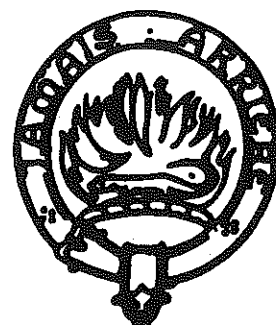


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BELL, BLACKLOCK, BLACKSTOCK, BLACKWOOD, BROWN, BROWNLEE, CAVERS,
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On the list of sept families there are some who are recognised as belonging to other clans. It is therefor necessary to know your lineage in order to prove association. Clan Douglas 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.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, 11th OCTOBER, 1997. PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Welcome members to our 11th A.G.M. It gives me much pleasure to be with you again to outline to you and newsletter recipients, a resume of our activities over the past year.

Firstly we must remember the passing of our Patron, Sir Sholto Douglas, who was gracious enough to lend his patronage to our Society since its inception. Our condolences are extended to his family.

Last year in this venue, Merle and I were privileged to be guests of honour at this luncheon in recognition of my O.A.M. award. It was a memorable occasion and I thank the committee for this kind action.

Later in the year we were pleased to see our member Jock Douglas also receive an award of the A.O. for his contribution to primary industry and to conservation, particularly through the Cattleman's Union of Australia. He also received the McKell Medal 1997 for his services to Landcare Australia.

The Member's Profile has been an interesting segment and I know we all like reading these submissions to see how they relate to our own family histories. Please keep them rolling in.

Mary Smith's contribution of early Douglas History gives us a fair insight into the lifestyles of our ancestors, giving us some indications how prominent this family of ours has been over the last one thousand years. In one instance, confirming this, is the history of the family of the Honourable John Douglas C.M.G., contributed by a descendant Dr. R.A. Douglas which makes worthwhile reading.

Continuing articles by Norman Douglas on various families is also absorbing information and perhaps members can align themselves with these ancestors. Norman has not been keeping the best of health and we wish him well to continue his desire to see a Douglas Chief appointed. Moves are afoot in this direction, but it could be a long, lengthy resolve.

We thank David and Dawn Roseby for their generous donation of a magnificent brass 'Douglas' doorknocker, illustrated in the previous newsletter. This will be raffled today to some lucky winner.

Most people have heard of St. Andrew, the Patron Saint of Scotland, but have not known much about him, so this was resolved in the June, 1997 issue which gave us a full account of his origin and life.

Thanks to our Newsletter Editor, Jan Shaw, we have been much enlightened on both ours and Scottish history generally. We also appreciate the working bee which gets together to organise the mailing of these newsletters.

Through the year the Bannockburn Dinner was held at the usual venue, the Queensland Irish Club, as was the Clans Congress ceilidh which had a reserved table for Douglasses, and I know members enjoyed this evening.

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KNOW YOUR ROOTS.

Mrs Mary Smith Genealogical Co-ordinator.

Sir William Douglas of Kelhead, fourth Baronet, was member of Parliament for Dumfries Burghs from 1768 to 1780. He died 16 May 1783, having married at Edinburgh 21 Mar 1772, Grace, eldest daughter and co-heiress of William Johnstone of Lockerby. Their issue-

1. Charles, who succeeded and became fifth Marquess of Queensberry
2. Archibald Johnston, officer 18th Regiment of Foot, lost in the Courageux on the Barbary Coast, 2 Dec 1796. Unmarried.

3. John, succeeded as sixth marquess

4. Henry Alexander, b. 7 Oct 1781; d. 16 Mar 1837; m. 31 Aug 1812, Elizabeth (d. 1837), d/o Robert Dalzell of Glenae. Issue.

5. William Robert Keith, b. 1783; d. 5 Dec 1859; merchant in London; Member of Parliament for Dumfriesshire from 1812-1832; Lord of the Admiralty in February and March 1822, and again from 1822 till the fall of the Liverpool Ministry. He had a patent of precedence as the younger son of a Marquess 4 May 1837. m. 24 Nov 1821, Elizabeth (d. 25 Apr 1864) eldest d/o Walter Irvine of Luddingston House, Surrey. Issue.

