



CLAN DOUGLAS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA

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The first meeting of the Clan Douglas Association of Australia was held on December 3, 1986 in Brisbane.

The current elected committee is:

<i>PATRON:</i>	<i>Mr Archibald Douglas</i>
<i>PRESIDENT:</i>	<i>Mrs Jan Shaw</i>
<i>VICE PRESIDENT:</i>	<i>Ms Jenny Smith</i>
<i>MINUTES SECRETARY:</i>	<i>Ms Jenny Smith</i>
<i>MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY:</i>	<i>Mrs Sue Taylor</i>
<i>TREASURER:</i>	<i>Ms Kate Godfrey</i>
<i>EDITOR:</i>	<i>Mrs Mary Smith</i>
<i>GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH OFFICER:</i>	<i>Mrs Mary Smith</i>
<i>WEB SITE ADMINISTRATOR:</i>	<i>Ms Penny Shaw</i>
<i>GENERAL COMMITTEE:</i>	<i>Mr John & Mrs Robin Godfrey</i>

Aims and Objectives of the Association

- To act as a representative body of Douglas's and Septs
- To encourage genealogical research and documentation of Douglas history
- To promote fellowship amongst members
- To establish and maintain contact with other Douglas associations throughout the world
- Provide members four Newsletters a year (members are invited to contribute articles of general interest)
- Provide social gatherings to enable Members to meet.

Clan Douglas Website - www.clandouglas.org.au/

The website currently offers the following features for members and general public.

- General Information about the Clan Douglas (members and public)
- Events (members and public)
- Discussion board (forum for members and public)
- Newsletters (members only)
- Photo gallery (members only)
- Family tree software (members only)
- Application form (public and members)

Members can log in with a user name and password to view area that are not available for the general public, thus maintaining privacy and adding value to your membership.

All members must first register on the site. Registration follows a confirmation and approved process so that only paid-up members can register. Just follow the instructions sent in the registration email. Once approved, you can use your username and password to log in at any time.

Website Help - please email the Web site Administrator at administrator@clandouglas.org.au for assistance.

We now have a Clan Douglas Association of Australia (Organisation) Facebook page.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT



This year, Clan Douglas has been represented at the Kirkin' o' the Tartan in June; Scotland in the Park in July; as well as the Brisbane Boy's College Pipe Band Championships earlier in the year. It is the Committee and their families who attend these functions but I might remind the members that everyone is most welcome to attend.

Each year CDAA gives a prize of \$150 cash to a student at Scot's College, Warwick who is proficient in woodwork and metalwork. This year the recipient is Year 12 student, Benjamin Johnston and I congratulate him on winning the Ron Douglas Memorial Bursary. Past recipients have thanked us for this cash prize and said how it has enabled them to purchase tools relevant to their trade.

Our main function this year has been the "eBook" and my thanks go to the Committee members responsible for this mammoth task, in particular Jenny Smith and Penny Shaw. Many family members were contacted to update their Births, Deaths and Marriages and if we have missed some when the electronic book comes out then the information can be added by contacting Jenny Smith.

"A Douglas! A Douglas!" by Mary Smith and Janet Shaw published in 1986 has 3 parts:

- 1) The journals written in 1813 by Robert Douglas of Ardrossan.
- 2) Our ancient Scottish line from 1174 through the Earls of Angus and then Glenbervie and Cruixton to 1839
- 3) The arrival, of Robert Douglas of Kangaroo Point, in Australia in 1839 and his subsequent descendants from then to the date of the publication 1986.

In 2000, in publishing "Never Behind" we updated "A Douglas! A Douglas!" and added other relevant information including the genealogy of our Canadian cousins, i.e. those descended from Sir James Douglas Governor of Vancouver. As family history is a never ending story we continue to research more of our history and this has been added to our 'ebook'. We hope those who follow us will continue to add information.

CDAA has generously contributed to the cost and the "ebook" is exclusive to members of CDAA as well as our own family. An order form will be included in our Newsletters and we encourage all those eligible to purchase this well-priced electronic book. We would like to think that every single member of our large Douglas family will be able to afford to have their own copy. This history of 26 + generations is your heritage, so treasure it with care.

And last but certainly not least, I wish to thank my Committee - each one has their own area of expertise - and the tasks of maintaining and conducting the business of CDAA is shared and carried out with competence and good will. I could not do without any of you so my heartfelt thanks to you all.

Finally, I would like to thank members for your ongoing support and wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a Healthy and Prosperous 2016.

Jan Shaw (nee Douglas) President.

GENEALOGICAL CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT FOR 2015

It gives me much pleasure to present my report for 2015. This year has been similar to previous years and I regret that there has been very few letters for me to answer regarding genealogy.

