

# THE CLAN DOUGLAS ASSOCIATION

# **OF AUSTRALIA**

## NEWSLETTER

No 80 DECEMBER 2008

The first meeting of the Clan Douglas Association of Australia was held on December 3, 1986 in Brisbane. The current elected committee is:

PATRON: Mr Archibald Douglas

PRESIDENT: Mrs Jan Shaw
VICE PRESIDENT Ms Jennifer Smith
MINUTES SECRETARY: Ms Penny Shaw
MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY: Ms Sue Taylor
TREASURER: Ms Kate Godfrey
EDITOR: Mrs Mary Smith
GEN. RESEARCH OFF: Mrs Mary Smith

GENERAL COMMITTEE: Mr Archie Douglas, Mr John & Mrs Robin Godfrey,

Mrs Del Armstrong.

### AIMS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE ASSOCIATION

To act as a representative body of Douglases 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.

We send Members four Newsletters a year (and invite members to contribute articles of general interest). We hold social gatherings to enable Members to meet.

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.

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. Enclosed is a membership form to be returned with Australian currency cheques made out to CLAN DOUGLAS ASSOCIATION and send to - Membership Secretary, Clan Douglas Association of Australia, 6 Helidon Grove, Jacob's Ridge, Ormeau, 4208

### **President's Message**



As the year fast draws to a close, this will be the last Newsletter for 2008. As I have outlined in my report to the AGM, it has been a productive and happy year, and I welcome the new members who have joined CDAA.

The reports from the AGM and elected office bearers will all be in this Newsletter so I have very little to add except to say a special 'Thank You' to Dell Armstrong who has resigned as Membership Secretary. Dell was our original secretary 21 years ago and has served on the committee ever since. 'Thank You' Dell for your loyal support, the Douglas genes are strongly part of you and we look forward to you being a committee member.

And while on the subject of genes, I strongly encourage all Douglas men to do a vDNA test and discover which branch of the widespread Douglas Clan you belong to. As many members know, the descendants of Robert Douglas of Kangaroo Point have already been done. These descendants have discovered that they are descended from Niall of Nine Hostages, an Irish warlord King of the 4<sup>th</sup> century as well as from Douglas ancestors. In closing, I wish you all a Merry Christmas, a healthy and happy New Year and perseverance to cope with the financial meltdown.

Jan Shaw (nee Douglas) President.

Dear Members of our Clan.

It's time for our AGM and my Christmas message — how the year has flown. During the year, we welcomed some new members — mainly due to going on 'the net' and this has proved most interesting. Our thanks go to Penny Shaw for the time she has devoted to this project.

From today, you have a new Membership Secretary — Sue Taylor has kindly agreed to be your new contact.

My thanks to those members who sent me good wishes on the occasion of my 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. It was great to hear from you.

I sincerely thank our president Jan and her team for their years of friendship and co-operation and I hope to enjoy a few more years of your company and as a member of our clan. I shall miss the contact with so many of our members. Thank you Sue for accepting this position.

A Happy Christmas to all and a very healthy 2009. Del Armstrong.



# President's Report AGM Clan Douglas Association of Australia 8<sup>th</sup> November, 2008 at 116 Strong Ave. Graceville, Brisbane

2008 has been quite a productive year for CDAA. Mainly as a result of our website, we have welcomed 12 new members this year. The initiative of a few words of introduction of new members to write something about themselves, their family, their environment, their lifestyle so that we may all get to know each other and share the fellowship of membership. The President's prize of \$50-00 for introducing the most new members for the year to CDAA has been won by Website Administrator Penny Shaw. Congratulations Penny — keep up the good work!

In our electronic media age, another first has been achieved by e-mailing our Newsletter to those members who have requested it.

During the year, our Vice-president, Dawn Douglas resigned and this position was filled by Jenny Smith. Jenny volunteered also to help Mary Smith with the Newsletter. These moves bring me to say 'thank you', and to all members of my committee as well — without whose valuable commitment and dedication we could not function. Committee meetings are run efficiently as members all turn up willingly and contribute by taking on responsibilities, which in turn serve all our members far and wide.

