying mainly to UK cities, and of course the Channel Islands, and sometimes during the summer charter flights to the Med. They have no children. Natalie works for our Development Corporation, she married Colin Smith last year, and as yet have no family.

Owen's father Alexander (Sandy) came from Perth to the Falklands as a young man, I am not sure when, although I know he was on a ship called the "Oravia", which was wrecked on what is called the BILLY ROCKS, just outside the entrance to our outer harbour. That was in 1912. Luckily all were saved, due it was said, to the skill and bravery of a Captain Thomas, who skippered a small steam engined salvage ship. I am not sure if that was his first time here, but expect it may have been. I know he also had two brothers who came out later, one of them, Donald, also married here, but returned to England in 1936, with a family. Owen's father married a Letitia Carey, they had two children, Owen and three years later, Gladys. His mother died when he was 6, so he was brought up mostly by his Grandmother Carey, who also was left with two children of another daughter who died young.

Owen thinks his father may well have been engaged on contract work originally, as he was a mason and was on the building of a try-works factory at Goose Green, the largest farm on the Islands, and later on the building of the Bodie Creek Bridge, a suspension bridge, which is at the moment under a lot of discussion, as it is now in a bad state of repair, and apparently would require a great deal of money spent on it. After marriage he worked in Stanley, our only town, but returned to the farms after his wife died, leaving the children with the Grandmother. He died at Port Howard, a large farm on West Falklands, during the 39/45 war, and was buried there. As Owen was on active service at the time, and there was no means of getting to the other Island except when a boat was going he was not able to be at his father's funeral.

Owen had an Uncle Jimmy, who for years ran the Perthshire Advertiser, and two or three Aunts, who also lived in the Perth area, although we think the family originally was from Glasgow, and moved to Perth after his father and Uncle Donald were born. Owen's father, Uncle Donald and Uncle Jimmy all played the bagpipes - older members of Stanley say it was like the Pied Piper with Uncle Donald playing on the streets and all the children following along, behind him.

My grandfather McCallum, also came to the Islands from Scotland, and married here, but he died before I was born, and my father died when I was 7 so again I know nothing about his family, which is sad, as we probably have cousins still in Scotland. I think one of the reasons there were a lot of Scots out here, and I would say in the 1800's most of the people who came were Scottish, was because as part of a scheme to farm the Islands, people who had arrived and taken very large portions of land were encouraged to have more sheep by being able to bring out a shepherd and his family for each 1000 sheep they owned. Maybe that wasn't the exact figure, but that's how it worked, and so these families came, but of course, in most cases, it was a one way passage and they never saw their families again.

My Mother's family certainly came that way. My great, great Grandfather Fell arrived, we think, in 1860 with a wife and 4 children, to have another 5 here, I have a very old birthday book, which records the last one born in Scotland 1859, and the next born here 1861. I think to have left home with a family on one of those quite small sailing ships, must have taken guts, but as my mother's cousin once said to me, she thought they were driven out by the Scottish Clearances. I know my great Grandfather Coutts came with sheep, to look after them on the voyage, so I'm told, and of course married one of the Fell daughters who had actually been born in Scotland. They had 15 children as did one of her sisters, so I am related to half of the islands, where Owen only has one cousin here.

Owen's cousin, Angus, lives in Vancouver, Canada, and his son, Ian, was at the Macfie Gathering on Colonsay last year.

I still work at the Stanley Post Office, I don't have to retire until January 1998, but will probably do so sooner. We would quite like to visit Australia and New Zealand, but I hate flying, (how I could breed a pilot I don't know!!), so really the ideal time to do that would be when I retire, but we will just have to wait and see. Owen went to work on the farm where his father was cook, when he was a lad, and later went back to a farm on Bast Falklands as a teacher/farm bookkeeper. After we married we spent 20 years between farms, and then came to Stanley, where we have been since. Owen also worked in the Post Office until he retired in 1987.

#### DO WE NEED A NAME?

Now, 21 years down track from our first copy, the question has been raised "Do we need a name for our Newsbulletin?" Many Clan Societies, as well as Clan Macfie ones overseas, have names for their publications. The Clan Macfie Society in Scotland has just named (very aptly) their publication "The Galley". The MacDuffee/Macfies in U.S.A. have "Clan Chatter", the Thorburn-Macfies in Sweden use "Släktkrönikan" (what does that translate to, Ulf?) The MacFie Clan Society of North America uses "Newsbeat" and the now defunct MacPhee Clan Society of the United States, based in Hawaii, used "Tradewinds and Gaels" for their name. The Catheys in U.S.A. have named their publication "Cathey Kith and Kin" while the new national Clan Society in Canada uses "The Torch". All are well thought out and pertinent names. Do we need something more upmarket than "Newsbulletin?.....What do you think?.....and suggest? Please let Secretary Helen know.