Again I ask, if any members are aware of Douglas or Sept family books published recently, the Clan Douglas would like to know about them subject to purchasing for the library. Research queries are needed for insertion in the newsletters. We have not received many this year and this free facility continues to be underutilised.

Mary Smith, Genealogical Co-ordinator.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR'S REPORT FOR 2015

It gives me much pleasure as Newsletter Editor to present the Report for 2015. Four newsletters have been produced since the AGM in November last year and I have tried to keep the main interest story evolving as much as possible. I should like to take this opportunity to thank my daughter Jenny, who has given of her valuable time to collate and have published the Newsletters for the last twelve months. This has involved quite a bit of 'running around' as she no longer works at the Mater Hospital close to her printing facility.

We need research queries to help other members who may be looking for long lost relatives or ancestors. Please help us to help you and so keep the newsletter a viable and sought after publication.

A different Christmas or birthday present to give a loved one could be a "Douglas Stone" or the gift of membership to the Clan Douglas Association of Australia. In every newsletter you receive there is always an application form at the back. Just fill this in and mail to the Membership Secretary, Ms Sue Taylor, 11 Hannam Street, Wynnum North 4178, Queensland, Australia with the \$20.00 (Aus) membership fee.

Mary Smith, Newsletter Editor.

WEBSITE REPORT

Our facebook page was launched in March 2015



This is a good way to reach more people and keep them up to date with our activities.

The facebook page has no costs as we do not engage in paid marketing campaigns. Please feel free to post any news on our page.

Cost

Hosting: \$95.40 for 12 months with Ventraip. Domain Name: \$75 for 2 years with Webeasy

Visitor Report

Month	Unique visitors	Number of visits	Pages	Hits	Bandwidth
Jan 2015	8,527	21,538	39,549	42,808	227.67 MB
Feb 2015	6,163	13,083	17,395	19,386	121.61 MB
Mar 2015	5,923	12,150	17,600	23,734	247.43 MB
Apr 2015	3,677	8,302	14,811	18,619	284.37 MB
May 2015	1,604	4,101	9,337	17,333	562.28 MB
Jun 2015	1,728	3,417	12,681	17,160	275.51 MB
Jul 2015	1,366	3,409	6,893	10,725	168.82 MB
Aug 2015	1,020	2,434	4,024	8,137	159.98 MB
Sep 2015	1,042	2,437	3,879	6,119	104.56 MB
Oct 2015	756	1,920	3,359	4,897	80.24 MB
Nov 2015	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 2015	0	0	0	0	0
Total	31,806	72,791	129,528	168,918	2.18 GB

POPULAR ARTICLES

37908 Membership

9508 Your own piece of Castle Douglas - limited number still available

607 The Earls of Angus Part 1

553 Clan Wall - now has a stone from Castle Douglas, Scotland

542 Sat 30 May 2015 Fassifern Highland Gathering, Boonah Qld

Penny Shaw, Website Administrator

TREASURER'S REPORT

I present the financial statements, including the profit and loss statement and balance sheet, for the Clan Douglas Association of Australia for the year ended August 2015.

As previously agreed in a general meeting of members, the accounts have not been audited. However, the Association keeps its financial records in a way that properly records the Association's income and expenditure and dealings with its assets and liabilities.

The net result for the year was a reduction in net assets by \$5 to \$9,004. The Association continues to have no liabilities.

The Association has been active this year in supporting Clan related activities. This has included continued support of the Ron Douglas Memorial Bursary awarded to a Scots College Warwick student for excellence in manual arts.

Taking into account timing differences, membership income has remained stable and our revenue supports the annual costs of running the Association. This helps the Association remain financial into the future.

Kate Godfrey, Treasurer

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY REPORT

Membership has remained stable this year with no new members. Currently Clan Douglas Australia has:

- 33 financial members
- 13 Life members
- 2 Honorary members – Ern Thompson Scottish Clan Congress Qld, Harold Edington Clan Douglas Nth America

Total Number Members = 48

Sue Taylor, Membership Secretary

THE CLAYMORE – A WEAPON OF PHYSICAL STRENGTH & PROWESS

A Claymore (Kleimoer; from Scottish Gaelic Claidheamh – mor, “great sword”) is the Scottish variant of the late medieval two-handed long-sword. It is characterized by having a cross hilt of forward-sloping quillons with quatrefoil terminations and was in use from the 15th to the 17th centuries.



Replica of a Scottish claymore.
Søren Niedziella. CC By 2.0
Wikimedia.

It was used in the constant clan warfare and border skirmishes with the English from c.1400 to the 17th century. Although

Claymores were used as far back as the Wars of Independence, they were smaller, and few had the typical quatrefoil design seen on the Great Seal of John Balliol, King of Scots. The last known battle in which the two-handed Claymore seems to have been used was the Battle of Kiliecrankie in 1689 and was longer than other two-handed swords of the era. It is interesting to note that the average Claymore was about 140cm in overall length, with a 33cm grip, 107cm blade, and a weight of about 2.5 kg.