In April, a bus load of CDAA members and friends enjoyed 'looking at early Queensland History in Ipswich' where we all learned something of our heritage. And while on the subject of Queensland History, 2009 is the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the birth of Queensland with the Separation from New h Wales in 1859. I am making a personal recognition of this by submitting short biographies of 11 of my 'Pre-Sep' ancestors to a Queensland Family History Society publication.

At the end of June, Clan Douglas had a good roll up of members for Kirkin' the Tartan. This is an annual event which always 'brings out our Scottish blood.' Kate Godfrey was our Banner Bearer and Penny Shaw and Bo were the Tartan Carriers. Each year, CDAA awards a prize of \$100-00 to a boy showing proficient skills in the vocational subjects of woodwork and metalwork at Scots PGC College in Warwick. The award is 'the Ron Douglas Memorial Bursary' and is in memory of our founding President Ron, who was skilled in these handicrafts. The recipient of the 2008 award is Ben Tomkins.

Our financial position is steady. Most of our committee have always rejected moves to increase the cost of membership. We want to keep our members without burdening them with extra costs and I hope our members will appreciate this in the present financial meltdown and stay with us.

Our Newsletter editors do a wonderful job but they do need your help by contributing articles of interest or debate. Don't be just a reader, be a writer/contributor too! Your efforts will be greatly appreciated as they will be by our Website Administrator when you post up information/queries/debate issues etc. on the website.

yDNA testing of male Douglases all over the world is providing great interest as we link with the ancient Douglas lines and find previously unknown cousins everywhere. All Douglas males are eligible to be tested and every test provides a larger pool for links and relationships. Anyone interested should contact our member, Dr Beryl Turner at <a href="mailto:bturner@occmed.com.au">bturner@occmed.com.au</a> or

http;//www.familytreedna.com/public/Douglas/dna

And finally, thank you all for your support. I wish the Season's Greetings for a Happy Christmas and a healthy New Year to you all.

Jan Shaw, president.

#### **NEWSLETTER EDITOR'S REPORT FOR 2008**

It gives me much pleasure as Newsletter Editor, to present the Report for 2008.

Four newsletters have been produced since the AGM in November last year and I have tried to keep the main interest stories evolving as much as possible. Our president would like to see more personal profiles published so if you can help in this direction, please write a short account of your story and post or email to me. (Addresses on front cover of Newsletter) Besides having a permanent record that you can call on at any time, it is always of interest to the members of the Clan Douglas Association of Australia. We are all family and as such, would love to hear from you.

We need research queries also 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 the gift of membership to the Clan Douglas Association of Australia. On 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, 6 Helidon Grove, Jacob's Ridge, Ormeau, 4208, Queensland, Australia with the \$20-00 membership fee.

Mary Smith Newsletter Editor

#### **GENEALOGICAL CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT FOR 2008**

It gives me much pleasure to present my report for 2008.

This year has been similar to previous years and I regret that there has been very few letters for me to answer regarding genealogy. Our president has emailed me enquiries regarding non-members and I have received one enquiry re a member's pedigree.

There has been quite a lot of interest in the yDNA data during the last twelve months so there must be quite a few families who do not know from which branch their particular family originates. You will find a detailed explanation of this project in Newsletter #77 for March. For more information about the project please contact Dr Beryl Turner — <a href="mailto:bturner@occmed.com.au">bturner@occmed.com.au</a>
The library of the Clan Douglas Association of Australia has received a detailed pedigree copy of the descendants of John and Mary Douglass whose family were christened in St Paul's Covent Garden Westminster, England commencing 1753. I thank Bob & Chris Douglas for depositing and donating this information to our library.

Again I ask if any members are aware of Douglas or sept family stories, the Clan Douglas would like to know about them subject to purchasing for our library.