#### VOGUE LIVING PROFILE - JACQUIE MCPHEE OF PERTH

The Dec 93/Jan 94 copy of Vogue Living carried the following Profile article by Nancy Berryman on Perth designer and Clan member Jacquie McPhee, who trades as Jacquie McPhee Interiors, 205 Stirling Highway, Claremont, W.A. (Phone (09) 383-1372).

"Perth designer <u>Jacquie McPhee</u> is never at a loss when it comes to decorating the houses of her clients with the furniture of their dreams. If she can't find what they want, she simply turns to Perth furniture maker Greg Sherwood

and together they create exactly what is required.

For 17 years they've been producing their "one-off" versions of old French, Italian and Spanish country-style furniture, which have become Jacquie's decorating signature. Now they've gone a step further and produced a range of around 20 of their most requested items, from candlesticks to armoires, with an assortment of beds, bureaux, tables and chairs in between. Based on pieces that McPhee and Sherwood have found, they are made with the help of a team of

craftsmen skilled in European techniques.

McPhee sees the range as a showcase for sherwood's talents. In particular, she's impressed by the finish of his work and the time-consuming methods he uses to achieve it. "Most of the pieces are hand-carved. He uses grains of marble and stone to gently age the wood by wearing away the soft parts, then the wood is bleached and coloured - we can make even red jarrah look like French walnut' - and finished with wax." The range includes wrought iron tables as well as upholstered pieces, including another staple of the McPhee look, the wing chair.

The launch of their first range won't mean the end of special one-offs. They're currently making display cases for businessman Kerry Stokes's new art gallery, and will also customise any item in their range."



#### AUDITOR'S REPORTS

The following reports were received from our Clan Society and Clan Auditors on completion of audits of the respective financial statements for the 1994 year.

Clan Society "We advise that we have completed the audit of the books and records of the Clan (sic) as at 31st December 1994 and in our opinion the Statement of Receipts and Expenditure fairly represents the activities of the Clan for the year." (Clark Morton & Gleeson, Public Accountants, Toowoomba, Q.)

Clan "We have examined the records of the CLAN MACFIE for the year ended 31st December 1994 from the books and records presented to us. It is our opinion that the attached Capital, Project and Working Fund Statements give a true and fair view of the Clan's activities for the said year." (Power, Tynan & Co. Pty. Ltd., C.P.A., Oakey, Q.)

## GENEALOGICAL AND HISTORICAL NOTES

#### PHEE RELATIVES IN SCOTLAND

Trevor Phee (N87-720) of Hamilton, N.S.W., has been researching his family tree for some years. Inevitably his search moved to Scotland to try to locate any family members there. And he did!

"It all started about three years ago. Given that my great-great-grandparents were married in the town of Airdrie and all 10 of their children were born in the town as well, that is where I started. I wrote to the Airdrie Town Library and asked them for a copy of the local phone book showing Phees, which they did and the book showed about twenty or so Phees listed. I wrote to them over a period of time and received only two replys. The first one was not related but wished me success in my search. The second was related. He was a grandson of my great-great-grandparents. He in turn sent my letter on to two of his nieces, a Mrs. Mary Munro who lives just outside of Lockerbie and a Mrs. Nella Cawthorne who lives in the south of Wales.

My original contact, Mr. Peter Phee, sadly passed away last October, aged 88 years. However he has an older sister and a younger borther who are still alive and living in Canada. The sister is 94 years old and recently re-married. The brother is 86 years old and for some reason has just put a "Mc" in front of his surname. This family comes from my great grandfather's youngest brother. His name was Peter Phee. He was born in 1869 and was the ninth of the ten children. My great grandfather, William Phee, was the fourth of the ten children. He was born in 1860.

Last July/August Neville Phee (N77-236) and his wife Sonia, of Cooma, went over to England for a holiday. I had given them Mrs. Mary Munro's address near Lockerbie. Neville and Sonia called in and met Mary, and she was ecstatic, to say the least. She gave Neville and Sonia family (her's) photos and documents (which are originals) to give to me on their return. On the 28th of December I phoned Mary in Scotland just to say thank you for what she sent me. We talked for about half an hour. Neville and myself are first cousins. We are second cousins to Mary."

