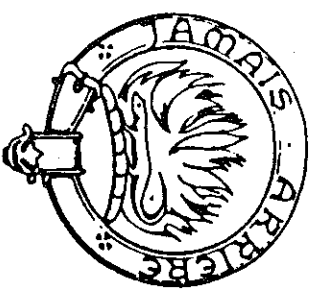


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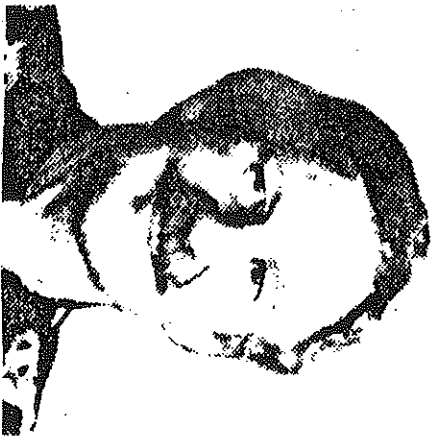
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	<b>MRS JEAN RIDDELL</b>
	<b>MRS BEBE SECOMBE</b>
	<b>MRS ESME TAYLOR</b>

Those eligible to join the Douglas Association of Australia, upon application, are -  
Anyone descended from, connected by marriage, or adopted by a Douglas or a Sept of Douglas.  
The Septs affiliated with Douglas are -

BELL, BLACKLOCK, BLACKSTOCK, BLACKWOOD, BROWN, BROWNLEE, CAVERS, DICKEY, DOUGLASS,  
DRYSDALE, FOREST, FORREST, FOSTER, GILPATRICK, GLENDINNING, INGLIS, INGLES,  
KILGORE, KILPATRICK, KIRKLAND, KIRKPATRICK, LOCKERBY, MACGUFFEY, MACGUFFOCK,  
MCKITTRICK, MORTON, SANDILANDS, SANDLIN, SIMMS, SOULE, STERRITT, SYMINGTON, SYME,  
YOUNG.

On the list of sept families there are some who are recognised as belonging to other clans. It is therefore necessary to know your lineage in order to prove association. Clan Douglas Association of Australia cannot guarantee that your particular family is eligible to be a sept, but the Association would be happy to accept your membership until proven differently.



## *President's Message*

Welcome members to No. 19 Newsletter and the close of 1991. Another successful Annual Meeting has just passed and I would like to congratulate the elected office bearers and also thank those members and guests whose attendance helped make the day. Particular mention must be made to our guest speaker Mr. Bruce Shaw, convenor of the Celtic Council of Queensland, and the Commissioner for Clan Forsyth, Mrs. Gwen Gartshore. Our thanks to member Jan Waller, (nee Douglas) for arranging the venue again, Fred Douglas our official piper, and Highland dancer Miss Naomi Lord for her splendid display. As mentioned in our last Newsletter, 1992, to dedicate the assembly of the Standing Stones. This is going to be a popular event, bringing thousands of people to the town, and is hoped to be an annual occasion. The Scottish Clans Congress of Queensland will have a marquee there and all Clans and their members are invited to attend this weekend.

The S.A.H.C. is holding its Annual Gathering once again in Sydney, commencing on Sunday 24th November, with the Kirking of the Tartan held at Scots Church, Margaret Street, starting at 10 am. Following this will be the assembly of the Clans at 12.30 at the Domain for the march to the Opera House, for the open air concert. For information on this event please contact June Marks, our Sydney Convenor, on phone 02/3982149.

In Brisbane the Kirking of the Tartan will be held at St. Andrews Uniting Church, Creek Street, 9.30 am on December 1st, with all denominations participating. This is an ancient Scots tradition, where the tartans of the Clans are paraded into a Kirk (Church) and blessed by the officiating minister. Various luncheons will follow this procedure and I look forward to your attendance and company.

I was pleased to have 2 New Zealand visitors, David Johnstone and Linda Mills call on me recently, as they are also lateral relatives of mine, who are both researching their family trees. We have made contact with each other through this Society and have established we have common ancestors dating back around 1800 from the villages of Hounam and Swin-side, located in Roxburghshire, Scotland. This resulted from Linda forwarding her well researched and comprehensive family tree to our Genealogical Co-ordinator Mary Smith.

As this will be our last Newsletter for 1991, on behalf of the committee, I would like to thank members from around the world for their continued interest and support, which allows us to function and remain viable. We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, wherever you reside, and look forward to our continued association in the following year.

Regards,

Ron Douglas

## KNOW YOUR ROOTS.

Mrs Mary Smith

Genealogical Co-ordinator.

### RESEARCH QUERIES

DOUGLASS: Mrs Olive Howes, Lot 13, Forrest Lane, Ailingham, 4850, would like some information on her ancestors - THOMAS DOUGLASS married ELIZABETH KINSELLA (KINCHELA) on 26/11/1832 probably at Sydney NSW as their daughter SARAH was born there on the 17th March 1835. If anyone can be of assistance would they please contact her.

DOUGLAS/S, JOHN born 1821/22 at Windsor, NSW, son of John (traveller); married SOPHIA THOMAS in about 1853. John jnr. died 1887. Would anyone with information that might help Mr Stephen Douglass, 60 Bedford Road, Ardross, Western Australia, 6153 please write to him.