6. Mary, m. 20 Mar 1817, Major-General Sir Thomas Sidney Beckwith, K.C.B. (d. 15 Jan 1831). She d. 15 Jan 1841.

7. Christian, d. 27 Jan 1847.

8. Catherine Heron, d. 26 Jan 1840.

9. Elizabeth Christian.

1. Sir Charles Douglas of Kelhead, born Mar 1777, and succeeded his father as fifth Baronet in 1783, and his cousin the fourth Duke of Queensberry in 1810, in the marquessate and earldom of Queensberry, and as Viscount Drumlanrig and Lord Douglas of Hawick and Tibberis, being collateral heir-male to the marquessate and lineal heir-male to the other honours. His right was acknowledged by the House of Lords 9 Jul 1812, with precedence as a marquess next above the Marquess of Tweeddale, as his predecessor at the date of the Union and stood on the roll by the higher title of Duke. He was created a Knight of the Thistle 17 Jul 1821, and on the 7 Jun 1833 Baron Solway of Kinmount, co. Dumfries, with remainder to the heirs-male of his body. He was Lord Lieutenant of Dumfriesshire and colonel of the Dumfries Militia, and a Lord-in-waiting to Queen Victoria in 1837. He died 3 Dec 1837, aged 60, at St James's Palace. His peerage then became extinct. He married 13 Aug 1803, at Richmond, Caroline Scott Montague, b. 6 Jul 1774, d. Buté House, Petersham, 29 Apr 1854, 3rd d/o Henry, third Duke of Buccleuch and fifth Duke of Queensberry. Their issue -

1.a Caroline Elizabeth, b. 11 Jul 1804; d. 7 Apr 1811.

1.b Louisa Anne, b. 24 Jun 1806; d. 31 Aug 1871; m. 11 April 1833, Thomas Charton Whitmore, M.P., of Apley Park, Salop (d. 13 Mar 1865).

1.c Mary Elizabeth, b. 4 Nov 1807; d. 16 May 1888; m. 17 Feb 1831 Rev. Thomas Wentworth Gage, Vicar of Higham Ferrers (d. 19 Mar 1837).

1.d Harriet Christian, b. 22 Jul 1809; d. 26 Jul 1902; m. 13 May 1841, Hon. and Very Rev. Augustus Duncombe, Dean of York, sixth s/o Charles, first Lord Feversham (d. 26 Jan 1880). Issue

1.e Jane Margaret Mary, b. 15 Jan 1811; d. 15 Apr 1881; m. 27 Jan 1841, her cousin, Robert Johnstone Douglas of Lockerby (d. 12 Nov 1866).

1.f Frances Caroline, d. 25 Oct 1827.

1.g Elizabeth Katinka, d. 26 Apr 1874; m. 7 Nov 1861, Henry St George Foote.

1.h Anne Georgina, d. 28 Nov 1899; m. 11 Dec 1845, Charles Stirling Home Drummond Moray of Abercairney (d. 24 Sep 1891.)

NOTABLE DOUGLAS

The Final Chapters of --- THE HON. JOHN DOUGLAS, C.M.G.
1828 - 1904

by Dr. R.A.Douglas, AM

Continuation of 'THE HON. JOHN DOUGLAS, CMG' by Dr R.A.Douglas, AM

In 1904, he was stricken by an illness which lasted six weeks and was described by his doctor, Dr. J.Leatham Wassell as ileo-colitis. Now the appendix lies at the junction of the ileum and the colon. Did he have what was later known as appendicitis? The disease had always been about, but it was probably quite rare. Certainly it is still very rare in countries where there is a lot of roughage in the food. The name appendicitis was given to it in the 1880s and in the 1890s, the Americans were operating to remove the inflamed organ and surgeon Treves removed the appendix of King Edward VII, the day before his coronation was due. It is said the disease became common from the 1890s on, when steel rolling mills for flour were introduced. The roughage in flour was reduced. Prior to this flour had always been stone ground. The illness may have been due to something else, but I think the above speculation stands up.

In the emergency, family differences were resolved and the front room of Sarah's house was made a sort of infirmary and John was brought down from the Residency and was looked after by Sarah and the two boys namely Henry and Hugh, who were living at T.I. at the time. This was the year that Edward was admitted to the Bar and Robert obtained his B.A. degree. Before his sudden illness, John Douglas had been in the best of health both physical and mental. He made his last island tour only three weeks before his illness and for a man aged 76, people marvelled at his physical and intellectual vigour.