## THE HUNTER VALLEY MCPHEES

On 21st May this year, a number of "Hunter Valley" McPhees attended the <u>Clan Gathering at the Mt. Vincent</u> home of Clan Commissioner in Australia, Sandy McPhee (N74-012) and his wife, Clan Society Historian, Norah (N74-052). The following report is from Norah.

"N.S.W. Vice-President Geoff McPhee (N77-339) and wife Ruth (N77-340) of Lugarno N.S.W. welcomed 13 of their family who originated from the Scone district. Geoff's 91 year old mother, Ethel Hope McPhee (N84-548) [daughter of Joseph and Sarah Wallbank] came with son Bill and his wife Anne who still farm near Scone. family have a long tradition of good horsemanship and cattle breeding in the Hunter, working for the White family of "Belltrees" for many years and owning adjacent farms. Ethel clearly remembers most of their family history and is the much loved matriarch of the descendants of the two John McPhees -- one from Glenelg on the "William Nichol" in 1837 with parents John and Sarah [McPherson], the other from Fort William in Lochaber, parents Donald McPhee and Jane [Cameron], These families intermarried and had large families, making an interesting study/for Ruth and for Jayne Webster (N95-879) of Adamstewn Heights, who brought her parents, Jim and Iris McPhee, and also Bill and Margaret Cuming, of the Bushy Hill side of the family. Ruth and Jayne are both doing great research work, helped by Ethel. The Rev. Leslie McPhee and Joyce brought their daughter, Kaye Worley and grandaughter, Helen, from Sunshine on Lake Macquarie, and Bruce Agland came from Thornton near Maitland.

Representing the "Phee" family who came to Cessnock from the "Stirlingshire" in 1882 were Trevor Phee (N89-720) and his father, Richard. Trevor has published two books on this family and held a meeting of about 150 Phee descendants two years ago in Cessnock. They came from all points north and south, and from New Zealand - a great effort by this excellent family historian. Our local Mulbring Valley historian, Brian Andrews, who is President of the Cessnock Historical Society, met Trevor for the first time and had a great talk. This is an area where many Scottish

migrants came in the 1830s and 1840s, to work as farmhands and servants at first, and then moving North to the Clarence River and to Queensland, sometimes, when land was offered to them there.

Last, but not least, we happily welcomed Brian and Merilyn McPhee (S74-005 and S94-861) from Adelaide. They came with their Sydney based son, Angus, and his friend Anne McCarthy, and were our overnight guests. Brian belongs to a family who came to Tasmania in 1855 on the "Conway" with children Daniel and Edward. their eldest son, Matthew, joined them from Paisley. He was a schoolteacher and moved to South Australia (Brian's g.g.grandfather). Daniel went to Victoria and was the ancestor of our late Seneschal, Charles Macphee, and his daughter, Kaye (V74-023), Clan Society Vice-President in Victoria.

Brian and Merilyn went to the large meeting of McPhees on the island of Colonsay last year, as did Geoff and Ruth also. So this was a day of reunions and of new people becoming a part of the "family". The conversation never flagged and

the Historians had a field day.

We thank all who came and expect everyone to keep in touch - remember, the door is always open and the kettle on the boil."

#### COLONSAY HOTEL SALE

The owners of the Hotel on Colonsay placed it on the market earlier this year. This, naturally, is of interest to Clan members worldwide and a move has been made to test the level of interest amongst members to see if purchasing the Hotel might be a proposition.

The asking price is UK£375,000. We are looking at the possibility of forming a company, based in Scotland, to purchase and manage the Hotel with share or debenture holders being asked to contribute in multiples of £1,000. Are you interested at all? If so, please contact Secretary Helen for further details.

#### DONATIONS RECEIVED

Generous donations by members and their families to Clan Society and Clan funds since the last Newsbulletin are acknowledged with sincere thanks.

General Fund: Mrs. Vi McFie, Maryborough, Q.; Miss Ruth McPhee, Kew, Vic.; John McPhee MBE, Hawthorn East. Vic.; Dr. Ian McPhee, Bundoora, Vic.; Mrs. Joyce Hook, West Albury, N.S.W.; Dr. John McPhie, Beaumont, S.A.; Dr. Cameron McPhee, Corinda, Q.; Mrs. Pat Chapman, Kew, Vic.; Mrs. Bobbie James, Boynton Beach, FL., U.S.A.; Ross McPhee, Main Ridge, Vic.; Mrs. Esma McCarthy, Lismore, N.S.W.