IF YOU REQUIRE HELP TO COMPLETE YOUR FAMILY TREE AND WISH TO INSERT A NOTICE ON THIS PAGE, PLEASE WRITE TO MARY SMITH, GENEALOGICAL CO-ORDINATOR OR JANET SHAW, NEWSLETTER EDITOR OF THE CLAN DOUGLAS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA, WITH YOUR RESEARCH QUERY.

SEPTS: YOUNG: A personal name the same in meaning with Gaelic Dg, 'young'. The name was probably applied, as Bardsley suggests, "in the sense of junior, to distinguish father and son when both bore the same personal name". Malmor dictus Juvenis and Ade dictus Juvenis were assizers at Dumbarton in 1271 (RMP., p.191). John Yong de Dynvalle witnessed a charter by the earl of Ross to Reginald, son of Roderick of the Isles, in 1342 (TGSi., vi, p.165), and Symone Yong was Burgess of Elgin in 1343 (REM., p.290). John Yhung was a tenant of the earl of Douglas in Moffat in 1376 (RHM., i, p.1xiii), Adam Zung witnessed a notarial instrument in 1413 (Pollak, i, p.146), and Walter Young served on an assize at Edinburgh in 1428 (RAA., ii, 61). Alexander Yong was chaplain and procurator of the house of the Holy Trinity of Aberdeen in 1439 (CRA., p.6), John Zung was a presbyter in Glasgow in 1442 (REG., 346), and William Yhonge and Walter Yhonge, Scottish merchants, had safe conducts into England in 1446 (Bain, iv, 1187), and so also had Patrick Yunge (Yonge, or Yhong), dean of Dunkeld in 1449 (ibid., 1212, 1218). William Zhong was vicar of Cragy in 1449 (RMP., p.83), Robert Yhunghe held a tenement in Glasgow in 1454 (LCD., p.174), and John Zoung was bailie of William, earl of Orkney in 1462 (Cambus., 89). Alexander Yonge, a native of Scotland, had letters of denization in England in 1482 (Bain, iv, 1473), William Zung is recorded in Newburgh, Fife, in 1479 (LAC., 153), and Mongw Young was tenant in Stobo in 1528 (Rental). Young 1456, Yung 1388, Zeung 1617, Zong 1511, Zonge 1493, Zoung 1525, Zoung 1522, Cf. YOUNGER. Taken from The Surnames of Scotland by G.F.Black.

BELL, George Frederick (1876-1966)

'Notable Sept.'

art teacher, artist and critic, was born on 1 December 1878 at Kew, Vic. He studied at the National Gallery School, Melbourne, in Paris at the National Gallery Art School under Jean-Paul Laurens (1904-6) and at Casteluha's, and in London (1906-20). In 1908 he was elected a member of the Modern Society of Portrait Painters, London. He was official war artist for the 4th Division AIF during World War I. He exhibited at the Paris Salon, Munich and Dusseldorf, the Royal Academy, London, and in America.

Bell returned to Australia in 1921. He was art critic for the Melbourne Sun News-Pictorial (1923-48), and president of the Australian Art Association (1924-6). In 1932 he and Arnold Shore (qv) founded the school which became the centre of the modern movement in Melbourne. A founder of the Contemporary Art Society and its president (1938), Bell broke from it and established the Melbourne Contemporary Artists in 1940. He was awarded the Crouch Prize (1928) and the Society of Artists' 1947 Medal for services to Australia. In 1966 he was appointed OBE. He died at Melbourne on 22 October 1966.

# AGM Reports

## PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT

To our Patron, Sir Sholto Douglas KT., guest speaker Bruce Shaw, members of Clan Douglas, Clans Congress of Queensland, and guests, I extend a warm welcome to you all at our 5th Annual General Meeting. Greetings also to our members who are not present with us today.

It is hard to comprehend that we have now been in existence for almost 5 years and still functioning in the same successful manner as when we first commenced. I mention this because over the last 12 months (while some Clan Associations are being newly formed) quite a few of the older established Clan Societies seem to be faltering through various reasons such as complacency, apathy, short term interest of members, or loss through friction on committees. Fortunately to date we have not incurred any of these problems and our membership is static with the normal influx balancing the losses. We should of course always monitor our progress to detect any deterioration in strength should it occur.

Commencing with our first committee meeting last year we welcomed David and Dawn Roseby and Miss Connie Douglas to the committee, with Robert Morton joining us later. The meetings throughout the year were interesting and productive and I will outline some of the subject matter which transpired at these meetings for your interest. Firstly we must acknowledge the Brisbane Caledonian Society for providing us with such a central venue for these occasions and I wish to thank them for their hospitality in this regard.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: I would like to mention once again what a harmonious group we have on our committee, as they have been very dedicated to our cause and have turned up most punctually to our meetings. We must thank Shirley Douglas for her dedication to the secretarial duties and we were pleased that she was able to continue in this role. Edith Myers has managed again to accumulate and hold onto our funds, whilst also looking after the membership applications and renewals. She also looked after the marketing of Douglas accessories. Unfortunately I have to announce that Edith is leaving us to take up abode in N.S.W., so we wish her and Jim a pleasant retirement and thank her for her contribution since the formation of our association. Our Geneological Co-ordinator, Mary Smith, and Newsletter Editor, Jan Shaw, have also made continuous contributions to our association and we are most fortunate to have them with us, and we look forward to working with them again in conjunction with the committee, whose input has been considerable. Jim Douglas, our Auditor, has also displayed his special expertise to acknowledge that our finances are in order.

