

# The Tartan



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## REPORT OF THE 1998 GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN HIGHLAND GAMES

by W. Troy McDougal

The 1998 Grandfather Mountain Highland games was marked by the most glorious weather, and the largest crowd we have seen in years. The weekend began when "Mad Max" McDougal carried the MacDougall torch to the "Fire on the Mountain" on Thursday evening.

Friday was a work day for the Society. Through Executive Committee and Board of Directors meetings, new bylaws were put into place that will allow Directors and Regional Commissioners to attend the board meeting by proxy, and guidelines were established to assist the Officers in the decision making for advancing money for special projects. Those affected by these actions will receive a letter about the procedures to follow to institute these changes. There were four positions up for election on the Board of Directors. The Board elected Jean Macdougall Horr and Phillips McDowell for two of those positions, and allowed the other two positions to remain unfilled. The Board also approved a \$500 donation to assist in the upkeep of Dunollie House, the current seat of our clan in Oban, Scotland.

The 34th Annual Meeting of the Clan MacDougall Society was held at 5:15 p.m., due to a last minute scheduling conflict with the meeting site. Thirty-three members and guest were present. After prayer by the Chaplain and Second Vice-President, Alan Miles MacDougall, everyone introduced themselves.

President Richard T. MacDougall reported that we have received over \$1,900 towards the Gylen Castle Repair fund this year through the efforts of quite a few special projects of the members. This money is in addition to the amounts received in the past years.



*Above: Officers of Clan MacDougall (left to right) W. Troy McDougal, William Ermitinger, Claud Baker, Sandra MacDougall, Richard MacDougall, Daniel MacDougall, Jim McDougal, Bill Leroy.*

According to President MacDougall, the society was represented at 59 Highland games and 26 other activities in 1997, including our first Clan MacDougall tent ever at a games in British Columbia, Canada through the efforts of Honorary President Fergus Macdowall of Garthland and Martin and Ruth MacDougall.

President MacDougall has asked Janet Wimer to be a new State Representative for the states of Iowa and Nebraska, and Fred MacDougall to be a new Upstate New York Representative. One of the ideas that President MacDougall is looking at, and instituting, is to cover the large and more populous states and provinces by splitting them into smaller more manageable units, and appointing representatives for those smaller divisions. A sec-

ond trend to assist in easing the burden of our representatives is to appoint Regional Co-Commissioners and State Co-Representatives. Our first Co-Regional Commissioners are Donald & Sandra MacDougall, Co-Commissioners of the Mid-Atlantic Region. The Clan has also had a boost in communications, both interior and exterior. The Society has added three periodicals to the list we advertise in, the Celtic Heritage, The Banner and Scottish Life. We also have a new brochure in the field which is also having a great impact getting our information out. Internet communications have greatly increased communications between the President and the other Officers, Regional Commissioners and Directors.

*Report continued on page 3...*



## The Editor's Desk

by Pat McDougal

**T**he games at Linville North Carolina, are very well attended. The tartan Kilts swing from every tent and parade.

The sounds of pipes and drums are so wonderful. The vendors do a booming business and the people are talking of the homelands. Many have visited Scotland and how that country holds all of us, is another wonder. 20,000 were in attendance daily, so the grounds were well walked. Many people are interested in there scot-tish connection and the MacDougall's are no exception.

The Society meeting is well attended and the MacDougall's, however spelled and sept families, are well represented. The dinner was a delightful dining experience, as my daughter-in-law puts it. If you have never experienced this meal at these games, put it on your "to do" list for next year. The "Address to the Haggis", is usually worth the price of the meal and the Piper, Betsy Hooper, makes up the difference. ☺