Research queries are needed for insertion in the newsletters. We have not received many this year and this free facility continues to be underused.

#### **Mary Smith**

Genealogical Co-ordinator

#### CLAN DOUGLAS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA INC

**Profit and Loss Statement** 

For the year ended 31 August 2008

	31-Aug-08	31-Aug-07
	\$	\$
Income		
Membership Income	1,100.00	1,200.00
Donations	130.00	20.00
Interest Received	168.94	141.98
Income from events	217.00	0.00
	1,615.94	1,361.98
Expenses		
Bursary	100.00	100.00
Filing fees	38.10	37.00
Genealogy	220.79	0.00
Newsletter	739.20	479.11
Postage/Telephone	13.03	341.00
Sundry expenses	100.00	212.50
Website	82.35	0.00
	1,293.47	1,169.61
Operating profit/(loss)	\$322.47	\$192.37
Balance Sheet		
As at 31 August 2008	31-Aug-08	31-Aug-07
	\$	\$
Assets		
Current Assets	<b>5</b> 250 40	701611
Suncorp 04667 1315 Everyday Options	7,370.40	7,216.11
Suncorp 16077 6416 Deposit	2,565.72	2,397.54
NET ASSETS	\$9,936.12	\$9,613.65
Reserves		
Reserves - Unappropriated Profit		
Opening	9,613.65	9,421.28
Current year profit/(loss)	322.47	192.37
Closing	9,936.12	9,613.65
TOTAL RESERVES	\$9,936.12	\$9,613.65

#### CLAN DOUGLAS AGM Saturday, 8 November 2008

# 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 2008.

As agreed in a general meeting of members, the accounts have not been audited this year. We have good controls over our bank accounts and the costs of such an audit were agreed to outweigh benefits to the members. All records which support the accounts are filed and are available for inspection if required.

The net result for the year was positive, with an increase in assets of \$322.47 and no liabilities.

Costs incurred this year were mainly for the regular production of newletters and genealogy DNA investigations.

Membership income remains strong and supports the annual costs of running the Association so that we remain financial into the future.

Kind regards

K H Godfrey

### CDAA Website Administrator's Report

#### 2008

by Penny Shaw

Launched in December 2007, the CDAA website has now been operational for a full 12 months. I'd like to thank all those who have supported the project in its infancy and hope that this support will continue to grow.

Since January 2008 the site has attracted 6393 unique visitors (i.e repeat visitors are only counted once) with approx 230,084 hits in total.

Other interesting statistics regarding usage are included at the end of the report.

#### **Website Features**

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

- General Information about the Clan Douglas (members and public)
- Family tree software (members only)
- Events (members and public)
- Discussion board (forum for members and public)
- Photo gallery (members only )
- Newsletters (members only)
- Application form (public and members) Although the site is still under utilised by members, it is hoped that some marketing strategies to be implemented throughout 2009, including regular competitions, will improve member utilization. Details of the first of these

competitions can be found in this newsletter, as well as on the website.

#### **Technical Information**

For anyone who is interested - the website was built using the free open-source software Joomla which is a combination of php code and a mySql database. It is hosted by the Web Guys in Brisbane for \$21.95/month.

#### Revenue and new members

There have been 8 new members who have joined via the website.

Pay per click advertising was trialled with Google adsense, allposters, and adbrite. Although returns are slow, this form of revenue raising remains a consideration.

#### **Membership Payment Methods**

The use of paypal as a payment method was trialled, however due to restrictive terms and conditions, it was decided to disable this feature.

The site advises potential members to pay via cheque or direct deposit upon request of our bank account details.