DOUGLAS CHIEFSHIP: We have not been quite sure how this matter is progressing lately with any application to the Lord Lyon, though we have had some correspondence from Alistair Campbell of Airds, attached to the Lyon Court, who has written to us outlining the various implications involved, which indicates it is going to be a complicated and lengthy process. So I must report that it will be some time before we have any answers to this very important issue.

DOUGLAS HISTORY BOOK: Over the last year the intended production of a history of the 'Douglases' by Arthur Douglas M.L.D., F.S.A.(Scot) has been activated by various interested parties and we have assisted by promoting the book in our Newsletter. To date certain orders have been forthcoming, but not sufficient at this stage for the Publishers to commence production, so I take this opportunity to request your support again in this venture, as it is the first major published Douglas history since the turn of the century and copies of these are both rare and expensive.

FAMILY RESEARCH: I wonder how many of our members are researching their family tree? As this section of any Clan Society plays a very vital role, I urge every member to pursue this important facet. The longer you leave it, the harder it gets, as from what I can ascertain, those older members of our families are our links to the past, and with their passing severs any link which may have helped you in determining what, who and where you should search for. Our Genealogical Coordinator, Mary Smith, has records which may help you in this respect, so please contact her.

ETHNIC RADIO: We have continued our membership to the Ethnic Broadcasting Association which has a Scottish segment hosted by a Scot, Bill Montgomery, who plays Scottish music and delivers items of a Scottish content throughout the program, and at the same time gives us a plug on our activities.

OUTDOOR FUNCTIONS: The first outdoor function of the year was the Ipswich Highland Gathering held in 1990, where our usual Douglas promotional material was displayed adjacent to the other clans.

Next was the Annual S.A.H.C. gathering in Sydney which I attended for the Kirking of the Tartan, followed by the Clan march from the Domain to the Opera House, where the usual concert took place to entertain the visiting Chiefs from overseas. While this was taking place, Jan and Craig Shaw represented us by attending the Kirking of the Tartan by the Clans Congress of Queensland at St. Stephens Cathedral in Brisbane.

Annual Picnic: I was pleased to see such a roll-up at our home for the annual picnic, as it was a bigger success than I had anticipated, with members travelling some distance to attend. I have had some congratulatory letters from many members who enjoyed the day and had a chance to meet us for the first time. Thank you for the feed back, as it is nice to know our efforts are appreciated. We are indebted to Elizabeth Brown and her dancers, and piper Charlie Duncan for the entertainment during the afternoon. I am sure we are all looking forward to another such occasion, wherever it may be held.

The Clans Congress is actively promoting the establishment of Clan Societies throughout Queensland and the number of Clans which have now joined is 35. It has proven to be a very successful organisation and is being acknowledged for the contribution it is making to help small Clans get established.

KINDRED SOCIETIES: We have good rapport with other kindred societies throughout the year, such as Clan Douglas of North America, the S.A.H.C. many Clan Societies, The Clans Congress of Queensland and the Brisbane Caledonian Society.

In closing I would like to thank all of these organisations for their assistance throughout the year and also to everyone here to-day to help us celebrate another year of achievement and hope that next year we can report a similar success story.

Ron Douglas  
President



I move that my report be accepted.

CLAN DOUGLAS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA  
Treasurer's Report 1971

Mr Chairman, Members and Visitors, It is with great pleasure that I present this, the fifth Annual Treasurer's Report of the Association.

Membership is slightly down this year from last year, from 199 members down to 183. Losing some of our members has been due to the recession. I have had letters from people stating that they can no longer afford to retain their membership. But it is early days yet and subscriptions are still coming in.

Specific details are as follows:

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N.S.W.	39	N.T.	2
Vic.	31	S.A.	7
Qld	70	A.C.T.	1
W.A.	9	N.Z.	19
Scotland	2	England	2
Channel Is.	1		

Life membership has increased from 17 to 20 and we have also introduced a 5 year subscription plan to help those who prefer to pay this way. So far eleven members have availed themselves of this facility.

As you are aware an individual account of amounts owing was sent out in the last newsletter. Obviously this is the way most of you like your reminder notice as it was a tremendous success as can be seen from the balance sheet.

\$3,000 is still invested with Metway Bank on fixed deposit (refer to balance sheet).

Making the ribbon, sashes, car and indoor stickers and Douglas Tartan material available to members is also proving successful. To date eight sashes made by Del Armstrong, Connie Douglas and Shirley Douglas have been sold. Once again we have sold out of ribbon but a new batch is already on its way from Scotland for those wishing to order for Christmas.

Thank you again for all your encouraging letters and Newsletter contributions. Do let us know more of what you would like to hear and know about in the Newsletter.