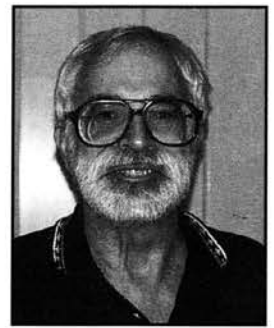
## Genealogy

by William C. Ermtinger,  
Clan Genealogist

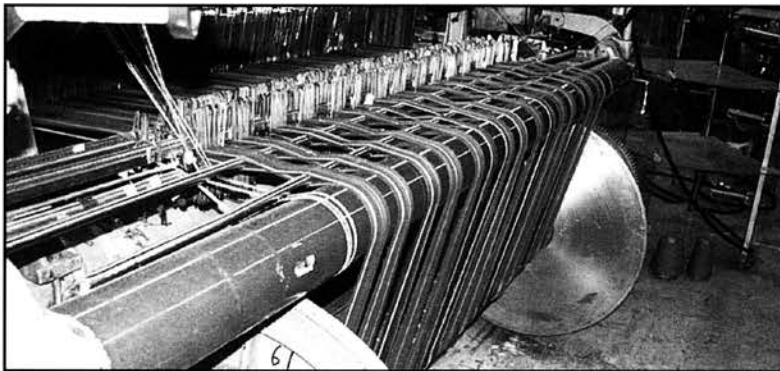
**M**any of you may be familiar with the publication "*The Highlander*". If not, it is one I would suggest you might try. Many articles are on Scotland, some of which are of interest to a genealogist. For example, an excellent column by Joseph J. Carr, in the July/August 1998 issue is a very informative commentary on "Where Did Your Name Come From?" Subscription is \$17.50 per year and the address is: *The Highlander*, PO Box 804806, Chicago IL 60680.

Another excellent publication is the "*Family Tree*" from the Ellen Payne Odom Library. This library is the official repository of information for our Clan and for most of the Clans of the United States. The paper is full of information and advertisements of interest to the genealogist. The best part is that it is free, but they do ask for donations to help cover mailing costs. The mailing address is: The Ellen Payne Odom Genealogy Library, PO Box 2828, Moultrie GA 31776.

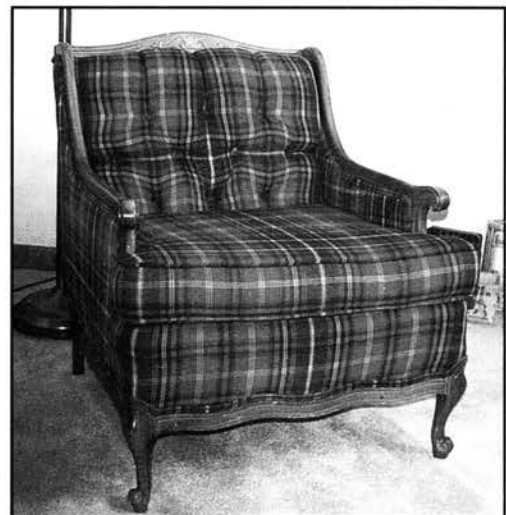
Do you have a favorite publication? Let me know so that we can share with our readers. ☺



The MacDougall modern, cotton twill material advertised in the last issue of *The Tartan* sold very well. The pictures below show the threads on the loom and the finished product coming off the opposite side. Also, pictured is a chair with the material, which sits today in my bedroom and is not for sale.



It has been a pleasure to work with Steve McCallum on this project and to supply this fabric to the clan members.



President MacDougal also informed the members that during his first year in office, 128 new members have joined the society, an increase of 17% from last year, the MacDougal Foundation has received \$1,260, an increase of 42% from last year, and the Gylen Castle Repair Fund has received \$1,921, an increase of 15% over last year.

William Ermatinger, Clan Genealogist, announced that he had presented and received approval by the board, the first ever duties of the Society Genealogist. These duties include receiving genealogical information from members, both in writing and through GEDCOM compatible databases, and providing that information to the Odom Library as well as providing electronic database search information to members on request. The Genealogist will also write a column for the *Tartan*, assist members doing genealogical research, and hold beginner genealogical seminars for groups of members on request and at their expense.

Pat McDougal, *Tartan* Editor, announced that the *Tartan* had received a Special Award for Exceptional Excellence from the *Family Tree* newsletter. She also requested that people send her information regarding any happening of the members, happy or sad. She said, "This is what will continue to make the *Tartan* interesting to all the members, and this is the only way to avoid having the *Tartan* filled with information about my family."

Following the Annual Meeting, and a social and cocktail hour, the MacDougalls were piped into the dining hall of the Eseeola Lodge and enjoyed a wonderful gourmet dinner and the violin stylings of Betsy Hooper who was also the piper.

The weekend ended on Sunday with the largest representation of MacDougall women ever walking in the parade of tartans. A good time was had by all. ☺

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

by Richard T. MacDougal



Dear Clanfolk everywhere,

Well, our time of year is here. The games have begun, and the gatherings are happening. Although Mother Nature is still having her say about how pleasant they will be. Our first games of the season in the NE, The Central Mass. HG, in Leicester, was a total washout, literally. We have gone way by the old record for rain in the first half of June. And I find myself frequently worried about our folks in Florida and Texas being constantly exposed to the smoke from those huge land fires. And the outside Highland Games could not be going well at all. (although we do not YET have MacDougall tents at any games in Texas, I keep hoping).

I am very proud of the success of the first ever international cooperation to run a Macdougall clan tent. It happened on May 17, when Martin & Ruth McDougall, our NW Reg. Commissioner, assisted Fergus Macdowall in hosting our first clan tent at the Victoria, BC Highland Games and it worked very well.

It seems like I spend a lot of my editorial time reminding you that we have to plan ahead. If you plan to attend any of our three day Clan Gathering and Area meeting at the NHHG at Loon Mountain, NH, Sept. 18-20, and plan to join us for dinner, Friday, the 18th., you have to make a separate reservation for the dinner so we know how many to order. Elsewhere in this issue you will find a reservation form and instructions on how to send your reservation and check to Doug and Sandy MacDougall, our NH State Representatives.

I would like to thank publicly our *Tartan* Editor, Pat McDougal, for her generous donation to the Gylen Castle Repair Fund - from the profits of the sale of new cotton tartan cloth. Creative thinking works!

Slainte mhor,

*Dick*

### The Howell Wedding

*Dennis and Virginia Korte  
and*

*Jim Howell and Patsy Howell  
announce the forthcoming marriage of*

*Samantha Rae Korte*

*to*

*Jeffrey Wayne Howell*

*October 3, 1998 at 3:30pm*

*At the Hawk and Ivy*

*Barnardsville, North Carolina*

*A piper will play before the ceremony  
The groomsmen will be in Scottish attire  
The bridesmaids in hunter green dresses  
The couple will reside in Ashville, NC*

# Our Clans People at Grandfather



*The A. Wylie McDougals*



**Left:** Regional Commissioners at the Games: Claud Baker, Kansas; Daniel & Sandra MacDougall, Mid-Atlantic; Richard MacDougal, Northeast; James McDougal, Southeast.



*Bill Leroy*



**Left:** Dinner Entertainment, Betsy Hooper

**Below:** The meeting at 5:00 p.m.



*John Kent Kane, II,  
John W. McDougal, & William Ernitingner*



**Left:** The table at the MacDougall Dinner

**Below:** The Social Hour



**Above:** James Hereford leads the



*Jean & Alan MacDougall*



*Don & Irene Stancik*



*Mr. & Mrs. Claud Baker, Jr.*



*David M*



# Mountain Highland Games 1998



*Above: The Pool Pavilion, Clan MacDougall Meeting Place.*

*Left: Simms McDowell, Jr. addresses the Haggis.*

*Below: Clan Tent*



*Jack & Nancy Kane*



*Carol McDougall*



*... clan in the Parade of Tartans.*



*Left:  
Megan  
Amorosi*



*Sandra & Daniel MacDougall  
Mid-Atlantic Co-Commissioners*



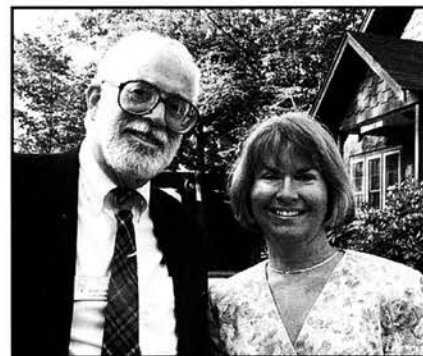
*...Dougal*



*Stanley & Marge Porter*



*Annette & Joe Rawls*



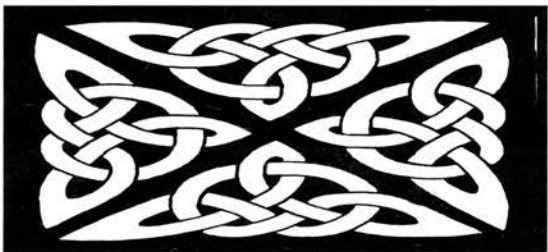
*William & Mary Jean Ermitinger*

# News from Games in Alabama



**Left:** Sarah Wilkinson McDougald Hereford, President of the Tennessee Valley Scottish Society, with the First Lady of the State of Alabama, Mrs. Fob (Bobby) James.

**Below:** Seen at the North Alabama Scottish Games in Huntsville, Alabama. The Birmingham Alabama Pipe BAnd wears the MacDougall ancient tartan kilt. The pipe major is Jamie Brooks-Hamilton (second from right). His father is MacDougall and his mother is McDowell. We are very proud indeed for this great band, good luck in the future.



## More from GMHG...



**Left:** Nathan Porter rests on his napping Dad, Mark Porter, as the heat has taken its toll.

**Right:** Malcom Macdougall takes first place in the kilted mile.

**Below:** Todd McDougal throws the 56 lb. weight for distance and participates in the caber toss. He placed 2nd in the Clan Challenge and 4th in the Senior Division.





# Clan MacDougall Society of North America

## NORTHEAST REGION



As an important part of its AREA meeting in conjunction with the New Hampshire Highland Games, the Northeast Regional officers will host a Cocktail Hour and Buffet Dinner, Friday Evening, September 18, 1998 at The Mill, Loon Mountain, Lincoln, New Hampshire.

Please return this reservation form with the number attending and your check payable to: Clan MacDougall Society for \$25.00 per person. (ASAP)

----- **Registration Form: Please Print** -----

Number Attending \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$25.00 ea. \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to:

J. Douglas MacDougall, 1 Linda Lane, Stratham, NH 03885

## Costa Mesa Games

Clan MacDougall soared in California at the Costa Mesa Games held at the Orange County Fairgrounds during Memorial Day Weekend. The tent was staffed by Leslye Howell and Darleen Weisz and accounted for 13 new members and 1 renewal. Signing the visitors book were nearly 60 MacDougalls. This was by far the most successful effort at any of the Southern California games. Leslye proved herself to be such an accomplished greeter, welcoming visitors with such enthusiasm, they just had to join our ranks! We also discovered that the Abbotsford Police Pipe Band from British Columbia wears the MacDougall tartan. It was a thrill to see such a fine band in our tartan. Why MacDougall? Well, maybe the fact that the band manager is retired Pipe Major Ian McDougall something to do with it. The next time they visit California we will extend our hospitality. 🍷

## More from GMHFG....



*Above: MacDougalls from all parts of the world enjoy the hospitality, conversation and shelter found at the Clan Tent.*



*Left: Earl G. and Dianne Prevost of Greenville, SC*

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## 1998 Highland Games & Gatherings

|             |                  |
|-------------|------------------|
| August 15   | Brunswick, ME    |
| August 22   | Kalamazoo, MI    |
| August 22   | Quechee, VT - ?  |
| August 29   | Newport, RI      |
| August 29   | Altamont, NY     |
| Sept. 5-6   | Pleasanton, CA   |
| Sept. 18-20 | McPherson, KS    |
| Sept. 17-20 | Lincoln, NH      |
| Sept. 19    | Alexandra, VA    |
| Sept. 19    | Charleston, SC   |
| Sept. 26    | Williamsburg, VA |

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