#### Website Help

I am more than happy to help members with using the site. If you need help, please email me at administrator@clandouglas.org.au or phone me after hours on 07-3278-3397

#### **Statistics**

### **How many? UNIQUE VISITORS 2008**

Month	Unique Visitors
Jan 2008	144
Feb 2008	421
Mar 2008	581
Apr 2008	510
May 2008	588
Jun 2008	583
Jul 2008	653
Aug 2008	858
Sep 2008	1083
Oct 2008	849
Nov 2008	123
Dec 2008	0
Total	6393

# 2. WHERE Are our visitors from? Top 15 Country of Origin

Country	Hits	Pages
United States	22,165	52,518
Australia	3,135	22,123
Unknown	2,023	2,382
Argentina	1,787	1,787
European country	y 1,179	1,526
China	1,079	1,162
Great Britain	1,010	1,157
Latvia	519	519
South Korea	418	418
Switzerland	289	289
Canada	223	292
Germany	219	219
Japan	175	246
Belgium	141	141
Spain	139	139

### SANDILANDS, LORD ABERCROMBIE

**Sir James Sandilands** the eldest son of William and Jean Sandilands nee Bothwell, married in August 1620 Agnes Carnegie, second daughter of Sir David Carnegie of Kinnaird, 1<sup>st</sup> Earl of Southesk. James was knighted 1630 and predeceased his father, dying in 1644 or 1645 and had

- 1. James Sandilands
- 2. David Sandilands
- 3. George Sandilands
- 4. Margaret Sandilands
- 5. Catherine Sandilands
- 6. Marjory Sandilands
- 1. Sir James Sandilands son of Sir James & Lady Agnes Sandilands nee Carnegie, was knighted c.1643 and was served heir to his grandfather 05/Jul/1645. He had a charter with his wife of the barony of Ferniflat, co. Kincardine in 1643 and one of the barony of Abercrombie in co. Fife on the resignation of James Crichton in 1646, but did not hold it for any length of time as he resigned it in 1649. He was created Lord Abercrombie in 1647. However, he wasted his inheritance and in 1649 disposed of the lands of St Monans to Sir James Arnot of Fernie and the barony of Abercrombie to General David Leslie in 1650. In March that year, Sir James Sandilands embarked for the Continent to escape a scandal of his making where he remained until 1658. By 1666, he was in financial trouble again and executed a disposition of his estates in favour of his creditors. Sir James Sandilands married (1) Jean Crichton daughter of Patrick Crichton of Dunninald. The couple had
  - 1.1. James Sandilands
- 1.2. Anna Sandilands who appears as a creditor of her father in the deed of 31/Dec/1666 for the sum of 2,000 pounds from her mother's estate. Sir James Sandilands, Lord Abercrombie, married (2) Christian Fletcher, widow of James Grainger, minister of Kinneff previous to 1664 when he granted her a liferent charter of the lands of Largie.
- 1.1. James Sandilands, second Lord Abercrombie, was the last holder of the title, dying unmarried, in obscurity and poverty at Kinneff in 1681 when the peerage became extinct. It is of interest, that the Lords of Session in their return to the House of Lords in 1740 observe that it does not appear that either the patentee or any successor of his in that right ever sat or voted in Parliament, nor had any one ever offered to vote in right of that peerage at any election since the Union.

ARMS: No authority for his arms has been found, except a painting in a volume of Peer's Arms in the Lyon Office, of the date 1720 as follows:

Quarterly: 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> argent, a bend azure, for Sandilands; 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> argent, a man's heart ensigned with an imperial crown proper; for Douglas

Crest: A talbot's head couped argent, collared azure.

Supporters: Two talbot's argent, collared azure.

(Taken from "The Scot's Peerage" edited by Sir James Balfour Paul, Lord Lyon King of Arms, vol.1, pp. 79-81)



### DRUMLANRIG — (Continued)

**Philip William Douglas** was born 06/Feb/1800 the son of Philip & Mary Douglas nee Mainwaring; educ. Eton and Corpus Christi College Oxford (B.A. 1821) (M.A. 1824); Vicar of Bonby and Horkstow, Lincolnshire in 1828; 1840-1848 Perpetual Curate of Escot, Ottery St Mary, Devonshire; married Brighton 19/Jan/ 1830, Charlotte Barber daughter of John Barber of Adderbury Manor, Oxfordshire; died October 1884. Philip & Charlotte Douglas nee Barber had