From the 18th century onwards, the word Claymore began to be used in Scotland and parts of England to refer to basket-hilted swords. This description was probably not used during the 17th century when basket-hilted swords were primarily military in origin. Over time the large heavy, broad bladed swords remained in service with Scotland's regiments as the broad heavy weapons were seen as a symbol of physical strength and prowess and as a link to the historic Highland way of life (Wikipaedia).

SEPT - INGLIS

Listed in the 2009 CDSNA bylaws. *Inglis* was accepted as a Sept of Douglas by CDSNA in 1975 based on the original list from the book *Scots Kith and Kin*.

The strong connection between Douglas and Inglis is found in *Early Inglis History, St. Bride's Church*.

"The roofless south transept, which is invariably known as the Inglis' Aisle, is worth close examination. The traditional story behind the name is as follows: In the early years of the fourteenth century, when Douglaston was repeatedly overrun and often held by the English, the Inglis family tenanted the farm of Weston. Once Inglis managed to overhear the English plans for taking the castle, and at very great risk conveyed a warning to the Douglas. For this and perhaps other services he was asked to name his reward, and he replied that his greatest wish was to be buried under the same roof as his master. Accordingly, the south transept was set apart as the burial place of Inglis and his descendants for all time. So goes the tale, and until comparatively recent years descendants of the Douglas Inglasses have been buried there. There are several memorial tablets on the walls, some bearing the Inglis coat of arms and the family motto, "Recte faciendo securus". A fragment of a local rhyme survives in the couplet:

It was gi'en to Inglis and Inglass bairns
And a' that lie in Inglis's airms.

Further evidence for Inglis is found in Nisbet's *Heraldry*, Vol i. 83:

John Inglis of Manor obtains a charter of confirmation of his lands of Manor, to himself, and his son and heir Thomas Inglis, from his superior, Archibald Duke of Touraine, Earl of Douglas; and the three stars in chief, carried by the name of Inglis, I take to be arms of patronage, and carried by that name, upon the account that they were vassals to the Douglases. Thomas Inglis of Manor made an excambion of his lands of Brankesholm, Branshaugh, Goldylands, CMahitelaw, Quhitrig, Todshaw-hills, and Todshaw-wood, which he held of the Douglases, with Sir Walter Scot of Murthouston, for the lands of Murthouston and Heartwood, lying in the barony of Bothwell in the shire of Lanark; as by the charter of excambion, dated at Edinburgh the 23d of July 1446, in which he is designed, Nobilis vir Thomas Inglis de Manners; and afterwards he and his family in other writs were designed, Domini de Murtboustoun, or Murdistoun.

Sources:

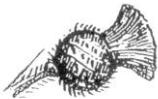
Early Inglis History, St. Bride's Church. <http://www.inglis.uk.com/page4.html>

Nisbet, Alexander, and Robert Fleming. *A System of Heraldry Speculative and Practical: With the True Art of Blazon, According to the Most Approved Heralds in Europe: Illustrated with Suitable Examples of Armorial Figures, and Achievements of the Most Considerable Surnames and Families in Scotland, &c.... by Alexander Nisbet*. Edinburgh: Printed for J. MackEuen. Anno Dom, 1722. Print.



GLENBERVIE formerly ARDIT

Kincardineshire later Fife



Sir Robert Douglas, 4th son of William Douglas and Egidia or Giles Graham, married Elizabeth, daughter of Sir George Auchinleck of Balmanno. They had issue:

1. William Douglas (see below)
2. George Douglas
3. Robert Douglas of Inchmarlo & Arbeadie, no issue.
4. John Douglas dsp.
5. Alexander Douglas, minister; married and had a daughter.
6. Margaret Douglas, married Sir Thomas Burnett, 1st Baronet of Leys, son of Alexander and Catharine Burnett nee Gordon of Lesmoir. Sir Thomas married (2) Jean Moncrief of that Ilk.
7. Jean Douglas married William Rate of Hallgreen
8. Elizabeth Douglas married ? Irvine of Monboddo.

1. Sir William Douglas, 1st Baronet of Glenbervie died 25/Mar/1653; 03/Dec/1621 charter under the Great Seal; 28/May/1625 created Baronet of Glenbervie (Nova Scotia baronetcy); married 14/Nov/1605, Janet Irvine daughter of Alexander Irvine of Drum and the Lady Marion, daughter of Robert Douglas, jure uxoris 4th Earl of Buchan and Christina Stewart, Countess of Buchan. William and Janet had issue:

- 1a. William Douglas (see below)
- 1b. George Douglas obtained before 1645, 5000 merks from his father (see below).
- 1c. James Douglas obtained before 1645, 5000 merks from his father.
- 1d. Marie Douglas
- 1e. Anne Douglas
- 1f. Henrietta Douglas
- 1g. Sophia Douglas
- 1h. Janet Douglas.