Unfortunately this has to be my last year as Treasurer of the Association as Jim and I are about to retire and move away from Brisbane. So a special thanks to the Executive and committee for the way they have supported me during the last five years. It was an interesting and rewarding time taking the Association from its beginnings to its present stable position and it has certainly been a pleasure to be part of it all.

I extend my best wishes to the incoming Committee and for the Association's continued success in the future.

*Edith M. Myers*  
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Hon Treasurer.

CLAN DOUGLAS ASSOCIATION TREASURER'S REPORT  
for the year ending 30th September 1991

INCOME for 1990/91	Membership fees	\$ 134.00
	Paid in advance	
	Received during 90/9	\$1390.00

Life membership (10%)	\$1524.00
Sales of past newsletters	\$ 191.82
Interest received Bank	\$ 39.00
Fixed term deposit	\$ 45.20
Sundries	\$ 399.53
Donations	\$ 765.85
	\$ 36.20

\$3001.60

COSTS for 1990/91	Bank fees	\$ 5.35
	Postage	\$ 520.68
	Printing	\$1136.00
	Affiliation fees	\$ 52.00
	Supplies	\$ 414.29
	Insurance and advertising	\$ 336.01
	Meetings	\$ 134.02
	Donations	\$ 50.00
	Research	\$ 133.45

\$2781.8

SURPLUS for 1990/91  
 SURPLUS from previous years  
 Life memberships (future years)  
 Membership fees received in advance

1991/92	\$ 814.00
1992/93	\$ 100.00
1993/94	\$ 90.00
1994/95	\$ 90.00
1995/96	\$ 50.00

\$ 219.8  
 \$2360.98  
 \$1726.38

\$1144.00

CASH in HAND  
 Fixed term DEPOSIT

\$1997.91
\$3634.27
\$5632.18
\$ 181.02

\$5451.16

Cheques issued but not posted

\$5451.16

*Edith Myers*  
 Edith Myers  
 Hon Treasurer

AUDITORS REPORT  
for the year ending September 1990

I have examined the books and records of the CLAN Douglas Association of Australia. They represent a true and fair record of the accounts of the Association.

A.J. DOUGLAS FCPA  
 Hon Auditor

NEWSLETTER EDITOR'S REPORT  
12/10/1991

Mr Chairman, Members of Clan Douglas and Guests, in my absence, for which I apologise, it gives me pleasure to present my report by kind favour by *MRS DELL ARMSTRONG*.

This is the Newsletter Editor's Report to the 5th Annual General Meeting of the Clan Douglas Association of Australia.

The C.D.A.A. newsletter has remained much the same in format, layout and content and the message it endeavours to bring to our widespread members is one of unity and kinship within the whole clan.

This message is brought to you by many of our regular contributors - our President, Ron Douglas reminds us of important issues, of our historical background and often of worthwhile forthcoming events of interest. Our genealogical co-ordinator, Mary Smith always has several pages of early Douglas and sept history, origins of our names and genealogical notes of importance. In Norrie's notes, Norman Douglas in Scotland gives us a firsthand view of many places of residence of our forebears, heraldry and other related material. Shirley Douglas, our secretary, informs us of important dates to remember and later records these events to share with faraway members. Edith Myers provides a regular list of new members. Our Sydney convenor, June Marks always has an eye open for an interesting snippet of information, and a long list of members regularly send in articles of general interest to share in the newsletter. It then becomes my responsibility as editor, to collate and balance this material in each quarterly edition.

I thank all those members who have sent in material for publication and for your support and encouragement, and I hope the steady stream of newsletter material continues to flow to my mailbox.

The cost of printing and posting the newsletter has increased, brought about by increased postal and printing costs and a change of printers. In August for the No 18 Newsletter, the committee decided to try new printers. The inconsistent standard of printing in No 16 had caused us some concern, particularly as many of our members found this issue difficult to read.

I must apologise to some of our clan members whose names were left inadvertently off the list of septs on the front cover of newsletters 17 and 18. The names are Dickey, Douglas, Forrest, Ingles, Sims, Sterritt and Syme. The mistake was my own in not proofreading thoroughly. I do apologise and also thank our member Mr David Sterritt for drawing my attention to this omission.

In conclusion, I wish to thank the loyal and willing band of helpers, Shirley Douglas, Edith Myers, Meg Russell, Dell Armstrong, Connie Douglas, Esme Taylor, Jean Ride11, Bebe Secombe, Sue Douglas and Dawn Roseby who have helped me prepare the newsletter for past this year. My thanks also to the committee for continued support and encouragement throughout the year it is always a pleasure to work with you. Last but not least I wish to add my good wishes to Edith Myers on her retirement; and pay special tribute to the work she has done for the Association since its inauguration in 1986. Edith has brought both conscientious ability and grace to the dual roles of Treasurer and Membership Secretary. I'm sure these sentiments will be echoed by many members who have received from Edith letters of welcome to the Association or a kind and warm word in solving a problem. We will all miss you Edith but I shall look forward to receiving many newsletter articles of interest from you to share with members.

I now move that this report be received and accepted.

*Jean Sloan*

#### ----- GENEALOGICAL CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT 1991 -----

Mr Chairman, members and guests.