I only became aware of the severe family marital problems about 1970. I asked my father then when he was aged 87, if he could expound on the problem. All he said of his mother was "she worshipped the ground on which he trod" in respect to John Douglas and that was the end of the conversation. Sarah Douglas was loved and held in high regard by all her sons, though with her daughters-in-law, it was a different matter. She disapproved of the four of them and they of her to varying degrees. My father, perhaps as the youngest, was particularly attached to his mother and in 1925 when my mother's mother, who lived with us, died, he proposed that his mother leave Brisbane and come to live with us in Townsville. My mother said that if that happened she would walk out.

The four boys adored their father and when he was buried at a site he had selected himself overlooking the sea of the Albany Pass approach to T.I., erected a granite obelisk over his grave on which was engraved "Write me as one who loved his fellow men". To this day, the grave is kept in good condition as the result of a Trust established by his son Edward and still kept going by his family. Adjacent and just down the hill and probably getting a better view of the Albany Pass, is the grave of Dr. J.Leatham Wassell, who strangely enough, died as the result of being struck by a stingray barb, a very rare event. There is a monument to him in Douglas Street, the main street of T.I., stating that he was known never to have refused to see a patient. He was very highly regarded in the Strait. Incidentally, the street next to Douglas Street is called John Street.

So popular was John Douglas with the Islanders that they collected a sum of money to erect a chapel attached to The Quetta Memorial Cathedral, with a stained glass window in the chapel depicting John Douglas as St John. On the wall of the chapel is a brass plate stating "Honoured and loved by all". Torres Strait Islanders were certainly lucky to be in the care of John Douglas for so long and in the care of his predecessor, Mr Chester and his successor Mr Milman. But for these three, there would

probably be no Mabo debate.

There is no doubt that as a squatter, John Douglas was a disaster. As a politician, which occupied 20 years of his life in N.S.W. and Queensland, he attained modest success, but was probably not devious enough to be a really successful politician. His most successful time as a politician was during the four years that he represented Maryborough right at the end of his political career.

In his new career which lasted 20 years as an administrator in New Guinea and Torres Strait he found his true niche in life. He was described as "the erudite Administrator". He always kept up with his reading of learned publications and books.

His memory lives on among his grandchildren. We have all heard tales about him from our fathers. His memory was also strong in Torres Strait for many years after his death and there are memorials there to remind people of him, but I doubt if modern day Torres Strait Islanders realise how much they owe to him.

For many years, I have collected information about John Douglas from various sources and of course, I have in my possession, the miniature of his great grandfather, the daguerreotype taken in 1850, his brandy flask of about the same date, the long tobacco pipe from the Canary Islands and a lock of his snow white hair.

It has been an opportunity and a privilege to clarify my views for the National Town Criers and for the City of Maryborough.

(Lecture delivered to the Australian Town Criers at Maryborough on the 2nd September 1993.

Dr. R.A.Douglas, AM



Eagle of st. John in a circle above Lion of St. Mark and Ox of st. Luke.
Gospel of St. Mark, Book of Kells.

FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK.

A.G.M. held on Sat., 11th October, 1997

This year we decided not to print individual reports to the A.G.M. but to condense them to a short summary

COMMITTEE ELECTIONS

The same Committee was re-elected without opposition. Some concern was voiced that we need new and young blood on the Committee, have members any ideas of how to resolve this problem

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THE DOORKNOCKER COMPETITION was a great success, the lucky winner was MRS. S.F. McAULIFFE, WAVERTON, NSW Ticket no. E 182 .CONGRATULATIONS, And Thank-you to all those who supported it. Thank-you to David & Dawn Roseby for donating the prize.

A.G.M. REPORTS

TREASURERS' REPORT - DAWN ROSEBY.

After income and expenses were accounted for, the C.D.A.A. has a BANK BALANCE of \$7,277.22.

GENEALOGICAL CO-ORDINATORS' REPORT MARY SMITH.

A quiet year, little correspondence, research queries are needed, so if you need researching your family, please send details to Mary Smith or Jan Shaw, for inclusion in the Newsletter.. Mary Smith is also librarian for C.D.A.A. & welcomes any details of Douglas or Sept family publications or general Douglas History.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR JAN SHAW.

The printing of C.D.A.A. newsletters was cut down from 4 to 3 issues per year. MARCH, JUNE and NOVEMBER. Articles of general interest, members profiles, family news, one liners etc. etc., are needed for future newsletters, so please keep them coming in. Jan thanked all the helpers who come regularly to her house to package and sort ther newsletters for post.

Queen's Birthday honour for cattleman

Roma grazier and conservationist Mr Jock Douglas has been appointed an Officer in the Order of Australia (AO) in a clutch of awards to Southern Queensland residents in the Queen's Birthday Honours List.

Mr Douglas, of Wyoming, outside Roma, has been recognised for his service to primary industry and conservation, particularly through the Cattlemen's Union of Australia and the Queensland Landcare Council.

He was president of the Cattlemen's Union, 1986-89, and was a member of related committees in-

cluding the National Farmers' Federation, 1984-87, and the Cattle Council of Australia, 1986-89. In the 1970s he was foundation chairman of the Mitchell branch of the Cattlemen's Union.

He has devoted many years to preventing land degradation and has participated in many national forums on conservation. He has been a member of the Queensland Landcare Council since 1993 and is current chairman of several related landcare groups. Last year he was awarded the Jock McKell Medal by the Agriculture and Resource Management Council of Australia and New Zealand.

Mr Douglas said it was daunting to be singled out in this way.

"There are so many people involved in Landcare — 30,000 across Australia — but it is good to see its work recognised," he said.

"Primary producers have now come to recognise they have to manage land sustainably. The awareness is there, though the ability to do it is still difficult with ongoing hard times and drought. The knowledge is there, too, that this is not going to go away in a difficult, fragile environment."



MR JOCK DOUGLAS: Recognition in the Queen's Birthday Honours for his contribution to the cattle industry and conservation.

From ---
THE CHRONICLE
Toowoomba
June 9, 1997.



NORRIE'S NOTES NO.50

CLIFTON HALL.

The history of Clifton Hall in West Lothian goes back to 1165, but the Douglas family owned Clifton Hall from about 1574 to about 1700.

In 1574 the Douglasses of Borgue had an interest in Clifton Hall, and in 1642, 1648 and 1650 James Douglas of Clifton Hall is mentioned. Archibald Douglas of Clifton Hall registered Arms with the Lord Lyon in 1677.

The present building is a large baronial type castle, but was built in 1857, so the Douglasses would have stayed in was a little to the north of the present building and is known to have been demolished when the present building was constructed. Perhaps we could search to find any old paintings of the old building.

The present building is used as a private school and the Headmaster is very interested in all its history.

REDHUEGH DEAN 1448 The 'Black' Douglas army defeats Percy's forces. ----- by Andrew Spratt.



CELTS

Some 600 years before the beginning of the Christian era, Europe was occupied by a restless tribal and warlike people, known collectively to the Greeks and Romans as Celts, and united more by language and culture than by race. They were barbarians but that did not mean necessarily that they were either untutored or unskilled, for the Celts were master metalsmiths. From bronze and iron they produced tools and weapons and they used gold and silver to fashion jewellery of the utmost delicacy.

It was true, of course, that the Celts rarely used a written language - their language was handed down from one generation to the next by word of mouth. They never managed to found an empire or even establish a stable state, but they are seen by many today as the founders of the continent of Europe. The Greek author, Diodorus

Siculus, writing in the first century BC states that the Celts were a distinctive people both in their appearance and their way of life. "They are tall in stature and their flesh is very moist and white, while their hair is not only naturally blond, but they also artificial means to increase this natural quality of colour. For they continually wash their hair with lime-wash and the hair is so thickened by this treatment that it differs in no way from a horse's mane".

They lived for the most part in simple homesteads scattered over the vast tracts of temperate Europe rather than in the polished cities of the Mediterranean. Yet there was contact between barbarian and the civilised. A lively trade had grown up, the Celts receiving luxuries like wine from the south and sending in return metals, salt and sometimes slaves. In the north of Scotland, in the Shetland Islands, stands the Broch at Mousa, a circular stone building with double walls a massive nine metres thick and rising to a height of about thirteen metres. Over a considerable part of Central Europe strange shafts have been found dug into the ground, and one found in Bavaria was 40 metres deep. What use the Celts made of these shafts and why they felt it necessary to burrow so deep into

the earth remains something of a mystery. Were these simply wells or were the Celts trying to communicate with the gods of the underworld?

In common with many primitive peoples the Celts had no ordered family of gods like those of the Greeks and Romans. Each tribe had its own deities and cults and literally hundreds of names of gods and goddesses have come down through the centuries.

The female deities are often associated with springs and the sources of great rivers like the goddess Sequana who presided over the waters of the River Seine in France and who was reputed to have remarkable healing powers. Like all other gods she needed to be appeased - and the custom continues - why else do we throw coins into a fountain?



In battle the Celts were a fearsome assembly and many fought naked except for the gold neckring that was meant to ward off evil and injury. Others swept across the battlefield in their famous two-horse war chariots hacking at the enemy with their swords. Selected warriors would strut before the foe hurling insults before challenging him to single combat. They were obsessed with the idea of individual glory and brave to the point of recklessness and the trophies that they prized before all others were human heads. The head was preserved as a priceless heirloom giving protection and providing a constant reminder of the owner's greatness. It was often sculpted in stone and carved from wood and it appears as decoration on pottery and survives on metal buckets, basins and bowls, on the handles of swords and even on an axle lynch pin used to secure the wheel to the chariot. The Celts believed the severed head possessed magical powers and it remained alive after the death of the body.

In the long run the Roman Legions were to prove both more disciplined and much stronger than the Celts and gradually the remnants of the Celtic peoples were pushed further and further west to the outer fringes of Europe.

BBC World Service.

The Eucalypt Song

I am the very model of a stress-adapted
Eucalypt
To cope with all environmental stresses
I am well equipped
I know that some professors think that
both these terms are meaningless
And yet I know all botanists are sure to
use them none-the-less!

I easily cope with bushfire with my
regrowth ligno-tuberos,
And also epicormic (and the latter are
more numerous).
I've now gone international with
branches in Nigeria
In Israel, California, Malaysia and
Liberia.

Though my distribution spreads around
the edges of Australia
Yet in the arid center, I'm a rather
dismal failure
Still for travel international I am
extremely well equipped
I am the very model of a migratory
Eucalypt.

My roots have mycorrhizas, both
vascular arbuscular
And also ectotropic (and the latter look
more muscular)
And yet I suffer die-back from the
spreading of Phytophthora
I wonder would it help if I pretend I'm
an Angophora?

In fact when I know what is meant by
tolerating water-stress
When I can shut my stomates and retain
my turgor more or less
If only all those caterpillars would not
take a bite of me
You'd say no better stress-adapted plant
is known to Botany.

Still my distributions patterns are
extremely enigmatical
My origins, obscure, my systematics
problematical
In fact, to puzzle botanists I am
extremely well-equipped
I am the very model of an Academic
Eucalypt.

Harold Beer
(apologies to W.S. Gilbert)

85 year old poet --- sent in by member Jill Hunter of Moonambel Vic



THE MORE YOU GIVE,
THE MORE YOU GET,
THE MORE YOU LAUGH,
THE LESS YOU FRET;
THE MORE YOU DO UNSELFISHLY,
THE MORE YOU LIVE, ABUNDANTLY,
THE MORE OF EVERYTHING YOU SHARE,
THE MORE YOU'LL ALWAYS HAVE TO SPARE,

THE MORE YOU LOVE,
THE MORE YOU'LL FIND,
THAT LIFE IS GOOD,
AND FRIENDS ARE KIND,
FOR ONLY WHAT
WE GIVE AWAY,
ENRICHES US FROM DAY TO DAY.

Thank you to Edith van Driel, member 148, for sending the following "Douglas" odds & ends for research purposes.

Dear Mrs. Shaw,

The following are Douglas odds and ends I have jotted down over the last few years while doing research on different lines of my family and I thought they may be of interest to other members. Although some of them may not enhance the Douglas name, they are interesting and the young boys in prison in Glasgow in the 1871 Census maybe a missing link from someone's family tree. I only viewed one film for this census for Glasgow and although I came across other Douglas families, they were born mostly in Glasgow, so I did not note the details but these were born in other parts of Scotland or Ireland. Most of the people lived in tiny cramped tenements and worked in the mines and mills and reading these census returns gives one an idea of how bad the living standards were at that time.

Glasgow Reformatory Inst. and Boys House of Refuge, 327 Duke St.
William Douglas 15 youthful offender woodsplitter born in Fifeshire, Dumfermline
Thomas Douglas 11 scholar, youthful offender " " Lanarkshire, Hamilton
Henry Douglas 11 " " " " Ireland

Inner High North Prison of Glasgow 71 Duke St.
James Douglas 18 unmar. criminal prisoner baker " " Renfrewshire, Cathcart
William Douglas 16 " " shoemaker " " Wigtownshire, Stranraer

Gilchrist's Monumental Inscriptions for Luce Burial Ground (near Hoddam Dumfriesshire)

"The laird of Luce, it is understood, was great grandson of Archibald Douglas of Dornock who was the second son of Dornock by a daughter of Sir James Johnstone of Westerhall. This Douglas was mentally unstable or at least when liquor affected him to that degree, that on one occasion he cut off the ear of one of his ploughmen and on a second occasion, shot one of his male servants, before his wife's eyes. His final act was the shooting of one of his farmers. For this latter act, he was tried but found insane and kept at Dumfries for the rest of his life. There is a tablet with three heater type shields and a stone inscribed at the base " Archibald Douglas of Morton, erected this stone 1784. "

No.24." Archibald Little in Park, he fell a victim to the malice of William Douglas, late proprietor of Luce, who having threatened to murder him, actually perpetrated the same at Luce without any provocation, by shooting him with a pistol on the morning, Friday, 24th July, 1795. He was aged 35 years, 3 months eleven days. His corporeal remains were deposited here."

Note: Somewhere, I remember reading of a Douglas who had killed and cut up a kitchen boy (I think) and had started cooking him when discovered by the family. I think it could have been the above William Douglas or of the same family. I just can't find this gruesome story at present.)

"Coat of Arms - Millar-- found on gravestones in a number of burial grounds (in above area) with slight variation, obviously a true bearing but interesting in view of the charge showing the 'coeur' or heart. There is a possibility that this family may have been allied in some manner with the Douglasses who actually carry the same achievement."

In Nov. 1833 the ship "*Persian*" arrived at Hobart Town. Among the passengers, were my gr. grandfather, Richard Henry Oakes, who was then a 12 yr. old boy and also Major Sholto Douglas and his family. My gr. gr grandfather, Henry Robert Oakes and Major Douglas were among those who signed a letter of thanks to the captain, for the safe voyage. I believe it was this Major Douglas who helped round up the aboriginals at that time and I have been told by member, Mr. Dan Cerchi, that he was possibly of the Queensberry family. W.T.N. Champ was with Douglas's Regiment earlier and later became Colonial Secretary and the first Premier of Tasmania. H.R. Oakes named one of his sons Douglas Champ Oakes (b. 1834 and who in turn, named one of his sons Sholto) and I have found that H.R.'s unmarried daughter Helen Oakes, died at 37 Canynge Square, Clifton, Bristol, Somerset, England, in Jan 1892. She was not on the 1891 census for that address but Emily Douglas, widow, 59, born in Antwich, Lancashire, was head, and her son Stam (or Stan) Douglas, 23, born in Hardwick, Gloucester (sic) was residing with her. Who could these Douglas be? Could Emily have been Major Douglas's wife or sister-in-law? The mother of the Oakes children was Harriet Macdonald, gr.gr.gr.granddaughter of Macdonald, 3rd Baronet of Sleat, and his wife Lady Margaret Douglas (dau. of the Earl of Morton) so maybe Emily Douglas's husband was from that line ..

Portsea Parish Register, Hampshire.
 1756 May 19 Ann Sarah d. Major Patrick Douglas & Catherine.
 1758 Sept. 15 Catherine d. Patrick & Catherine Douglas

1790 Dec. 16 Sophia d. Sir Andrew Snipe Douglas.
 (I am not sure if these entries were births or burials as they were all entered in the same register and I forgot to recheck. E.v.D)

The following is from a volume of the Centenary of N.S.W. 1888.
 Orange.

"James Douglas, builder and contractor, born in Haddingtonshire, Scotland, in 1836. Received a rudimentary education, learned his trade at Tranent and came to Australia in 1854. Arriv. Melb. visited Campbell Creek and pursued goldmining at Tarrengower and other diggings in Vic. and N.S.W. In 1858 he went to Louisa Creek and Ironbarks, Stony Creek and a year later arrived in Orange--- made a short visit to Bathurst, Forbes and Lucknow and in 1864, returned and settled in Orange as builder and contractor. He erected the P.O. and railway station and most railway stations as far as Bourke. Also Dubbo courthouse and many other important buildings in Bathurst and a large number of private residence and shops in the district. Mr. Douglas is a member of the Ophir Lodge and a alderman for Victoria Ward. He marr. and has two sons and one dau. and respected as an enterprising citizen and upright townsman."

Finally, an amusing piece of financial advice from the Melbourne Herald -Sun-----
 "One novel trick for those who can't resist the temptation to overspend (on their credit cards) is to drop the credit card in a container of water and put it in the freezer. You still have a valid usable card for when it is *really* needed but having to wait until the ice melts before using it, will ensure there is plenty of time to beat the urge to overspend."

I trust that some of these snippets will be of use, either for the newsletter or for Mrs. Smith's files.

Yours sincerely,

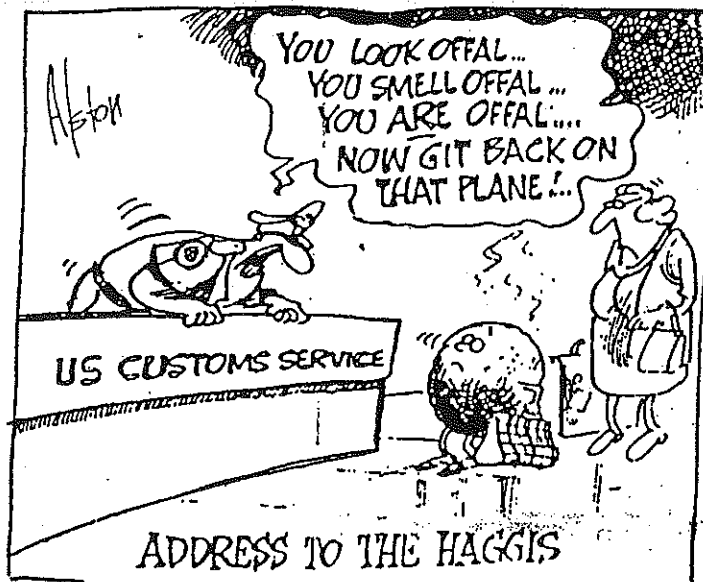
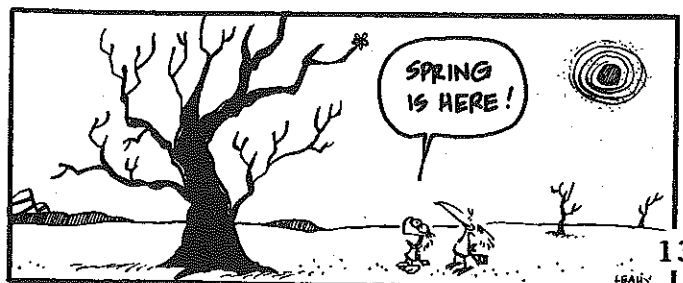
Edith van Driel

Edith van Driel No. 148.

The Financially Successful!

Electricians who keep current accounts.
 Bakers who make their own dough
 Writers who coin a good phrase
 Butchers with a steak in their own business
 Politicians who take all the credit.

Beyond the Black Stump



FROM ' CRUACHAN ' No 70 Feb. '97.



VALE - SIR SHOLTO DOUGLAS - 23/12/1909 - 20/8/1997.

Patron of Clan Douglas Assoc. of Australia.

As his youngest brother, Andrew, said at his funeral service, Edward Sholto Douglas was a worker not a shirker and a giver not a receiver.

His family have had a long association in the practice of Law,, his father, Edward Douglas was a barrister when Sholto was born in Bowen Hills, Brisbane in 1909; later in 1929 when he became a judge, Sholto became his first Associate. Sholto's brother and nephews carry on the family tradition of legal practice today.

Sholto studied law after he left school at St. Joseph's Gregory Terrace, Brisbane and Riverview Sydney, and in 1935 commenced practice as a solicitor. In 1939 he married Mary Curr from " Buckie " Station between Goondiwindi and Moree.

He gave his time and energy to many organisations as well as the Q. Law Society where he served on the Council for 20 years and from 1962 - 1964 was the President. As well, he was a member of the Committee of the Law Council of Australia which drafted the Commonwealth Criminal Code .

He was a past President of the Brisbane Club, President of the Tax Payers's Association of Q'land and Australia; President of the Q'land branch of the National Heart Foundation and Vice-President of the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. He was Honary consul to the Phillipines.

He loved sport and played tennis,squash and was a member of the Royal Q'land Golf Club for 70 years.

In 1977 he was knighted for outstanding contribution to the legal profession of Australia.

In 1986 he accepted the invitation of the foundation Clan Douglas Association of Australia to become patron.


And now we send sympathy to his wife,Mary, Lady Douglas, and the Douglas family in their sad loss of Sir Sholto, the quiet achiever.

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Last year the Kirking of the Tartan was quite a success with a good roll up of Douglas members. We look forward to the forthcoming Kirking which will be held on 30th November at the Anglican Church of the Holy Trinity, Cnr. Wickham and Brookes Streets, Valley, at 10 am sharp. I hope we get full support from our membership, as the Douglas tartan is selected to be kirked this year, and I hope you all remember to bring some tartan to be brought forth. This adds considerably to the service.

I would like to thank all the Committee and general members here in Australia and across the world, and also kindred societies with which we have an association. Thank you for the privilege of serving.

I move that this annual report be received,


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Ron Douglas

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

602 Mr. Dennis William Drysdale Eagle Heights Mt. Tamborine Q.

TASSELDOM

New member, Dennis Drysdale and his wife Denise run a ' fairytale cottage called Tasselldom ' 112 Long Rd., Eagle Heights, Tamborine Mountain.

Douglas tartan table-cloths, curtains and staff wearing shirts & vests will certainly help to make members of C.D.A.A. feel at home for morning or afternoon tea in the gallery and fernfarm.



NOTICE BOARD

*** KIRKING 'O THE TARTAN ***

WHEN: SUNDAY NOV. 30 1997

WHERE: ANGLICAN CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY
CNR. WICKHAM/BROOKE STREETS, FORTITUDE VALLEY.
(OPP. POLICE STATION)

TIME: 10 AM

THE DOUGLAS TARTAN will be kirked this year. Have you something featuring a DOUGLAS tartan. Wear it or bring it along to the service. Morning tea will follow in the church hall.

The Executive Committee plan to gather for a BYO picnic lunch afterwards, but only if there are sufficient numbers.

Phone Shirley (07) 32654316 for information.

This day is an enjoyable one so do hope you will be free to attend.

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BIRTHS

Phillip and Judith Gardner welcome their baby son, ANDREW PHILLIP GARDNER 26/9/96

Susan and John Gardner welcome their baby daughter, HANNAH LOUISE SUSAN GARDNER 24/4/97.

Susan and Neil O'Hare welcome their baby daughter , GEORGIA MARGARET O'HARE 9/6/96.

Adrian & Gina Russell welcome their baby daughter ALEXANDRA ROSE SUSAN 4/3/97.

MARRIAGES

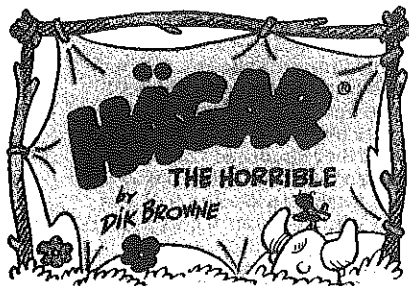
DOUGLAS ROSEBY GARDNER to NATASHA EUGENE GELHAAR at Christ Church, Bundaberg, April 1996.

VALE

DONALD DOUGLAS ROSEBY 1912 - 1997.

The eldest son of Dr. Edmund Roseby and Sophia Douglas of Morven, Q. in a family of 10. he was born in Texas, Q.

He is survived by his wife Margaret, four sons-- David, Robert, (d.) Bryan, Peter and Ian; eleven grandchildren and ten great-grand children.



USUALLY HAGAR GIVES EVERY CREW MEMBER A TURKEY FOR HIS CHRISTMAS DINNER...



FROM - THE SUNDAY MAIL

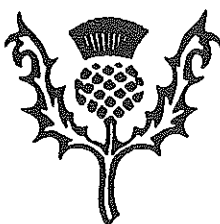


THE DOUGLAS FIR

THE DOUGLAS FIR has been the C.D.D.A symbol of Christmas for the past few years and here it is once again. It reminds us that God cares for all living things -- the star above symbolises the magnitude of the universe and a hope for the future. Stars give us joy and a sense of wonder. From the time we were small children until our last days, we love to catch a glimpse of a twinkling star. It was a star that led the way to the baby Jesus. I hope it points the way for a better future for us all in the forthcoming Christmas and New Year time.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND MUCH HAPPINESS,
GOOD HEALTH AND PROSPERITY IN NEW YEAR.

Jan Shaw.-Editor-



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