1a. Sir William Douglas 2nd Baronet of Glenbervie, son of Sir William Douglas and Janet Irvine, died before 1688; married 1642, Anne Douglas, daughter of John/James Douglas of Stonypath and Ardit and had issue:

1a.i Sir Robert Douglas, 3rd Baronet of Glenbervie, slain 1692 at the battle of Steenkerke/Steinkirk Hainault; unmarried; Colonel of the 1st or Royal Regiment of Foot called the "Royal Scots". He distinguished himself by recovering the regiment's colours and losing his life because of it; 1675, sold Glenbervie.

1a.ii Catherine Douglas married Robert Burnett, brother of Sir Alexander Burnett of Leys; bought Ardit from Sir Robert Douglas, his brother-in-law.

1a. iii Elizabeth Douglas married ?Livingstone, Captain.

1a. iv Jean Douglas married ?Gordon of Buckle.

1b. George Douglas second son of Sir Robert & the Lady Giles Douglas nee Graham, Rector of Stepney, London, Minister D.D.; purchased the lands of Ardit, Fife, which later became the seat of this branch of the family; married Cecily Drury, daughter and co-heiress of Sir Robert Drury of Rougham, Sussex and had issue:

- 1b.i William Douglas** (see below)
- 1b.ii George Douglas**, dsp.
- 1b.iii Robert Douglas**, merchant and burgess of Edinburgh
- 1b.iv James Douglas**, dsp.
- 1b.v Cecilia Douglas**, married Thomas Rutherford

1b.i Sir William Douglas of Ardit, eldest son of George and Cecily Douglas nee Drury, died 27/Aug/1666; married Newton, Mid-Lothian, 25/Oct/1655, Agnes daughter of Patrick Scott of Ancrum and Elizabeth Monturpie, Fife; issue:

1b.i (a) Patrick Douglas, dsp.

1b.i (b) Agnes Douglas born 06/May/1658

1b.i (c) Cecilia Douglas married Thomas Rutherford of Knowsouth, Roxburghshire.

Sir Robert Douglas of Ardit, born 1661, died 27/Jan/1748; succeeded his cousin as 4th Baronet of Glenbervie, changing his name and that of his property “of Ardit” to “of Glenbervie”. Married (1)1690, Mary, daughter of Sir William Ruthven of Dunglass and the Lady Catherine Douglas. Issue:

1. **William**, 5th Baronet of Glenbervie; born 1689, died 23/Jul/1764; advocate; from 1726-1745 Provost of St Andrews; General Inspector of the Customs upon tobacco in Scotland; married 1718, Elizabeth/Isobel Douglas, daughter of John Douglas of Garvald and Elizabeth Douglas daughter of William and Isobel Douglas. No issue.

Sir Robert Douglas married (2)1694, Janet Paterson, heiress of the lands of Dunmure; issue:

2. **Robert Douglas** (see below)

3. **Andrew Douglas**, General Inspector for manufactures for Scotland.

4. **Patrick Douglas**, merchant; married Edinburgh, 14/Oct/1719, Elizabeth, daughter of V.S.MacLeod and had issue.

5. **John Douglas**

6. **Agnes Douglas**, married David Pitcairn of that Ilk.

7. **Janet Douglas** married Thomas Spens, esq. of Lathallan, Fife and Margaret Gourlay

8. **Catherine Douglas**.

2. **Sir Robert Douglas**, 6th Baronet of Glenbervie, born 1694; died Edinburgh 20/Apr/1770; genealogist, author of “*The Peerage of Scotland*”; married (1) Dorothy Chester, daughter of Anthony Chester of Chechely, Attorney-general of Barbados; no issue.

Sir Robert Douglas married (2) Margaret, daughter of Sir James MacDonald of MacDonald, 6th Baronet. Issue;

2a. **Robert Douglas**

2b. **Alexander Douglas**

2c. **William Douglas**

2d. **Janet Douglas** married Kenneth, son of Donald Mackenzie, Baron of Kilcoy.

The Baronetcy of Glenbervie became dormant in 1812 after the death of Janet Douglas’ brother Alexander Douglas, but was restored in 1831 in favour of her son Kenneth who assumed the name of MACKENZIE DOUGLAS. There were three daughters whose names are not known.

Sir Robert Douglas married (3) Tibbermore, Perthshire, 18/Feb/1750, Anne, daughter of Alexander Hay of Huntingdon.