- 1.Archibald Philip Douglas born 10/Sep/1831; died India September 1863; unmarried; Major 6<sup>th</sup> Dragoons.
  - 2.Mary Salome Douglas born 1832; died October 1889; unmarried.
- 3.Susan Elizabeth Douglas born 1834; married Escot 08/Dec/1868, George Edward Stanley of Dalegarth and Ponsonby Hall, Cumberland; Consul General for the South of Russia and San Francisco.
- 4.Philip Henry Douglas born 11/Mar/1835; educ.Durham University (M.A.) 1864-1914 Vicar of Thrumpton, Nottinghamshire; married Hampstead 17/Jan/1878 Lucy Elizabeth Jane Westcombe daughter of Rev. William Westcombe of Thrumpton Hall. No family.
  - 5. John Ambrose Douglas
  - 6.Robert Kenneway Douglas
- 7. James Mainwaring Douglas born 08/Feb/1840, died India 1882, unmarried; Major Royal Artillery; served 1878 in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Afghan War; took part in the march to Candahar.
  - 8. Charlotte Millicent Douglas born 1841; died 11/Mar/1904; unmarried.
  - 9. Charles Blomefield Douglas
  - 10. Gerald Noel Douglas
- 5.**John Ambrose Douglas** was born 15/Sep/1837 the son of Philip William and Charlotte Douglas nee Barber; died 12/Sep/1890; married Mary McLachan daughter of Archibald McLachan and had
- 5.1.Elizabeth Douglas married Albert William van Buren, son of Rt. Rev. James van Buren 1<sup>st</sup> Bishop of Puerto Rico.
- 6. **Robert Kenneway Douglas** was born 23/Aug/1838 the son of Philip William and Charlotte Douglas nee Barber; died 20/May/1913; buried Acton Turville, Gloucestershire; educ. Blandford Grammar School before entering the Chinese Consular Service in 1838; 1865-1892 Assistant-in-Charge of the Chinese Library, British Museum; 1892-1907 keeper of the Oriental Printed Books and Manuscripts; 1903 Professor of Chinese at King's College, London; 1903 Knight Bachelor; married 1866, Rachel Charlotte Fenton daughter of Kirby Fenton of Caldecott Hall, Warwickshire; and had
  - 6.1. Archibald Philip Douglas
  - 6.2. Robert Noel Douglas
- 6.3. James Douglas born 08/Jan/1870; educ. Dulwich and Selwyn College, Cambridge; Headmaster of Hillside School, Godalming; 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant 5<sup>th</sup> Reserve, Middlesex regiment; cricket for Middlesex County.
  - 6.4. Helen Douglas born 19/Oct/1871;
- 6.5. Sholto Douglas born 08/Oct/1874; killed in action 28/Jan/1916; educ. Dulwich College; master at Hillside School, Godalming; Captain Middlesex regiment.



- 6.6. Rachel Douglas born 20/Aug/1875; married 04/Aug/1910, Harold Crabtree son of Ely Wilcox Crabtree of Charterhouse, Godalming.
  - 6.7. Kenneth Kenneway Douglas born 21/Oct/1877; died 04/Mar/1884.
  - 6.8. Stuart Munro Douglas
- 6.9. Philip William Douglas born 27/Jun/ 1883; died 1949; educ. Dulwich College Preparatory School and H.M.S. Britannia; Commander Royal Navy.
- 6.1. **Archibald Philip Douglas** was born 07 Jun 1867; educ. Dulwich College and Royal Military Academy Woolwich. C.M.G. 1916 & Lieutenant –Colonel Royal Artillery C.M.G.; 1919 Deputy Director of General Ordinance in simla, India; serving in Mesopotamia and Afghan War. C.B.E. (1920); married (1) 18/Dec/1895, Helen Dunsterville daughter of Knightley Dunsterville; and had
  - 6.1.1. James Knightley Douglas born 11/Nov/1896;
  - 6.1.2. Archibald Robert Douglas born 23/Jul/1898; died 17/Feb/1919;
- 6.1. Archibald Philip Douglas married (2) 1922, Lillian Wyatt daughter of Rev. Joseph Wyatt; no family.
- 6.2. **Robert Noel Douglas** was born 09/Nov/1868 the son of Robert Kenneway and Rachel Charlotte Douglas nee Fenton; educ. Dulwich and Selwyn Colleges, Cambridge; M.A. 1896; played cricket for Middlesex County Cricket Club; Headmaster for Giggleswick School, Yorkshire; 1932 entered Holy Orders at The Nook, Colyton, Devon; 1936-1947 Rector of Forway with Northleigh and Southleigh Devon; married 04/Apr/1904, Caroline Marie Auguste, daughter of Paul David of Uppingham; and had
- 6.2.1. Robert Paul Douglas born 10/Apr/1910; 1942 L.Th. Durham; 1942-1947 Curate of Farington with Little Coxwell, Berkshire; 1947 Vicar of West Ashton; married 17/Mar/1942, Jessie Marjorie Nash daughter of Albert Hardstaff Nash of Market Harborough.
  - 6.2.2. Vera Douglas born 21/Mar/1905;
- 6.8. **Stuart Munro Douglas** was born 11/Sep/1879 the son of Robert Kenneway and Rachel Charlotte Douglas nee Fenton; educ. Dulwich and St John Colleges, Cambridge; (M.A.) Headmaster Lutterworth Grammar School; 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant 8<sup>th</sup> Battalion The Royal Fusiliers; married 14/Apr/1909, Hope Smith daughter of Toulmin Smith of "The Woodlands" Dulwich Common; and had
  - 6.8.1. Elizabeth Douglas born 26/Apr/1910;
  - 6.8.2. Hope Helen Douglas born 19/Jul/1912;
  - 6.8.3. Penelope Douglas born 15/Jan/1920;
- 9. **Charles Blomefield Douglas** was born 06/Apr/1843 the son of Philip William & Charlotte Douglas nee Barber; died 1889; married 1884, Katharine Pauline Elton daughter of Edward Elton of Whitestaunton, Somersetshire; settled in San Jose, California; and had
- 9.1. Charles Blomefield Elton Douglas, 1914-1919 Lieutenant 184 Company R.E. in France;
- 9.2.Katharine Douglas married Dr Clifford Line, Sobey of Paso Robles, California.
  - 9.3. Constance Douglas
  - 9.4. Ruth Douglas

(Taken from Douglas, Percy, "The History of the Family of Douglas," Rotterdam, pp.143-146)



The latest correspondence from member Dr Beryl Turner for the yDNA is as follows:

Here is the Christmas discounts deal from ftDNA for this year. Anyone hovering out there — it is now your chance to get your test done for a greatly reduced price. Great discounts for new members!

In keeping with our end-of-the-year tradition, effective November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2008, we will institute special pricing at Family Tree DNA for your new-kit-purchasing participants. The products being offered at a special price are:

Y-DNA37	\$ 37-00
Y-DNA37+mtDNA Plus	\$199-00
Y-DNA67	\$218-00
Y-DNA67+mtDNA Plus	\$308-00
mtDNA Plus	\$139-00
Full Genomic mtDNA	\$395-00
Super DNA	\$613-00

This offer is good until December 31<sup>st</sup> 2008 for kits ordered and paid for by that time.

Anyone interested should contact our member, Dr Beryl Turner at <a href="mailto:bturner@occmed.com.au">bturner@occmed.com.au</a> or <a href="http://www.familytreedna.com/public/Douglas/dna">http://www.familytreedna.com/public/Douglas/dna</a>

**Births:** It is with much pleasure that we welcome into the Douglas Family, Estelle Jane Eather, born 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 2008, daughter of Rochelle and Timothy Eather, Newcastle — great grandparents, Winifred (nee Roseby and member of the Clan Douglas Association of Australia) and the late Stewart Eather of Narrabri. Estelle is the 2x great granddaughter of Sophia Florence Douglas of Mt Maria, Morven, Q'ld.

#### **News from the AGM**

The executive committee of the Clan Douglas Association of Australia has two new members from last year's listing — Jenny Smith as vice-president and Sue Taylor as membership secretary.

Clan Douglas Association of Australia members present at the AGM voted to keep the membership fee at \$20-00 in view of the financial climate pervading in Australia at the present time.

#### **Notice Board**

**Robert Burns** dinner will be held on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January, 2009 at the Masonic Centre, 66 Goulburn Street, **Sydney**. Tickets \$80-00 per person. Enquiries: (02) 9522 3631

**Robert Burns** dinner in **Brisbane** will be held on 17<sup>th</sup> January, 2009 at the Irish Club. \$40-00 each. Contact Jan Shaw T. (07) 3379 6357 or Email: janny31@ozemail.com.au

<u>The Scottish Connection</u> will host a **Burns Day** Afternoon Tea at Scottish House on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2009, corner of Military Road and Calliope St. Guildford. Phone (02)9681 7705; Email: <u>info@scottish.org.au</u> for more information. Southern Highlands Pipe Band Comp. **Mittagong** on Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> February 2009.

**The Governor Macquarie Dinner** will be held at the Macquarie Hotel, 42 Wentworth Avenue, **Sydney** on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2009 at 7pm after the Assembly at Parliament House. The guest Speaker will be Dr Matthew Glozier speaking to the title "Military Aspects of Macquarie's Career." Tickets \$35-00 per person. Enquiries: (02) 9522 3631



#### **Editorial:**

2009 is just around the corner and renewal time is upon us. If you haven't renewed by the time the next newsletter is published in March, your name will be crossed off the mailing list. The membership fee remains at \$20-00 and should be sent to the Membership Secretary, Clan Douglas Association of Australia, 6 Helidon Grove, Jacob's Ridge, Ormeau, 4208, Q'ld

Christmas is upon us again — it doesn't seem like twelve months since I was writing my Christmas message to you all. My very best wishes for a Happy Christmas and a Prosperous & Healthy New Year.

Mary Smith, editor



# **CLAN DOUGLAS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA**

# Patron: Mr Archíbald Douglas

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# CDAA Website Competition

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We are going all out to attract members to use their website. It's simple. You can win by completing just 4 out of 5 of the following FUN tasks!

- 1. Register on our website, and log in 2
  - 2. Post two new topics in the forum
  - 3. Reply to two topics in the forum
    - 4. Locate the two lions rampant

Hidden somewhere on the website are two identical pictures of the lion rampant. Find these and email your answer (the title of the pages on which they are found) to Penny at administrator@clandouglas.org.au or telephone (07) 3278-3397 (leave a message if unanswered)

5. Upload a photograph to the members photo gallery 3

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**Competition closes:** on the 20th March 2009. The winner will be drawn by the CDAA President at the next committee meeting to be held on 21st March 2009.

#### Conditions:

- Entry to this competition is restricted to Clan Douglas of Australia Association members only. Only one entry per member.
- Members without a personal computer and/or internet access may request assistance from a third party (family member, friend, local libray/community centre).

Instructions on how to complete the tasks can be found on the CDAA website.

- Please go to the FAQs section of www.clandouglas.org.au or contact Penny for assistance: email to administrator@clandouglas.org.au or telephone (07) 3278-3397 (leave a message if unanswered).
- In the event the competition is won by an non-resident of Australia, the winning member may receive the prize in the form of an AUD \$50 cheque, or in another form acceptable to both parties.
- Registration approval may take up to 24hrs. Once approved you can log in and complete the tasks at any time prior to the competition closing date.
- 3 To maintain your privacy on the internet, the members photo gallery can only be accessed by CDAA members.