It is with pleasure that I present the Genealogical Co-Ordinator's report for 1991.

There has been a considerable amount of correspondence from new and old members of the Clan Douglas Association this past year. I hope I have been able to assist many of you with your enquiries. Unfortunately, there are still members who have not sent in their pedigree charts. Please, let us all help one another! I am pleased to announce the success of one of our members who has recently notified me that she has been able to link up with a name on the Douglas Master Charts. Well done! These charts are still available for sale at \$10-00 per copy and well worth acquiring.

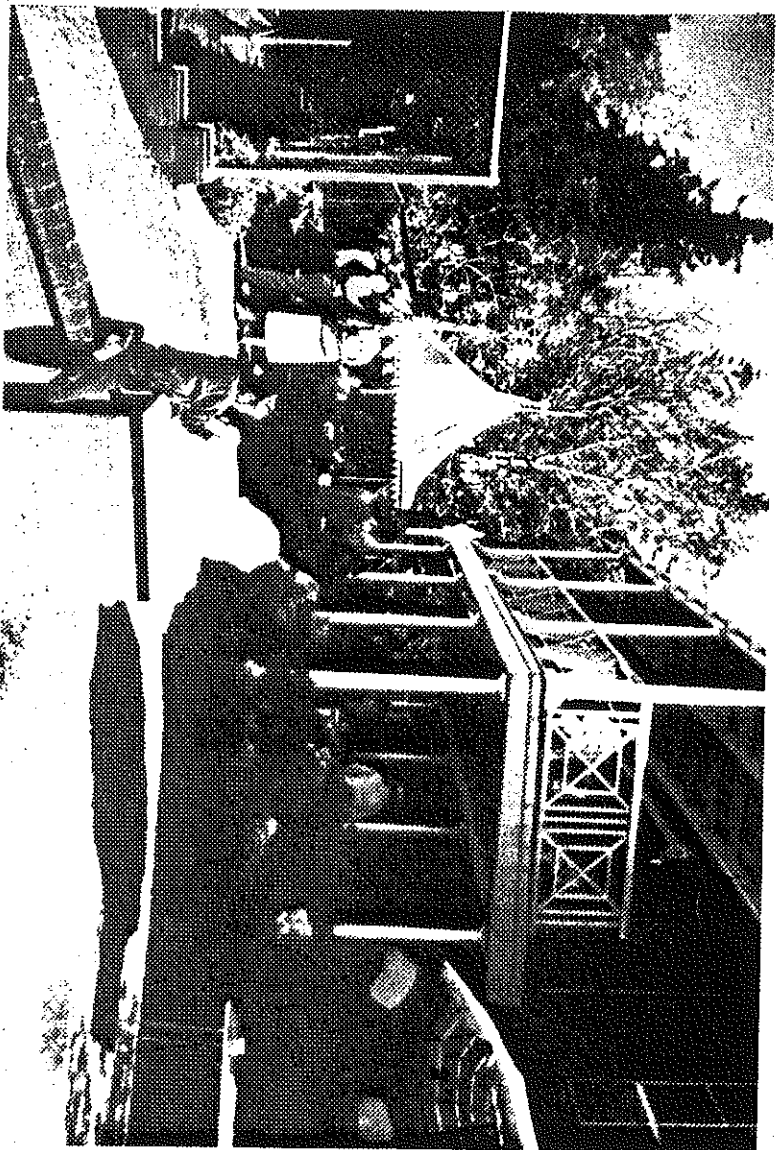
We haven't received many requests for help through our newsletters this year. I urge those of you who require assistance with your research, to insert a notice and make use of this service. Our newsletters are read all over the world not just in Australia and New Zealand. I suggest to those of you who have been successful in your research, that you may like to share a few tips with other members. I have found the Family History Association or Genealogical Society in the town or city from which the family originated in Australia or New Zealand, to be most co-operative for a small fee.

Please let me know your preferences for articles in the newsletters - I welcome all suggestions.

Mr Chairman, I move that my report be received and adopted.

Mary Smith  
Genealogical Co-Ordinator





Clan Picnic at the home of our President, Mr Ron Douglas, Toowoomba.

#### GATHERING OF THE CLAN

Saturday, 31st August, dawned a beautiful spring day - a delightful day in fact, when forty odd members from Toowoomba, The Downs, Brisbane, Ipswich and Bribe Island, journeyed to Toowoomba for the Association's annual picnic and get together.

In the beautiful garden of the home of our President, Ron Douglas and his wife Merle, just a little way down the Old Tolbar Road, members enjoyed catching up with the Douglasses they had not seen for a while, and some they knew only by name. Mary Smith, our Genealogical Co-ordinator, displayed a master chart, along with a variety of reference books. Many availed themselves of the information before them and left with renewed enthusiasm to carry on with their own family charts.

During the afternoon we were entertained by a group of charming young Scottish dancers from the Elizabeth Browne's School of Dance. Charlie Duncan, a member of the Toowoomba Caledonian Society and the dancer's official piper, played during the day. The gathering ended all too soon. One member said to me, "the valleys below the range sure echoed of the Scots today".