2b. **Sir Alexander Douglas**, son of Sir Robert and Margaret Douglas nee MacDonald, 7th Baronet of Glenbervie; born 1738; died 28/Nov/1812; 1759 studied medicine at Leiden University in the Netherlands; 1760 admitted M.D. of St Andrew’s University, Fellow Royal College of Physicians at Edinburgh; 1796 Licentiate of the London College, Physician to the King’s forces in Scotland; living at Dundee; married (2) 1775, Barbara, daughter of James Carnegie of Finhaven; issue:

2b. i **Robert Douglas** died 08/Sep/1780.

5. **John Douglas**, son of Sir Robert Douglas and his second wife Janet Paterson; surgeon; married Mary daughter of David Campbell of Kinpont; issue

1. **David Douglas**, officer in the army; died unmarried.

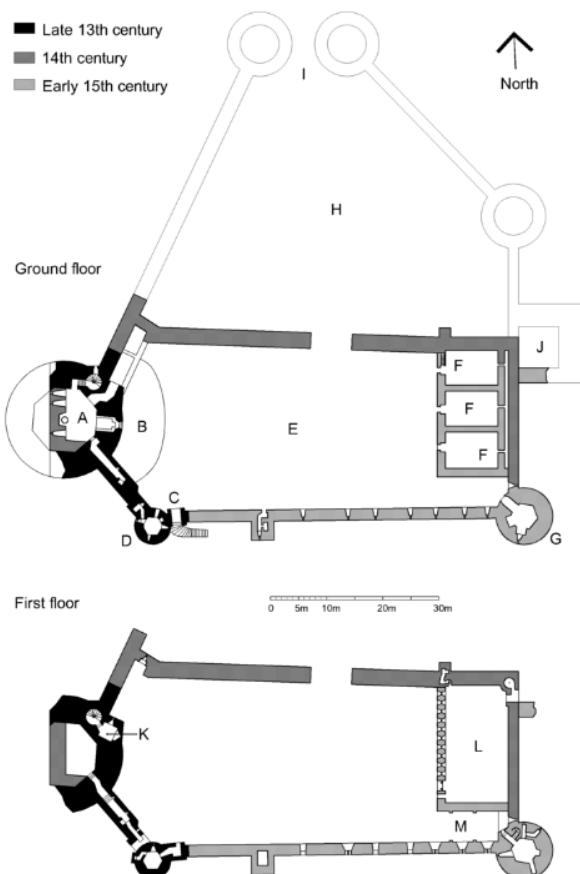
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(Taken from Percy Douglas, *The History of the Family of Douglas*, p.289-293)



BOTHWELL CASTLE

Bothwell Castle is located between Bothwell and Uddingston, about 16 km south-east of Glasgow. This large medieval castle is sited on a high, steep bank, above a bend in the River Clyde, in South Lanarkshire, Scotland. It stands at a very strategic location - the main crossing point of the Clyde for any invaders coming from the south. Invasion and repeated siege meant that the original design of the castle was never completed and what you see today is largely the work of the Earls of Douglas in the years around 1400.



Plan of Bothwell Castle

Based on plans published in MacGibbon and Ross, (1887) *Castellated and Domestic Architecture of Scotland* Vol. 1, and W.D. Simpson (1978) *Bothwell Castle*, HMSO. Jonathan Oldenbuck CC BY-SA 3.0

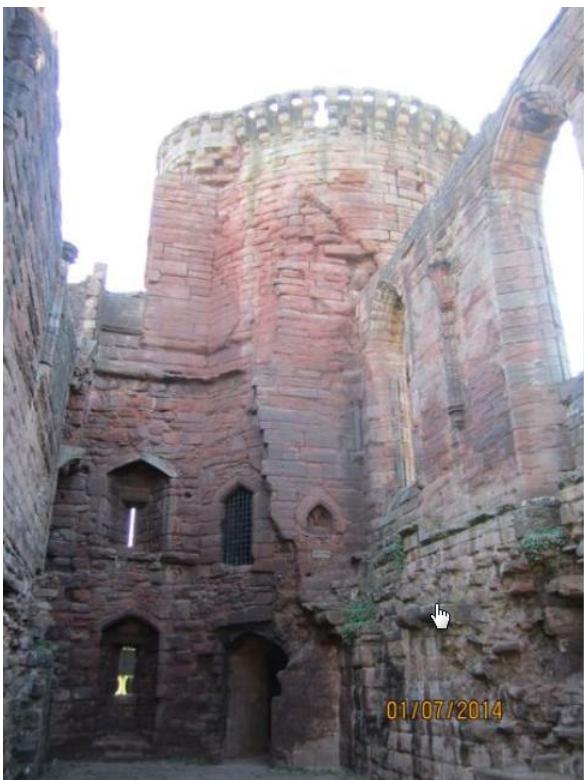
King David I granted the barony of Bothwell to David Olifant, Justiciar of Lothian, in the mid 12th century. The lands passed to his descendants and by 1252 the barony became the property of Walter de Moravia, or Walter of Moray, who had married the last Olifant baron's heir. He began construction of the castle and many of the finest masons from continental Europe were brought in. By the start of the Wars of Scottish Independence in 1296, only the main donjon, the prison tower, and the short connecting curtain wall were completed. Foundations of the remainder were probably in place, and would have been defended by a wooden palisade.