Trust Account: Mrs. Florence Fitzpatrick, Springwood, N.S.W.; Mrs. Lorna Smith, Arundel, Q.; Mrs. Mary Nicholson, Tuart Hill, W.A.

J. D. Lang Poetry Prize: Mrs. Dorothy McPhee, Bell, Q.; Eddie Fee, Kenmore, Q.

Clan Society Travel Fund: Ian McPhee, Toowoomba, Q.; Miss Suzie McPhee, Duncraig, W.A.; Margaret Heffernan, Narara, N.S.W.

Clan Travel Fund: Alex Jupp, (Canada) Churchlands, W.A.; Mrs. Gwen McPhee, Lower Templestowe, Vic.; Allen Miller, Olathe, KS., U.S.A.; Harvey McPhee Esq., Truro, Canada; Robert Young, Inverness, Scotland.

Clan Working Account: Allan McCarthy, Lismore, Q.

Standing Stone Maintenance: Prof. Peter McPhee, Abbotsford, Vic.; Mrs. Elizabeth Warren, Balaclava, Vic.; Miss Beryl McPhie, Croydon, Vic.; Gary MacPhie, Singapore; Ross McPhee, Main Ridge, Vic.; John McPhie, Penrith, N.S.W.; Carol Cameron, Leeton, N.S.W.; Mrs. Miriam McFee, Noble Park, Vic.

Clan Project Fund: Alec McPhee, Hamilton, N.S.W.; Mrs. Nella Rutledge, Burwood, Vic.; Bruce McPhie, North Balwyn, Vic.; Philip Mackey, Frankston, Vic.

Clan Capital Fund: Mrs. Gladys McIntosh, Glenside, S.A.; Brabara McPhee Knowles, Ryde, N.S.W.

#### DAVID MORGAN AND THE CLAN HISTORY COMMITTEE

David lives in Solihull, England, but his roots go back through the Isle of Man to Northern Ireland. His great-great-grandfather, James McFee was born there in 1796 and married Elinor Shimmin on 6th July 1816 at Kirk Michael to found the Isle of Man branch of Clan Macfie. David writes:-

"History plays a great part in all of our individual genealogical research, especially when large population movements are involved. It is ironic therefore that a country like Ireland, that has so much historical information is so sadly lacking in genealogy. The main reason was the destruction of the records held in the Four Courts, Dublin in that infamous year, 1922.

Those who give undue prominence to Scottish regalia of recent vintage must occasionally spare a thought for their older Irish cousins, particularly as our nomenclature embraces variants of the original DHUBHTHAIGH (pronounced Duffy), of Celtic or Irish descent, and of great ecclesiastical importance.

The name crops up mainly in Armagh, the See of Irish Christianity and spread to Tain in Scotland, where ST. DUTHACH (1000-65) was eventually revered by Kings. The name DUFACIUS features on Oronsay stones, surely all forerunners of CLAN McDUFFIE, rather than DHUBHSIDHE, a mere Lector on a fading Iona in 1164.

Fortunately the Clan Genealogy Committee has not been standing still, and representations have produced a list of Irish residents interested in our Clan, chief of whom are Dr. Bill Macafee of 55 Portstewart Road, Coleraine, Co. Londonderry BT52 1RR, who has stored an incredible list from books; Hearth Returns, etc., and Giles Carter, who is doing the same exercise for the MacDuffee/Macfie Clan Society of America. No doubt all of this work has been done before so anyone with Historical and/or Genealogical information should come forward to pool resources, especially details of sources which can be included in my Clan Bibliography.

I have been concentrating on trying to tie any historical loose ends in the Clan Story, starting with the Siol Alpin Confederation, a family organisation consisting of seven Scottish Clans - Grant; MacAulay; MacGregor; MacKinnon; MacNab; MacQuarrie and Macfie.

The famous MS 1450 quoted in "Collectanea de Rebus Albanicus" gives a common source for these Clans. They originated from sons of one CORMAC, Bishop of Dunkeld, son of AIRBERTAGH. All the facts seem to indicate that Cormac was related to King MacBeth of Shakespeare fame and the Clan Macfie is descended from Erc, founder of the Scottish Dal Riata in 474 AD, and we are all of early Irish descent."

David's address is 11 Arden Drive, Dorridge, Solihull, West Midlands, B93 8LP England (Telephone and Fax 01564 774020)

#### MACFIE/DUFFY NAMES IN THE U.K.

David Morgan has produced two lists, in chronological order, of early Macfie and Duffy births, deaths and marriage registrations in the U.K.. One is IGI - Macfie - Scotland/Ireland/Isle of Man - 1643 to 1846 - 5 pages, and the other is Non IGI - Duffy - Scotland/Ireland/Isle of Man - 1583 to 1858 - 6 pages. These are available from Secretary Helen at a cost of \$7.00 each posted, or \$11.00 for both.

#### ANY QUERIES?

\* Lisa McPhee of 20 Bell Road, Rotorua, New Zealand is seeking information on her great-great-grandfather, Alexander McPhee, who married Sarah Ann Prider, date unknown. One of their children was Alber Prider McPhee, b. 13 Dec 1883 at Hamilton, Vic.. He died 29 Oct 1932 in Tauranga, N.Z. Any information direct to Lisa please, with a copy to Secretary Helen for the Clan History if you would.

#### CLAN SOCIETY FUND RAISING

Clan Society Vice-President, Peter McPhee (V77-373) of Nunawading, Vic., and Victoria Vice-President Kaye Macphee (V74-023) of Ferntree Gully, Vic., have been exploring avenues of fundraising for the Clan Society. One of the obvious ways is to market a series of Clan Macfie merchandise. In this regard the following quotes have been obtained from various manufacturers.

Badges, enamelled, 30mm: 220 - \$6.00 ea. 300 - \$4.70 ea. 500 - \$4.00 ea.

Key Rings: as above but 50¢ extra in each case

Embroidered Badges: 50mm for T shirts:

100 - \$5.20 ea. 300 - \$3.00 ea. 500 - \$2.50 ea.

85mm for Blazers:

100 - \$8.10 ea. 300 - \$5.40 ea. 500 - \$4.50 ea.

Tartan: \$80.00 per metre, middle weight, woven in Scotland. Minimum quantity order of 30 metres - a kilt takes 3½ metres (4 yards) of cloth.

The problem now is that we do not have the funds to finance any of the necessary initial bulk purchases of the above items. If any members are willing to assist in this regard, please contact Secretary Helen.

Available on order now. Custom designed and professionally produced jewellery from a prominent Victorian Jeweller: 9 ct gold with silver inlay \* Family Heirlooms - Gent's Dress Ring - \$700.00, Lapel Badge - \$220.00, Cuff Links -\$495.00, Ladies Brooch - \$220.00, Tie Pin - \$220.00.

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#### GENERAL NOTES

Jennifer Smith (Q93-799) of Arundel, Q., returned home in May after a lengthy stay in Canada.

Gwen Duff (Q90-739) of Noosa, Q., left on a visit to America and Canada in late June.

Bruce McPhie (V75-096) of Melbourne, Vic., is just back from a visit with his son, Malcolm, in Dubai. \*

Congratulations and good wishes to Malcolm McPhie (V75-145) of Mirboo North, Vic., who was 95 in late

February and has been married over 70 years.

Tasmania V-P, Jocelyn McPhie (Z86-568) of Hobart, was away earlier in the year, in the Pilbara in Western Australia, and north Queensland, in relation to her work as a geologist.

S.A. V-P Ian McPhee (S78-387) and wife Barbara (S79-459) of Kidman Park in Adelaide spent May and June in the U.S., while daughters Anthea (S78-388) and Louise Brook (S78-390) leave early July for separate

trips to the UK and Europe.

Bessie McPhee (V76-147) of Ivanhoe, Vic., is one of our busy members. In addition to being up to date with our Clan Society affairs, Bessie is a member of Royal Caledonian Society, the Royal Overseas League, the Royal Society of St. George, the Victoria League and Clan Cameron Society in Melbourne.

Of Doubtful Value - if all the bottles of Scotch Whisky made in a year were placed end to end they stretch around the world times!.....Did you hear of the Provost (Mayor) of a certain city in Scotland being in hospital for a serious operation? He received the following get well message from the Corporation (Council) - "At its meeting to-day the entire corporation wished you

#### Outback in Scotland

At 44 Ratclife Terrace, Edinburgh, Scotland, stands the Out-back Restaurant operated by George Wright.

The restaurant was discovered by the manager of Outback Queensland Tourism Authority. Peter Nicholls on a recent UK promotions tour.

George has never been to Australia, but when he and his sister decided to open a restaurant they found that one ethnic group was being neglected - Australians.

So they opened an Australian restaurant with items on the menu like reef fish and Australian beef.

They have since been made honorary members of the Outback Tourism Authority for a year which entitles them to put a sticker on their window.

On returning to his Blackall headquarters Peter sent a series of Outback Queensland brochures to Mr Wright and Queensland Rail have also sent posters.

a speedy recovery by a vote of 62 to 47".........This couldn't be at St. Andrews (maybe) but a golf course over there is said to have the following sign prominently displayed "Players are kindly requested not to pick up lost balls until they have stopped rolling"......St. Andrew came through the Pearly Gates and thanked God for all he had given Scotland - Majestic mountains, purple Glens, soaring eagles, streams laden with salmon, heather, whisky, haggis...the lot. "Perhaps I've been over generous" the Almighty replied. "Not so" said St. Andrew "Look at the neighbours you gave us!"

Ruby McFee of Alcoa, TN. U.S.A., wife of F.B. (Z94-876) and mother of Ken, this year's Clan Gathering Co-ordinator, has recently had a hip replacement

operation - and, no doubt, will be in fine form by October!

Melbourne phone numbers have gone up market - they now have eight numerals, the additional one being achieved by placing a "9" in front of the existing number. Society Vice-President, Peter McPhee's number is now 9874-1460 and Vice-President in Victoria, Kaye Macphee's number is now 9758-4458.

Riddle-o-Pedia News. Cheryl Threadgold (V77-289) of Black Rock, Vic., has moved into the mini-book publishing field. First out at a bookstore near you are her "My Little Riddle-o-Pedia of Sport", and "....of Ghosts" - 150 riddles

in each.

#### THEY'VE MOVED

Eve Mason (N74-020F) from Roseville, N.S.W. to 2/4-6 Gladstone Parade Lindfield, N.S.W. 2070

Donald McPhee (V76-175) from Marlo, Vic. to 58 Tantawanglo Street, Merimbula,

N.S.W. 2548

Gary MacPhie (Z93-806) from Singapore to Taipei American School, 800 Chung Shan N. Road, Section 6, Shihlin District, Taipei, Taiwan 111, where he is the Aquatic Director. \*

Bruce (N74-086), Hamish (N77-342) and John (N77-343) Macfie from Lane Cove,

N.S.W. to 563 South Dowling Street, Surry Hills, N.S.W. 2010.

\* John and Anne McPhie (N94-839 and 840) from Hebersham, N.S.W. to 18 Honeysuckle Avenue, Glenmore Park, Penrith, N.S.W. 2745.

\* Philip Mackey (V91-768) to a new address - 86 Fleetwood Crescent, still in Frankston, Vic. 3199

\* Colleen O'Keeffe (N90-735) from Abbotsford, N.S.W. to 71/87-97 McLachlan Ave., Rushcutters Bay, N.S.W. 2011

#### NEW MEMBERS

A warm welcome is extended to the following members who have joined the Clan Society since the last Newsbulletin was published:

095-880 Mrs. Olive Wearing, 22A Hunter St., Gatton, Q. 4343

V95-881 E. William Smith, 20 Raven Crescent, Fountaingate, Vic. 3805

V95-882 Peter McPhee, 87 Turner St., Abbotsford, Vic. 3067

N95-883. 884, 885, 886 and 887 Mrs Marie and Mr. Graham Smith and children, Daryl, Deborah and Darren of 4 Bogan Place, Woodbine, N.S.W. 2560

V95-888F Mrs. Gwen McPhee, 37 Eucalypt Ave., Lower Templestowe, Vic. 3107

N95-889 Mrs. Elizabeth McPhee Brady, 60 Myrtle St., Dorrigo, N.S.W. 2453

Q95-890 James Martin, 5 Barcelona St., Wishart, Q. 4122

095-891 Mrs. Jenny Hutchins, 84 Cardagan St., Carindale, Q. 4152

S95-892 and 893 Mrs. Valda and Mr. Sveta Ivanovich, 134 Smart Rd., St. Agnes, S.A. 5097

V95-894 Miss Glenda Walton, 35 Blenheim St., Balaclava, Vic. 3183