If you were among the crowd this year, we look forward to you joining us in Brisbane in 1992.

Shirley Douglas - Secretary

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What charms are there in the harmony of friends and in friendships  
founded on mutual esteem and gratitude.

David Hume

Friendship is the wine of life.  
Edward Young.

#### NORRIE'S NOTES NO. 23

When a Scottish person, or a person with Scottish ancestors decide they would like a Coat of Arms, they must apply to the Lord Lyon who has complete authority over all Arms in Scotland, and a lot more, and complete authority over what Arms he would grant to any person. To qualify for consideration for a grant of Arms, a person must not have been in jail, must not have been a bankrupt, and must be able to prove both their father's family and their mother's family back for at least three generations.

The Lord Lyon will always listen to special requests, and he and his staff are always very considerate, but the Lord Lyon does have the final say as to what Arms, if any, will be granted.

#### NORRIE'S NOTES NO. 24

The following information was given to me by my friend Jimmy Reid and his son Graham, in 1982.

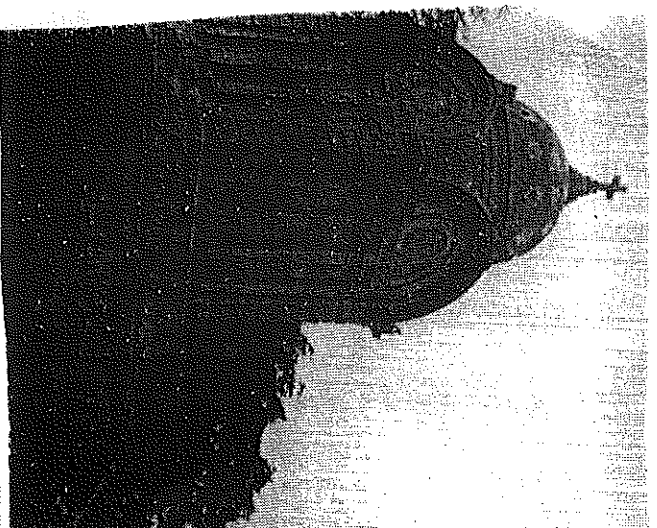
Six miles north-west of Jedburgh on the A68 road, is a place called Lilliardsedge where there is a large memorial.

The building is a mausoleum with a dome on top of it, which can be seen from a good distance away. Inside is a raised coffin, with large carved stone Angels, one at each end. Outside the entrance door are two carved stone lions. All this is surrounded by a steel fence.

Above the door is a Coat of Arms carved in stone.

The following transcription is carved:-

In Memory of General Thomas Monteath Douglas of Stonebyres,  
Lenarkshire, who died XVIII October MDCCCLXIII.



# ROOTS '93

*Thanks: His Grace the Duke of Buccleuch and Queensberry KT  
The Rt Hon. The Earl of Saird KCVO, 3<sup>rd</sup> DEE  
The Rt Hon. The Earl of Arundale and Harfield DL  
Sir Crispin Agnew of Lochnaw, Bt., Righteous Herald*

ROOTS '93 (International Family Association for Dumfries & Galloway) initiated and supported by Dumfries & Galloway Tourist Board and involving S.W. of Scotland families and clans, already has many events planned for the ten days of festival from 21st to 31st May, 1993.

A steering committee has been formed of local business and professional people with representatives of district and regional councils. Many families have expressed interest including Jardine, Hannay, Paisley, Armstrong, Bruce, Cumming, Dalrymple, Elliot, Gordon, Graham, Grierson, Johnstone, Maxwell, Bell, Moffat and Scott, and plan to hold their own events all over the region — parties, meetings, barbecues and visits to sites of family interest. A number of families have Associations of their own both in the U.K. and abroad (mainly U.S.A.) and every attempt is being made to ensure their involvement. Public events planned include a Medieval Spectacular, Grand Clan Ball, a Robert the Bruce' enactment of a scenario by Nigel Tranter, and an inter-family Golf Tournament. The Convener of Heads of Families is Dr. Bruce Irving, who is Vice-Chairman of our Society, and the Secretary is also a Council member of D. & G. F.H.S. — Madam McKerrill of Hillhouse, Magdalene House, Lochmaben, Dumfriesshire DG11 1PD.

## SOCIETY MEETINGS

### 'The Holdings of Dumfries Archive Centre' —

#### Miss Marion Stewart, archivist

ON 5th February at the Station Hotel, Dumfries, Mr Sandy Hall, Chairman, welcomed a good attendance of members including some from Yorkshire, Berkshire and Lanarkshire. Tribute was paid to Rev. Bill Aitken, a founder member who had recently died. Speaker for the evening was Miss Marion Stewart who spoke about the holdings of Dumfries Archive Centre, concentrating on those of most use in genealogical research. Using the title 'Beyond the Census', Miss Stewart suggested one should think of the person behind the record — Prison, Burgh and Police records are among those which provide much information; in the Burgh lists tradesmen are registered back to 1643; in the Police Law record (1795-1887) are found names of those responsible for the upkeep of roads. Major Record Classes held at Dumfries Archive Centre are as follows:

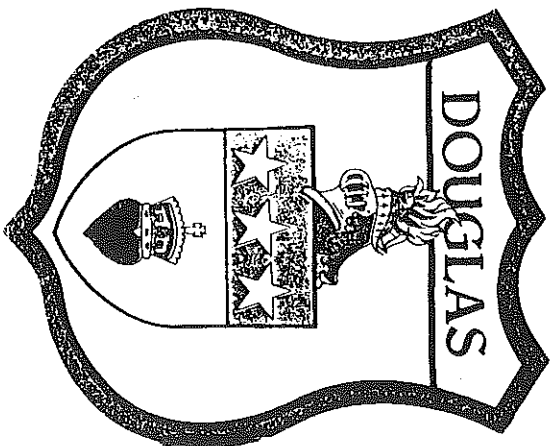
1. **COUNCIL BOOKS**
  - (a) Burgeses.
  - (b) Mortification rolls.
  - (c) Appointment of constables, road trustees, stent masters and committee members.
  - (d) Roup of dues (also roup lists from poindings book 1791-1800).
  - (e) Rental of common good (feu rental rolls 1674-1773 and feu rental map 1837).
  - (f) Petitions.
  - (g) Kirkcudbright Council 1576-1658 (printed and index).

(NB. Microfilms of Council Minutes of Annan 1678-1712 and Kirkcudbright 1658-1714)
- Finding Aids:** (i) Burgess lists (ii) Index 1732-1832 (iii) Index-cum-synopsis 1730-40.
2. **FINANCIAL RECORDS**
  - (a) Treasurer's accounts 1633 —
  - (b) Chamberlains' accounts 1773-1814.
  - (c) Burgh revenues (also feu rentals and roup lists above):
    - shipping dues 1731-1820 (tonnages & dues payable) and anchorage book 1750-62.
    - ale impost papers 1718-1830 and ledgers 1720-1801.
  - (d) Church Sittings Books, Dumfries 1774-1868.
  - (e) Police tax 1795-1810 (arrears), 1811-87 (gaps).
  - (f) Stent rolls 1698-1839 (gaps).
  - (g) Assessed taxes.
    - window tax 1747, 1797, 1805, 1829.
    - land tax (cess) 1813-65 (gaps).
    - for expenses of registration of voters, births etc. and for Valuation and Prison Acts (Dumfries) 1863-82.
    - for upkeep of prison, Maxwelltown 1845-56.
    - for poor relief and public health, Sanguhar 1888-89.
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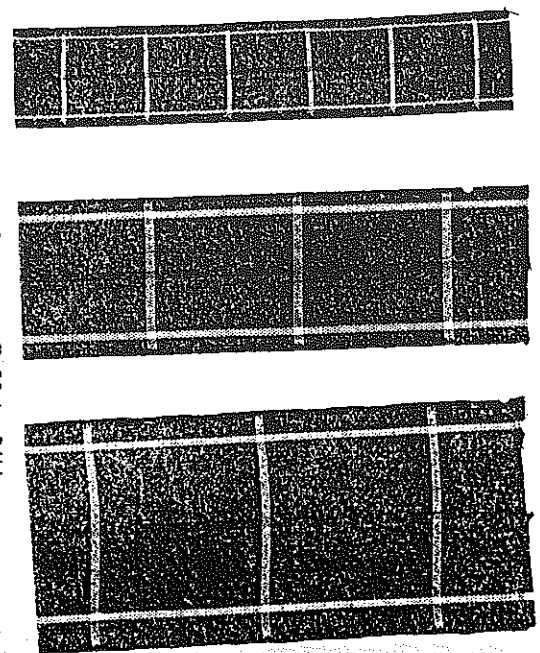
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  - (a) Enrolment claims (Dumfries and Maxwelltown 1832-73 (gaps).
  - (b) Voters' Rolls, Dumfries, 1783-1959 (gaps). Part & Municipal.
  - (c) Voters' Rolls, Annan, Kirkcudbright, Lochmaben, Sanguhar, Maxwelltown 1832 etc.
  - (d) Poll Books, Dumfries 1832-69 — municipal & 1 Part.
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  - (a) Burgh Court Books 1506-37, 1561-89; Deeds, Processes, Protests, Petitions 1582-1893.
  - (b) Diet Books 1658-1832.
  - (c) Porteous Rolls/Indictment Books 1679-1886.
  - (d) Kirkcudbright Sheriff Court Deeds 1623-1700 (printed & index).

(NB. Microfilms of Court Books of Kirkcudbright 1670-83, Lochmaben 1612-1715, Stranraer 1684-1700 and Wigtown 1512-35).
- (e) Bail Bond Registers 1775-1819.
- (f) Jail Books 1721-1839 (index being prepared).
5. **CHURCH POOR BOARD and EDUCATION**
  - (a) Registers of baptisms, marriages and burials — Cameronian baptisms & marriages 1706-44; Dalbeattie Catholic baptisms and marriages 1814-56; Dumfries Catholic baptisms, marriages and confirmations 1818-57; Kirkcudbright House baptisms, marriages and confirmations 1738-1976; New Abbey baptisms 1876-1922 and Wesleyan Methodist baptisms 1796-1924.

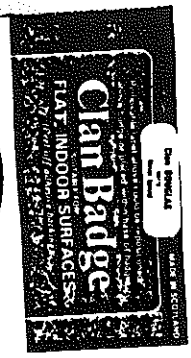
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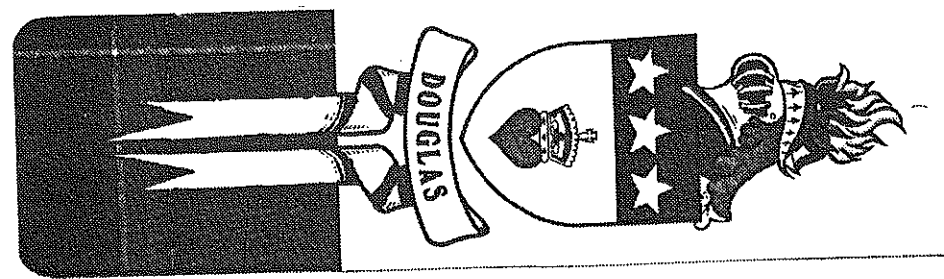
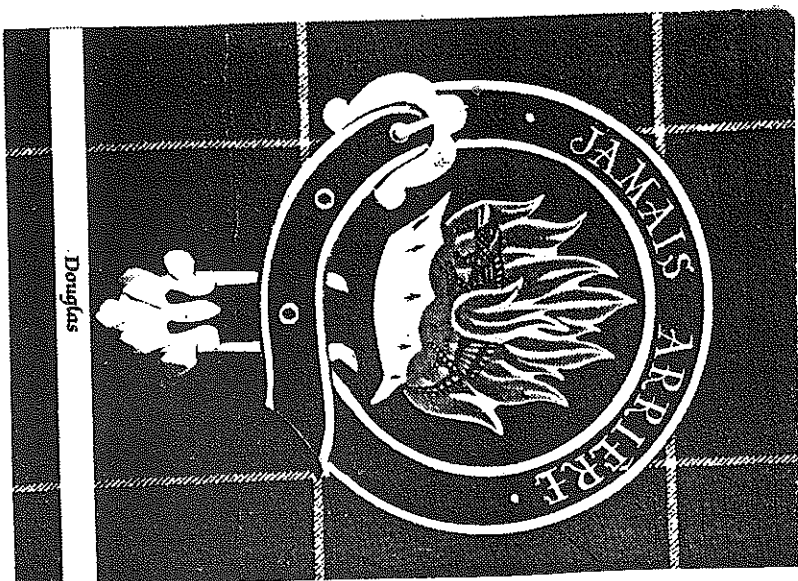
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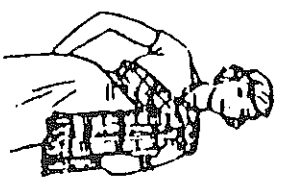


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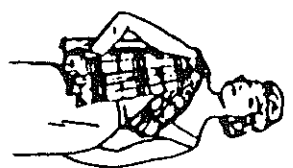
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I hope many of our Clan members will be able to travel to Glen Innes for the Inauguration of the Stones on 1st. February 1992.

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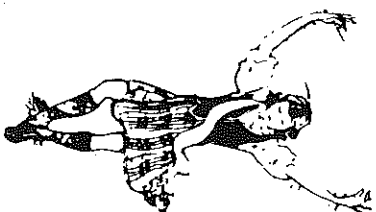


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JUST for today I will try to live through this day only, and not tackle my whole life problem at once. I can do something for twelve hours that would appall me if I felt I had to keep it up for a lifetime.

Just for today I will be happy. This assumes to be true that "Most folks are as happy as they make up their minds to be."

Just for today, I will adjust myself to what is, and not try to adjust everything to my own desires. I will take my "luck" as it comes, and fit myself to it.

Just for today I will try to strengthen my mind. I will study, I will learn something useful. I will not be a mental loafer. I will read something that requires effort, thought and concentration.

Just for today I will exercise my soul in three ways: I will do somebody a good turn and not get found out; if anybody knows of it, it will not count. I will do at least two things I

don't want to do - just for exercise. I will not show anyone that my feelings are hurt; they may be hurt, but today I will not show it.

Just for today I will be agreeable. I will look as well as I can, dress becomingly, talk low, act, courteously, criticize not one bit, not find fault with anything and not try to improve or regulate anybody but myself.

Just for today I will have a program. I may not follow it exactly, but I will have it. I will save myself from two pests: hurry and indecision.

Just for today I will have a quiet half hour all by myself, and relax. During this half hour, some time I will try to get a better perspective of my life.

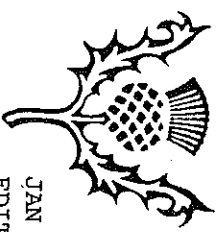
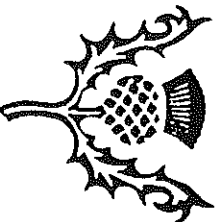
Just for today I will be unafraid. Especially I will not be afraid to enjoy what is beautiful, and to believe that as I give to the world, so the Father will give to me.

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A Merry Christmas to all our members and may the New Year be filled with Good Health, Good Luck and Happiness.

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