Walter of Moray's original design for Bothwell Castle can be traced from foundations visible in the grass to the north of the surviving structure. Bothwell Castle is roughly rectangular in shape. Its design is similar to the strongholds of Coucy, Kildrummy and Dirleton as the west end has a circular keep (or donjon). The keep, while currently in ruins, was originally 82 feet (25 m) high and 62 feet (19 m) in diameter with walls which were 15 feet (4.6 m) thick. Thick walls and a powerful gatehouse were later added to the structure and the castle was considered "one of the most important military strongholds in Scotland". The east end of the castle comprises the great hall and the south east tower. The angle behind the great hall was, until about 1700, home to the north east tower, a large square tower built in about 1400 to replace the siege-damaged donjon and considerably taller than the surviving south east tower. Only its base survives. Further north still would have been a strongly defended gatehouse with two circular towers. Curtain walls would have linked together the resulting polygon, producing a magnificent castle occupying an area of over 1.5 acres.

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In 1296 King Edward I of England invaded Scotland, captured William Moray 'The Rich' of Bothwell and took the castle. The Scots besieged the English garrison in Bothwell Castle for 14 months in 1298-9, only taking it when the defenders had succumbed to famine.





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In August 1301 Edward I came again to Bothwell Castle, bringing an army of 6,800 men and a high siege tower called a belfry, specially constructed to allow attackers direct access to the top of the donjon. The resulting siege lasted little more than three weeks before the English took the castle for the second time. Bothwell became the headquarters of Aymer de Valence, 2nd Earl of Pembroke, Edward's appointed Warden of Scotland, and remained in English hands until the Battle of Bannockburn.

Following Robert the Bruce's victory at Bannockburn in 1314, the castle provided shelter for several English nobles. However, the castle's constable, Sir Walter FitzGilbert, surrendered the castle to the approaching Scots. For this act, he was granted the barony of Cadzow, where his descendants became the powerful Hamilton family. The Scots slighted the castle after its surrender.

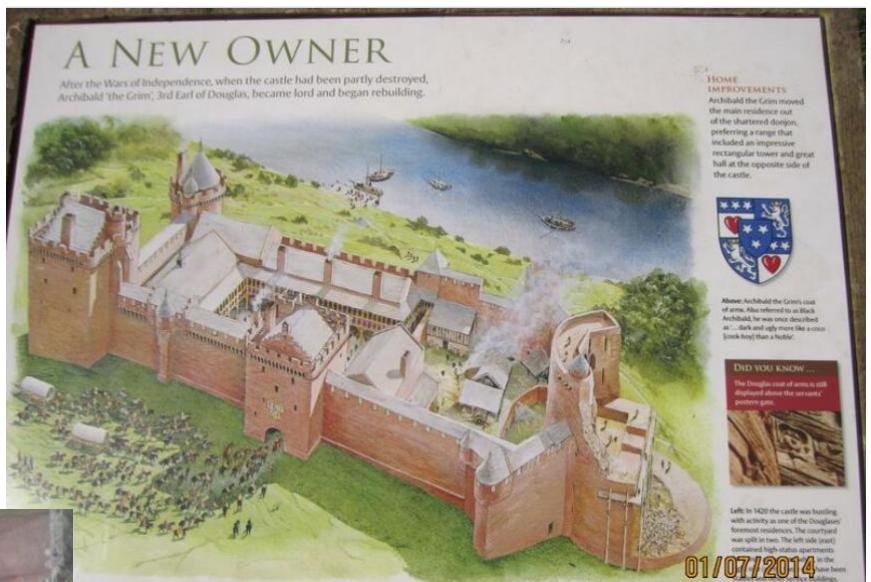
Twenty-two years later in 1336, Edward III invaded from England again and captured and repaired Bothwell and made it his invasion headquarters. In March 1337 a Scots army under Sir Andrew Murray of Bothwell, nephew of Sir William and the rightful owner of Bothwell, recaptured the castle using siege engines. In the process they destroyed the western side of the mighty donjon. Robert Bruce's policy was to destroy castles that

the English could use to control the Scots, and Andrew pulled down much of the donjon tower tumbling it into the Clyde, in order that it could not be re-occupied by the enemy. The castle remained derelict until the 1360s.

In 1362, Joan Moray of Bothwell, heiress of the Morays, married Archibald Douglas, nicknamed "the Grim" and later to be Lord of Galloway and Earl of Douglas. In the late 1300s and early 1400s the Douglass' set to work to restore and extend Bothwell Castle repairing the donjon and completing the walls. The work was continued by his son, Archibald, the 4th Earl. By 1424 they had constructed the Great Hall and adjacent chapel, with towers at the north-east and south-east corners, and curtain walls connecting to the donjon, enclosing the courtyard.



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The "Black" Douglasses were forfeited in 1455, and their lands returned to the crown. James III granted Bothwell to Lord Crichton, and then to Sir John Ramsay, who were both forfeited in turn. In 1488 Bothwell was granted again to Patrick Hepburn, 2nd Lord Hailes, and the Earldom of Bothwell was created for him. Hepburn did not retain Bothwell Castle for long, however, exchanging it with Archibald Douglas, 5th Earl of Angus, known as "Bell-the-Cat", in return for Hermitage Castle in Liddesdale. James IV visited Bothwell in 1503 and 1504.

Bothwell thus reverted to the Douglasses, and descended through the Earls of Angus to the Earls of Forfar. Archibald Douglas, 1st Earl of Forfar began construction of a new mansion nearby, demolishing the castle's north-east tower for its stone (his house was demolished in 1926 due to mining subsidence in the area).

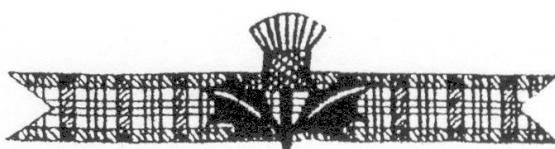
After the death of the 2nd Earl at Sheriffmuir in 1715, a lawsuit was fought over the inheritance of Bothwell, the winning party being Archibald Stewart of Grandtully. The castle then descended to the Earls of Home.

In 1935 Bothwell castle was placed in the care of the State, and today it is cared for by Historic Scotland.

Photos courtesy of Jenny Smith 2014



Collated by Jenny Smith (from Wikipedia, Ancient Scotland and Undiscovered Scotland websites)



A DOUGLAS! A DOUGLAS! EBOOK



Enclosed with this Newsletter is an order form for the Douglas eBook. It is exclusive to CDAA members and descendants of Robert Douglas of Kangaroo Point and Glenbervie/Cruixton Douglas line and is the much awaited update to the family history publications, *A Douglas! A Douglas!* and *Never Behind* by Mary Smith and Janet Shaw. Originally published in 1986 and updated in 2000.

For the first time, this history of the Douglas family from 1174 - 2015 will be available in digital format (PDF). The ebook includes the Births, Deaths and Marriages since the 2000 update. As few families can trace their ancestry for 26+ generations, this is a book which every member of the family can afford and

should have on their bookshelf. Please make sure all your family members are aware that the electronic ebook is now available and if they wish to update or add their information they can contact Jenny Smith, CDAA eBook Editor at jen2602@hotmail.com.

The ebook is offered on a USB stick, beautifully engraved with A Douglas! A Douglas! and enclosed within a wooden presentation box. The electronic format represents a new era for our ever expanding family to be recorded in an accessible, yet private, document which makes future updates easy and inexpensive. It is a true representation of our motto of "Never Behind". This would make a great Christmas or birthday present for family. We also hope to get family updates which will be sent out to those who have purchased the book free of charge at regular intervals.

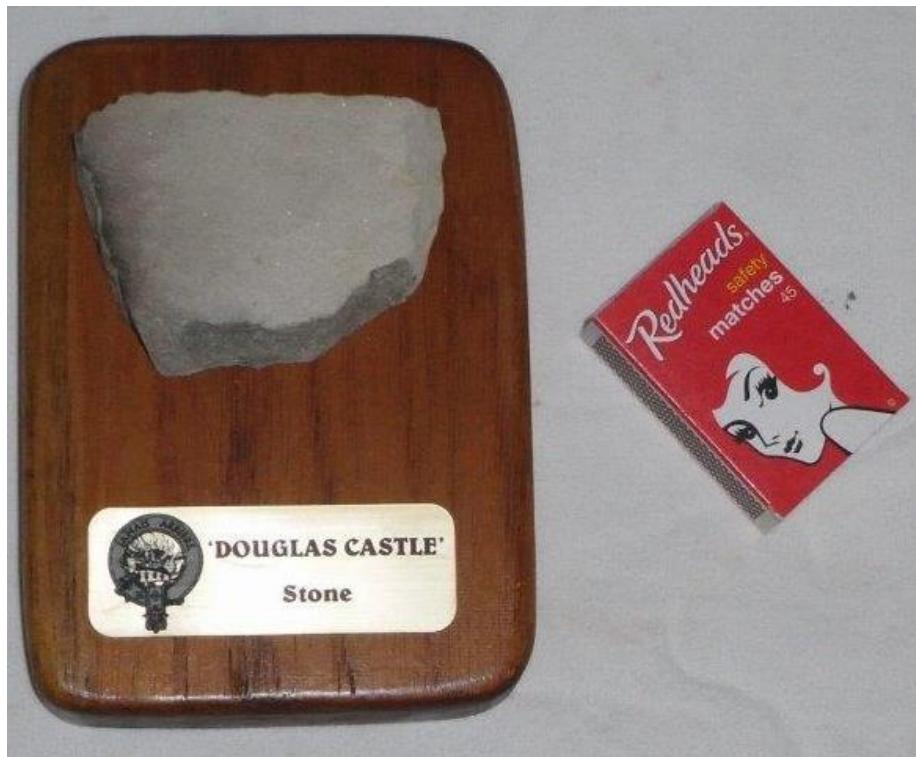
IMPORTANT

For privacy reasons this book will not be distributed via the internet and it is a condition of purchase that no content of the book be shared in any manner that would violate the privacy of individuals listed in the book.

Jenny Smith

DOUGLAS CASTLE STONES

Clan Douglas Association of Australia is offering a special and unique memento of our Scottish heritage with the sale of a very limited number of Douglas Castle Stones. This would make an ideal gift for those family members wishing to have their own little piece of history.



The stones have been sourced from Douglas Castle in South Lanarkshire, Scotland, a stronghold of the Douglas family from medieval times to the 20th century. The first castle, erected in the 13th century, was destroyed and replaced several times until the 18th century when a large mansion house was built in its place. This too was demolished in 1938, and today only a single corner tower of the 17th-century castle remains.

Description: A section of building stone removed from the site of Douglas Castle, South Lanarkshire, Scotland mounted on a piece of Cedar wood (approx.13 X 9.5 cm) with "Douglas Castle Stone" inscribed on a laser printed plaque with the Douglas family crest badge.

A **Certificate of Authenticity** is also included signed by William Douglas of Douglas Archives, Scotland, who was present when the stones were removed from the site. The certificate will be posted separately to the stone which will be securely packaged.

Cost per mounted stone: A\$40 plus A\$10 postage and handling for delivery within Australia = Total **A\$50**

Please contact Kate Godfrey if you wish to purchase this lovely memento. We only have 9 left !

Jenny Smith

EDITORIAL



Again in this issue of the Clan Douglas Association Newsletter, we are featuring a mounted Douglas Castle stone (genuine article) which was sent especially from Scotland. (See above for particulars).

As well, the authors Jan Shaw and Mary Smith are proud to present in eBook digital form (PDF) an update of their book "A Douglas! A Douglas". (See above for details).

My Best Wishes for a very Happy Christmas and a Prosperous and Healthy New Year to all members and friends of the Clan Douglas Association of Australia.



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We invite you and your family to join this Association. We ask you especially to support the Committee and help us bring together people of Douglas Ancestry, Sept families and other connections, from all over Australia, New Zealand and the world. Any one descended from, connected by marriage, or adopted by a Douglas or Sept of Douglas is eligible to join.

The Sept families of the House of Douglas are:

Bell, Blacklock, Blackstock, Blackwood, Brown, Brownlee, Cavers, Dickey, Douglass, Drysdale, Forrest, Forrester, Foster, Gilpatrick, Glendinning, Inglis, Kilgore, Kilpatrick, Kirkland, Kirkpatrick, Lockerby, MacGuffey, MacGuffock, McKillrick, Morton, Sandlilands, Sandlin, Simms, Soule, Sterritt, Symington, Syme, Young.

The Clan Douglas Association acknowledges that on the list of Sept families there are some who are recognised as belonging to other clans, but some families of these surnames were closely linked with branches of the Douglas' in the early years. We ask you to please notify anyone else you know to be eligible to join, especially those who may not be on our mailing list.

Clan Douglas of Australia - Membership Form

Surname: First Name:

Address:

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Telephone number: () Email address:

Place of family origin overseas (if known):

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Would you like your Newsletter emailed or posted (please tick)

Membership fee per year \$20.00 per family. Please send me a Membership Certificate (please tick)
Fees can be paid by:

Bank transfer: BSB 484799, Account 046671315 in the name "Clan Douglas Association". Place your name in the reference area of the bank transfer and post or email this form to CDAA.

Cheques can be made payable in Australian currency to 'Clan Douglas Association of Australia' and posted to the CDAA Membership Secretary, Sue Taylor, 11 Hannam Street, Wynnum North 4178.

Overseas members please email Kate Godfrey, CDAA Treasurer for an individualised Invoice.

Signature of applicant: