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Three of Orla's feathers for the brand new Clan Buchanan Chief, Mike Buchanan

The Buchanan, shown outside Cambusmore, with Orla, the Golden Eagle, who lives on Ancient Clan Buchanan lands at the Loch Lomond Bird of Prey centre. Mike will be getting three eagle feathers for his cap from the ones she sheds naturally.

Work continues on the 2020 Buchanan Celtic Ceremony

Paula, The Lady Buchanan, writes: "Here at Cambusmore, we are also starting to make more preparations for next years Buchanan Ceremony.

"We have been so fortunate and honoured in having the very multi talented heraldic artist, Tom Freeman, design the heraldic flags and to convert all the heraldic arms possessed by the Chief of the Buchanan Clan, to forms which can be used in a variety of ways. He has done a great job with this and people will soon see his excellent handywork for yourselves at the New Hampshire Games. (And an article in this issue of *The Buchanan Banner*.)

"We are also arranging opportunities for people who come to the Buchanan Celtic Ceremony to see and learn about the fascinating archives at Cambusmore. They contain a wealth of interesting items which have links to important people from Scotland's past. These include Bonnie Prince Charlie, the poet and author Sir Walter Scott, the artist Henry Raeburn, the philosopher David Hume amongst many others.

"Many of the important items for the ceremony itself are now being gathered together and some

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CBSI is all invited to the Buchanan Celtic Ceremony in October of 2020



Mike was born in Edinburgh and for the first few months he and his parents lived at *Straid*, a house on Cambusmore Estate, which the American based singer songwriter, Sheena Easton, is thought to have lived at for a short while, but is now used as a B&B. Then at around 6 months old, he moved into the estate's 'big house', *Cambusmore*, where he still lives today.

Mike then went to the local primary school in Callander until he was the right age to go to Craigflower, a prep school in Fife. From there he went to Wellington College in England and after this to Oxford University to read Engineering.

He gained an exhibition to study at Christchurch, as he had done very well in his previous exams from school.

During three hard working, but fun packed years, he rowed for a Christchurch junior eight which won their class. He also continued his hobby of rifle shooting from being in the school team at Wellington to representing Scotland in their target and match rifle teams.

Indeed it soon became apparent that he had a real ability and good eye for straight accurate shooting over both short and long distances from 25 yards to 1200 yards. As such he was selected for eight teams to represent Oxford University against Cambridge. For these he was awarded eight half blues

and was in five winning varsity teams. These were in the disciplines of pistol, small bore, target and match rifle.

After graduating from Oxford with an MA in Engineering, Mike joined Sir Alexander Gibb and Partners, now part of the Jacobs Law group. He worked for them for 7 years, including two years in Sri Lanka where he helped build the Victoria hydroelectric dam and gained chartered civil engineer status.

Then Mike returned to Scotland, specifically to Edinburgh University, to study for and gain an MBA. Following this he spent two years working with a small start-up firm supplying automation equipment to industry before returning to the family patch at *Cambusmore*.

Soon after returning to work on the Estate with his father, Mike was selected to represent Scotland at Target Rifle in the 1994 Commonwealth Games in Victoria, Canada.

Going to Canada for these games was a big privilege and adventure which I remember well, since I was Mike's fiancée at this stage and we went over to Canada together.

Mike and his team partner achieved fourth place in the fullbore pairs in which 22 countries entered, making it the discipline with the largest

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from the PRESIDENT

David Byrne, President, CBSI

A new era began for the Clan Buchanan at the New Hampshire Highland Games.

For the first time in several centuries, members of the Clan were able to meet their Chief. He stood with them, marched with them, shook their hands and posed for photographs. At times the line was 10 deep waiting for the chance to greet The Buchanan.

Throughout it all, Michael Buchanan and his wife Paula, were very gracious and willing to meet everyone and spend time with them. Their children Angus, Bruce and Lucy also spent many hours at the Clan Tent. Many of us had the opportunity to get to know them and talk about the future of the Clan and we can assure you the future is looking pretty good. And now Michael and Paula head off to Australia to meet with our kin Down Under.

After the surprise two years ago of learning we might have a Chief, many of us wondered what we, and the Society, could expect. We had no experience with a Chief and no modern Clan history to look back on.

We got the answer in New Hampshire.

We have a Chief and the Honor of the Clan looks brighter still!

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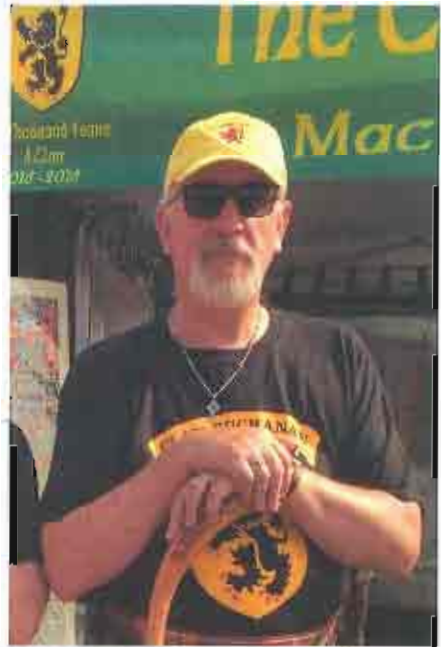


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new ones are starting to be created by local artisans. Graham Stuart is a master silversmith in Doune and we are very fortunate to have him to make all the heraldic silver for our family for this special occasion. He has been planning and working on this for just over a year now.

Other local craftsmen will be commissioned to make the other important items needed such as a stonemason and wood carver.

Do we have an expert embroiderer?

We now just need to find someone who is good at embroidery to sew the Buchanan's Coat

of Arms onto a velvet pouch to house the Buchanan's silver seal.

This would be a very important item in the inauguration ceremony so if there is anyone out there who would be interested and able to do this in time for next years event, please could you contact Beth (bethscribble@aol.com) with your details as we would love to hear from you.

They also served the
Clan Buchanan Society of
America before there was a
Clan Buchanan Society,
International!

- ◆ Fred H. Buchanan – the first “Convener” of the Society – 1970-1974
- ◆ Byron C. Gibson - “temporary Convener” upon the passing of Fred (1974)
- ◆ Dr. Arren C. Buchanan, Jr. - President, 1974-1976
- ◆ Louis B. McCaslin, Jr. - President, 1976-1983
- ◆ Lt. Col. (ret) George S. G. “Buck” Buchanan, President, 1983-1985 & 1994
- ◆ Louis B. McCaslin, Jr., - President, 1985-1987
- ◆ Harold T. Townend, - President, 1987-1989
- ◆ John Watson, - President, 1989-1993



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December 10 deadline

April issue
March 10 deadline

July issue
June 10 deadline

October issue
September 10 deadline

Please just email your articles, stories, anytime, to:
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If you know of more presidents of CBSI or before, please contact your editor!

The Buchanan and The Lady Buchanan to visit Australia in October 2019.

You're invited to meet them!

The Buchanan and his wife, Paula (The Lady Buchanan), will be attending two major events in Australia: • **The Canberra Highland Games** at the Clan Buchanan tent on Saturday, 12 October 2019 (<http://canberragathering.com.au/>)

• **The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo**, Sydney, including our Clan's march at the start of the Friday 18 October 2019 performance <<https://premier.ticketek.com.au/Shows/show.aspx?sh=TATTOO19>>

Malcolm Buchanan, CBSI Oceania - will be the coordinator for our clan's participation at both Australia events. For more information or if you plan to attend any of



these events in Australia contact Malcolm at <oceania@theclanbuchanan.com>



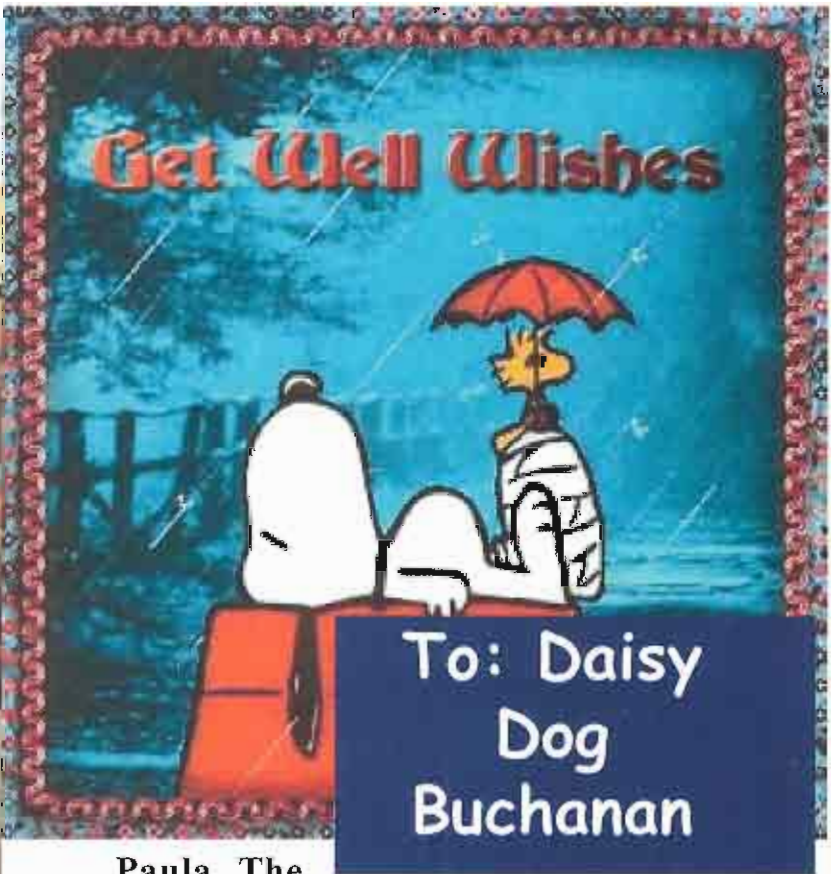
Beth's Newfangled Family Tree

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Paula, The

Lady Buchanan, writes: "On a lovely August evening I took the dogs out in the garden for a relaxed walk.

"Daisy, as usual, trotted off to have a sniff of a freshly dug mole hill, when the next thing I knew, she was stumbling over her feet trying to reach me but could not walk or even stand up.

"This gave me a real fright as I could not work out what could have caused such a dramatic thing as she had just been standing still before this happened.

"So, I picked her up and we took her to the vets to see what was wrong with her. It was not long before she had been diagnosed with a slipped disc and within one or two days was recovering from major spinal surgery. You can see her stitches in the photo on the top left.

"When we brought her home, she was pretty zonked out and had to stay in a cage for two weeks. The photo (On the immediate left) is of her on the day she returned, resting her nose on the cage, not really knowing what was going on round her due to her painkillers...Fast forwards a few weeks later and thanks to the excellent staff at Broadleys Veterinary Hospital in Stirling, she is back to almost complete normality.

"From paddling in the river to having happy forest walks with Poppy again. She is even taking the occasional sniff at a mole hill...and, on the immediate left again, there she is now with her best friend, Poppy."

Chief Names Piper to the Clan - R. Scott Buchanan of Ontario, Canada

John Michael Baillie-Hamilton Buchanan, Chief of the Name and Arms of Buchanan and Arnprior has appointed R. Scott Buchanan as Piper to the Clan Buchanan for North America.

Piper to a Clan and Clan Chief is an honorary appointment dating back hundreds of years. Among the duties of Piper to the Clan are piping for the Chief when he attends various events and official functions and representing the Chief as his piper when the Chief is not present.

Scott is the Pipe Major of Princess Anne's Regiment, The Grey & Simcoe Foresters, with armouries located in Owen Sound and Barrie, Ontario.

The Regiment dates back to its formation in 1866. His further piping duties include Duty Piper for the 78th Fraser Highlanders Regiment of Foot York Garrison, Toronto, Ontario and New Inverness Garrison, Atlanta, Georgia.

Scott is Commissioner to Canada for the Clan Buchanan Society International and has piped for the Clan at many highland games and festivals across North America.

"The Chief has made a great choice with Scott as Piper to the Clan," said David Byrne President of the Clan Buchanan Society International, "Scott is very familiar to many members of the Society and an accomplished piper."



R. Scott Buchanan, Official Piper to the Clan Buchanan,

Piper Major Buchanan will perform his first official duties as Piper to the Clan when he pipes for The Buchanan at the International Gathering of the Clan Buchanan to be held in Lincoln, New Hampshire, 20-22 September, 2019.

Scott resides in the town of Thornbury, Ontario, Canada, which is located on the shores of southern Georgian Bay as part of The Blue Mountains escarpment.

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Buchanan Chief comes to America

James Buchanan, California

When I first heard that the new Chief of the Buchanan Clan was going to attend the New Hampshire Highland Games, I knew I had to attend.

Almost immediately my wife began making travel and lodging plans. The next year passed by like a flash. Before we knew it, we were on a plane headed for the East Coast. While I was looking forward to the opportunity to meet our new Chief, I was nervous at the same time.

On Thursday, our first night in New Hampshire, we were invited to attend a small welcome dinner at a local restaurant in Lincoln, NH, just up the road from the highland games site.

Karen and I arrived a few minutes early, me wearing a Buchanan kilt and Karen wearing a Buchanan sash. As we were waiting, we were approached by a very polished gentleman and a lovely lady.

The gentleman reached out to shake my hand and gave us a heartwarming, "Hello." Imagine my surprise when I looked up and it was The Chief, The Buchanan, John Michael Baillie-Hamilton Buchanan, Chief of the Name and Arms of Buchanan and Armprior.

Standing next to him with a smile that exemplified warmth and caring was Paula Buchanan, The Lady Buchanan.

After 36 years in law enforcement and being able to speak with almost anyone,

I found myself fumbling over my greeting.

Looking back, it was a bit humorous but at the time I was a bit embarrassed.

If Michael noticed it, he said nothing and put me at ease.

With Michael and Paula were three of their four children. Angus, The Younger, is the future Buchanan, followed by Bruce and then Lucy, also known as The Miss Buchanan.

Their youngest son, Rory, was not with them due to being in school.

Dinner involved great food, cousins from several states and a lot of wonderful conversation.

Michael and Paula and their family made all of us feel relaxed and at ease. Even though they

must have been tired from a very long flight and then driving up from Boston, they never let it show.

Before the evening was done, Michael was presented with a welcome gift from the CBSI of a custom-made crommach or walking staff. A wonderful evening was had by all in attendance.

Friday was the first day of the games, and it was delightful.

David Byrne, CBSI President, his wife, Marianne, and their NHSCOT team had the tent set up and ready to greet first day attendees.

Over the tent, flapping proudly in the breeze and for the first time in over three centuries, the



Group photo of the Clan in NH



The Chief's new Heraldic Standard

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Chief's Standard, the Chief's Banner and the Clan piper.
Pinsel of The Buchanan waved proudly.

While Kevin Buchanan, CBSI Vice President, and George McCausland, Commissioner of the U.K. and Ireland, and others greeted visitors to the tent, The Buchanan and Lady Buchanan engaged in conversation almost everyone entering the tent.

I cannot even begin to describe the joy on people's faces as they were greeted by Michael and Paula. Some were giddy with excitement.

Throughout the day, Michael and Paula shook hundreds of hands and had their picture taken countless times.

Visitors wanted to memorialize their meeting with the first Chief of the Buchanan Clan in 337 years.

Certainly, something to celebrate!

Friday night was the Tartan Dinner and Ball. Everyone was dressed in their best formal Scottish attire. Looking across the room, it was apparent that the Buchanan Clan had the largest contingent present.

The evening started with the Address to a Haggis by Robert Burns, moved on to a scrumptious buffet dinner, and culminated with a Scottish Ceilidh. As Michael and Paula visited with attendees, Angus, Bruce and Lucy patiently instructed several of us in the fine art of Scottish dance. Talk about fun! About thirty of us danced until the event ended. We concluded the evening with all of us holding hands in a big circle on the dance floor and singing a rendition of *Auld Lang Syne*. What a wonderful evening!

Saturday was the Call of the Clans and the opening ceremony of the games.

The Buchanan was the Honorary Chieftain and was piped to the reviewing stand by Scott Buchanan, Commissioner of Canada, his personal



The Buchanan with George McCausland and Kevin Buchanan

The highpoint of the day, for me, was being a flag bearer and a part of a group of 130 Buchanans marching as a group into the arena led by David Byrne and his brother Richard, Regent for Connecticut.

As we marched in, we were directed to post near the reviewing stand.

When The Buchanan was introduced to greet the attendees and declare the games open, we proudly yelled our clan's war cry, "Clar Innes!"

On our march out, we were led by Scott Buchanan and received a continuous ovation from the packed arena. A head count revealed that there were 100 Buchanans in the stands. That means 230 Buchanan cousins were present for the opening ceremonies!

After the ceremony, we met at the clan tent for a reception for The Buchanan, The Lady Buchanan and their children. The remainder of the afternoon was free time to shop in the vendor area, watch the Celtic dancers, and visit with old

cousins and new.

Being in law enforcement, I have a habit of always introducing myself to peace officers I run into, if only to say hello. (We are all connected by the experiences of the profession.) So, doing what I do naturally, I introduced myself to one of the kilted police officers at the entrance to the games. Imagine my surprise when he shared that he is a McKinley, a sept of the Buchanan Clan.

And it did not stop there.

A bit later I spoke with the kilted police chief of Lincoln, New Hampshire, whose last name is

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Morris. As he spoke to several of us while visiting the tent, he learned that, as a Morris, he is a member of a sept of the Buchanans. Upon learning of his connection, he joined CBSI on the spot.

What a small world it is!

On Saturday night, CBSI opened the “Black Lion Pub” for dinner with a nod to our cousins in California who started this tradition. Eighty members of the Clan attended the dinner and had the opportunity to visit with Michael, Paula and their children and with cousins from across the United States, Canada, Mexico and the United Kingdom.

Dinner was a buffet with a variety of good food and, although I am not much of a drinker, the meal and a cold beer after a hot day at the games was absolutely reenergizing.

One highlight of the evening was the announcement of our first Commissioner for Mexico and Central America, Pedro (Pete) Buchanan of Mexico City.

Sunday, the final day of the games, included greeting nearly 50 additional Buchanans who were experiencing their first day at the games. In the morning Karen Buchanan, Membership Secretary, carried our Tartan Banner into the Blessing of the Tartans.

At 1:00, the CBSI Annual General Meeting was called to order by Shelagh College, CBSI Secretary, and the 2019/2020 CBSI officers were installed and issued their oath of office by Bill McQuatters, Commissioner of Texas.

One highlight of the games came when one of our clanswomen, Andrea Nissley Hertzler, Virginia Convener, was named Best Dressed Highland Lady and awarded her trophy by Lady Buchanan.

As the day came to an end, our Chief led a massed group of pipers into the arena for the closing ceremonies. Michael looked really sharp!

So, what is next? Well, on October 17, 2020, the inauguration (investiture) of our chieftain will take place in Scotland. The event is still being finalized. To express an interest in attending and receive further information when it becomes available, complete the sign-up page at: www.theclanbuchanan.com/inauguration. I hope to see you there! Until then, ClariorHincHonos!

Note: a report on the AGM and more photos will follow in the next issue of *The Banner*.

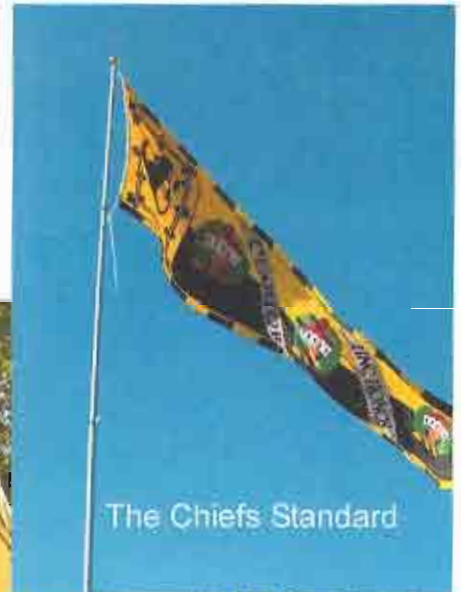


“Best Dressed”, Andrea Nissley Hertzler and Scott Buchanan



The Lady Buchanan with a visitor to the Clan Tent

Clar Innis! Clan Buchanan salutes The Buchanan in the Opening Ceremonies



Angus Buchanan, The Younger, lifting during the Highland Games



The Miss Buchanan “came out” at The Queen Charlotte Ball debutante 2019 event

The Lady Buchanan

Well, we all attended a really special event for the family in September. It was the Queen Charlotte Ball, an event when Lucy was introduced or 'came out' to London Society. This is a family tradition as her granny attended her own Queen Charlotte's ball many decades ago.

The weekend started off in style on Friday with a delicious lunch at the famous Ritz Hotel in London. After lunch, we were all delighted by the Berkeley Fashion Show. Lucy took part in this event with around 20 other debutants who together modelled a few dozen gloriously stylish and decadent hats. These hats were designed by the company set up by the queens former milliner, John Boyd. (Lucy is on the front row wearing the red hat). *(See photo, top left on the next page.)*

Then on Saturday all the debs had their hair done in the morning at George Vallossian in Knightsbridge and then had a champagne reception after boarding a specially commissioned double decker red London bus. The bus drove them through many famous sights in London before arriving at Lancaster House, where the ball was to be held later that evening. After changing into their gorgeous white dresses all designed by Ritva Westenius, they were all presented with the most amazing jewellery from David Morris, which they would wear for that night.

Later that evening, the guests were invited to the event and what an amazing one it was. All the girls looked radiant in their beautiful clothes and jewels and they all walked in separately with their fathers or escorts and were received by The Honourable Lady Roche in front of an amazing cake made up by Ladurée.

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The Miss Buchanan



The Berkeley Fashion Show where the 2019 debutants modeled lovely John Boyd hats. *The Miss Buchanan is 2nd on the front row, wearing the red hat.*



The Miss Buchanan and The Lady Buchanan at Lancaster House in London.

The Queen Charlotte's Ball is the crowning event of the London Season, a series of traditional events for elite Brits. It was introduced by King George III in 1780 to celebrate his wife's birthday and the girls now curtsy to a giant Queen Charlotte cake.

"Today, officially, the focus is not on marriage but on giving ambitious girls the opportunity to further their careers and develop in social confidence," reads the *London Season's* website.

Better still, this event raised many thousands of pounds for charity, which this year was the Smile Train. This charitable purpose is a very important part of the event. The smile train raises money to offer treatment for children born with cleft palates who live in 87 different countries.

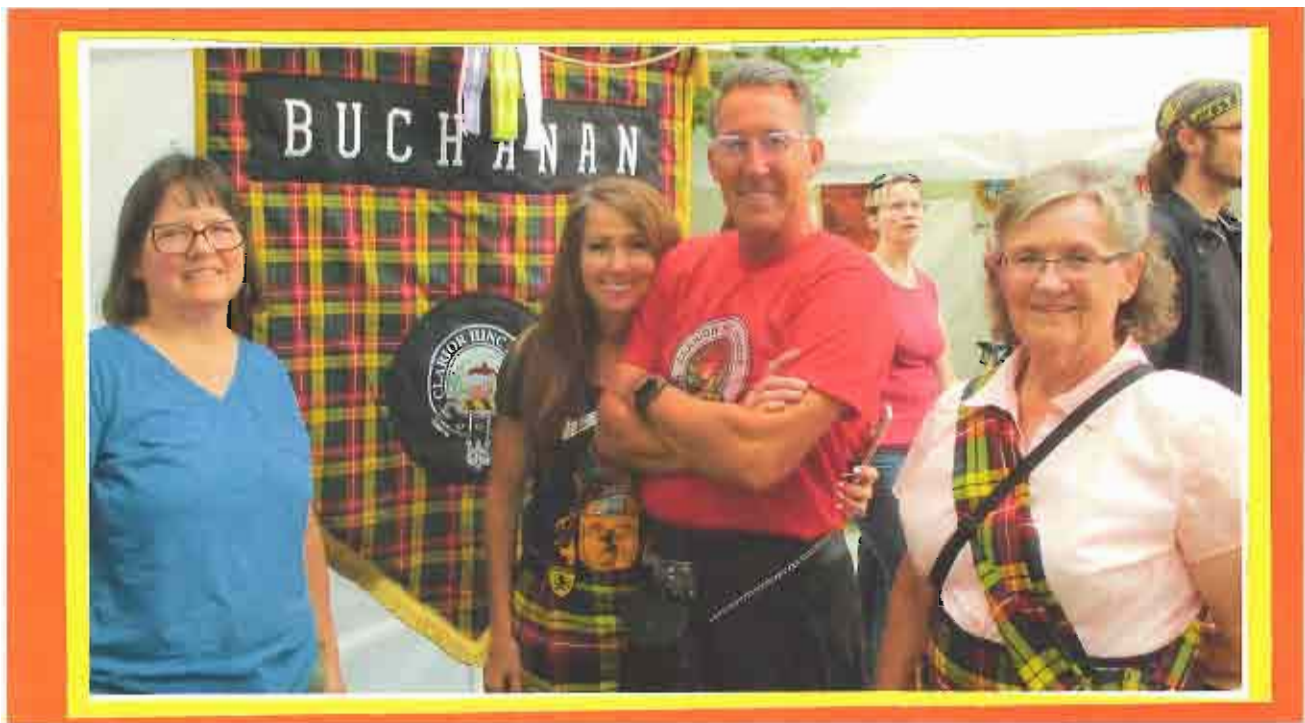


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Photos on the right: Close friend, Fintan Rafferty, Bruce Buchanan and Angus Buchanan, The Younger.

Bottom: Bruce and The Buchanan



CBSI in Payson, Utah!

Kim McCammon, CBSI Utah, sent in this photograph of Judy Bylsma Arata, Lori Buchanan, Utah Regent Reed Buchanan, and June McCammon.

The picture was taken in Payson, Utah at the 35th Annual Payson Scottish Games, held this July 12th and 13th.



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Buchanan Family Reunion huge



The Clan rejoiced in meeting one another and despite the less than perfect weather, the event was hugely successful!

Marilyn Buchanan and William "Grant" Buchanan

The Friday, August 4, 2018, evening Meet and Greet allowed those of us who had never met, to break the ice and have good conversations and a few laughs. Much appreciation is extended to Brenda and Linda M. for their tireless efforts in cooking and serving the appetizers!

The Bert Church Live Theatre vestibule and multi-purpose room in Airdrie, Alberta, Canada, was an excellent choice for the Saturday venue to be held! Doreen did a lovely job of decorating the dinner tables; while the display tables were adorned with an array of Buchanan memorabilia. Everything Buchanan from: tartan blankets and throws, tartan neckties, tapestry wall hangings, a poster depicting the Tartan Map of numerous clan tartans; and clothing attire was visible and added the necessary ambiance to the room. Honourable mention goes to Grant and Linda Buchanan for their numerous contributions to all of the above.

Thanks also for those who brought photo al-

bums, scrapbooks and articles of nostalgia!

Special thanks to Lynn Skillen for the Buchanan Tartan Coasters, she provided as a souvenir to all!

An introductory game of Two Truths and a Yarn, provided a further opportunity for everyone



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to converse and get familiar. It was well received by all the participants.

The Buchanan Highland Games, commenced shortly after and three teams of 10 took up the challenge.

The Pantyhose Game, Highland Lawn Bowling (Bocce Ball) Disc Dunk were played indoors, much later in the day, when the weather cooperated a group of enthusiasts played Shot Put and Javelin toss, on the lawn outside the facility. The games were not a “cake walk” by any means. There was skill required and of course lots of laughter!!

Cameron and Tiffany were tasked with the responsibility of selecting the prizes and they did a fine job! A lot of thought went into the prizes. The first-place winners were Team #1. They really were admirable!

Kent was a superb “Master of Ceremonies” and with a Scottish accent and all, he performed an “address to the Haggis”! He reminded us of the motto of the clan, being “clarior hinc honos” – “Henceforth the honour shall grow ever brighter.” He led the “Selkirk Grace” and toast to the Buchanan’s. Meanwhile, Scott and Kirk (Marilyn’s grandsons) “toasted” the Elders of the Clan (being Grant and Marilyn) and also a “toast” to the Future.



Kent presented a “SGIAN DUBH” (a Scottish Knife) to Grant as a symbol to be the coordinator of the next Buchanan Reunion. He accepted

and we can look forward to our 2nd reunion in 5 years in The Pas, Manitoba, or destination to be determined.

The Supper Buffet was handled by *Saffron Personal Chef Services* and included: mixed green salad, corn & black bean salad, potatoes, BBQ Chicken Breast, Grilled Salmon Fillet, Pork Spare-ribs, hot vegetables, and bread buns. Cake and Cookies and beverages, were also available.

Speeches and awards took place after dinner. Marilyn provided a recollection of the Buchanan Clan going back to her grandfather William Hector “Billy” and grandmother Priscilla Buchanan. Also, how she perceived the various “Branches of the Family Tree”, along with naming talented relatives with athletic attributes and music, singing and dancing skills!

Grant and Rod both delighted and evoked emotion with their family-related stories. In fact, Rod won a prize for his presentation!

Marilyn was overwhelmed and surprised on being presented a Certificate of Excellence in Family Planning - signed by all those present. In addition, someone with very good taste chose a Royal Albert “Cheeky Pink” Teacup, saucer and plate as a gift for coordinating the Buchanan Reunion. As well, the gift was accompanied by a selection of herbal teas! This gift was unexpected and not necessary, however, the thoughtfulness of this action was very touching and most appreciated! Someone knew I love tea!!

While speaking of gifts and prizes, Grant was very creative and generous! Awarding people with decorative golf balls and inscribed with the words Buchanan Reunion 2018.

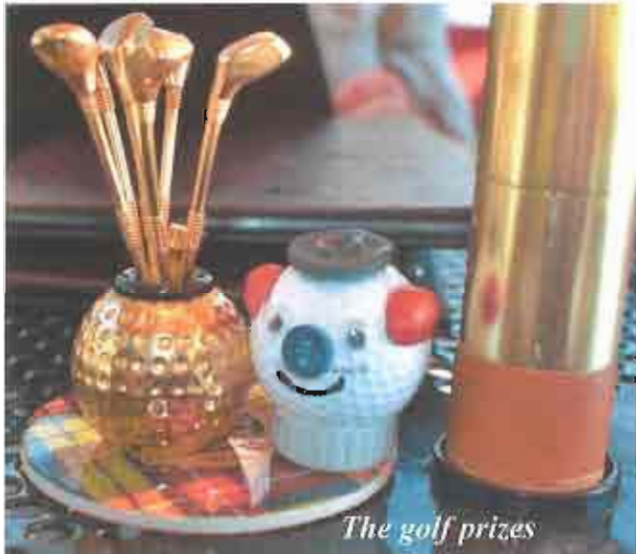
There was time for photo taking. (See page 15.) Doreen had brought “wooden picture frames” all the way from Manitoba and Grant, Linda and Kent had an array of hats and scarves to add a bit of fun and colour to the photos. Everyone got into the act and enjoyed themselves!

The Buffet Breakfast at the Woodside Golf Course was fabulous! Everything one could desire and more! They even had a senior’s price.

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Two teams of four played golf. They were: Rod Meredith, Jeff Colpitts, Grant & Linda



The golf prizes

Buchanan, Doreen & Robin Light, Lynn Skillen and Scott Buchanan. I understand that Doreen won the First Prize and Rod, Second Prize.

My heartfelt gratitude to everyone who attended, assisted and participated in making the re-



The Frisbee Game that afternoon.

union the success that it was!

A big bouquet of thanks to David and Jasmine for locating a space for the venue, to David for booking the brunch and for scheduling the golf Tee times.

Kudos to Kent for opening his home for the "Meet & Greet", for being Master of Ceremonies and for the handling of the Catering.

A big round of applause for Grant for the golf prizes!

To the Buchanan Clan and Wannabes – WELL DONE!



Everyone tired, but with happy memories of the Buchanan Reunion

The Buchanan names Hereditary Standard Bearer, George Lauder McAusland

John Michael Baillie-Hamilton Buchanan, Chief of the Name and Arms of Buchanan and Arnprior has appointed George Lauder McAusland of Paisley, Scotland his Arn Fear Brataich or Hereditary Standard Bearer.

The title of Standard Bearer is an ancient honor granted to a trusted member of the Chief's Household. His duties include carrying the Chief's Arms at public and ceremonial events when the Chief is present. The Standard Bearer is also charged with protecting and defending the Arms of the Clan Chief. In ancient times this often occurred during battle. The appointment is for life and will then be handed down to George's oldest son.

George will be the first Arn Fear Brataich to carry a Buchanan Clan Chief's Banner in over 335 years when he bears the Banner at the International Gathering of the Clan Buchanan at the New Hampshire Highland Games on 20-22 September 2019. The Games are being held at the Loon Mountain Resort in Lincoln, New Hampshire, and The Buchanan and his family will be attending.

George Lauder McAusland was born in Elderslie, Scotland (birth place of Sir William Wallace) and is a retired police officer.

He was raised and educated in Paisley before joining Strathclyde Police at the age of nineteen in 1979.

He served in a number of uniform roles until 1989 when he was appointed to the Criminal Investigation Department where he specialized in major investigations including homicides and terrorism.

He qualified as a Crime Scene Manager and began specializing in forensic crime scene examination and helped to set up a national forensic science quality control system before retiring from Strathclyde Police to take up a position as national police liaison officer with the Scottish Police Authority in 2009.

He retired once again in 2012 and took up a part time position with Glasgow University overseeing examinations.

His hobbies include football (soccer), lawn bowls when the Scottish summer weather permits, and genealogy.

He has been researching his family tree for many years and has now taken part in a number of DNA projects including the Buchanan project through which he was delighted to discover he was descended from the chiefly line of Clan Buchanan.

George has served as Commissioner for the Clan Buchanan Society International for the United Kingdom and Ireland since 2017.

George was instrumental in organization the Clan's participation in the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo in August of 2017.

He enjoys traveling with his wife Margaret and spending as much time as possible enjoying the sunshine in his favorite little Spanish village. Retirement has allowed George to spend time with his family and in particular with his three grandchildren while not forgetting the family dog Brodie.

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How to
pronounce
BUCHANAN

In North America the Scot-
tish Clan's name is pro-
nounced "B-eww-cannon."
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Colquhoun gravestones at Luss at Lochlomondside

Your editor's friend, Blue Badge Scottish Guide, Fraser Gordon, was on a vacation himself at Luss recently.

Knowing about the affinity of the Buchanans and the Colquhouns (and that I am *Buchanan Banner* editor), he sent along this photo of the gravestones of the chiefs and members of the Colquhoun family in the graveyard at Luss Church.

Thanks, Fraser!



The Buchanan Banner is on Electric Scotland!

Thanks to our friend, Alastair McIntyre.

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Mike Buchanan - The Buchanan,

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entry in these games.

Interestingly, it is the only event in the Commonwealth Games which is open to both men and women.

Mike has also toured with British or Scottish teams to Canada, Kenya, New Zealand and Zimbabwe.

After we married, Mike continued working on *Cambusmore Estate* while we raised our 4 children.

During this time he has been Captain of the Scottish Match Rifle team for 9 years, leading the Scottish team which beat England, Wales and Ireland to win the Elcho Shield at Bisley for a record 4 times in a row for Scotland. (Our first dog was called Elcho!)

Mike has also won the main national championship in the Match Rifle class, called the Hopton, which is competed for over ranges from 1,000 to 1,200 yards at Bisley Camp, Bisley being the National Shooting Centre for the UK.

Over 100 people enter this competition which takes place over four days of individual competitions.

The Hopton is awarded to the person who gets the highest aggregate score and as such is highly competitive and a much prized award.

Mike has won the Hopton an impressive 5 times.



Mike has also been a Community Councillor (non political) and chaired or served as trustee on three charities and two other rifle clubs.

After the great honour of becoming the Clan Chief of Clan Buchanan, Mike is now looking forwards to travelling round the world as much as he can to meet fellow clan members and do what he can to work with the CBSI in supporting the worldwide Buchanan Clan.



Our CBSI members have some tartan things to share....

As a member of the Gibson sept of Clan Buchanan, I have a few tartan pieces to "re-home."

The kilt is a child's size and the two men's vests would fit a young man. This is a perfect opportunity to get the next generation interested in clan finery!

Each piece is being sold for \$10.00 (well worth it for the wool tartan material alone).

Pieces will be shipped by Priority Mail, the cost dependent on how many pieces are purchased, as items will be shipped the most economic way possible.

To purchase or for questions, please contact Mary Gibson McCoy at mccoy3605@hotmail.com.

If YOU have something to sell or give away, just send a photo and complete information to bethscribble@aol.com.

**Congratulations to
Pedro (Pete) Buchanan
of Mexico City!**

**He is the first CBSI commissioner
for both Mexico
and Central America!**



Thomas R. Freeman, Jr., FSA Scot - Heraldic Artist

His name was Ian. He lay face down near the top of a small rise toward the east end of a great field. It was cold...enough to make his body ache but not enough to bring him to full wakefulness. The wind was moaning low over the ground and, from the sound, it seemed the earth must be hurting, too

He was a young lad, maybe thirteen, maybe younger, but stoutly built and old enough to swear an oath of fealty to his Chief. Old enough that, when the call to arms came, he would not be left behind when his father and brothers headed to battle.

He didn't know it yet but one of those brothers was now dead, crushed under the weight of a horse as it charged when the fighting had moved away, leaving him suddenly exposed, alone and an easy target. Now, he too lay twisted on the cold, hard ground, his spear broken beneath him as he fell.

The wind that had come in gusts all day, now blew steady from the north, bringing the rain that had threatened off and on since dawn. It was icy and stinging where it spattered against exposed skin and, at last, it was enough to bring young Ian around.

At first, he didn't remember where he was or what he was doing. He did know that his head ached as if his uncle had used it as an anvil to bend hot iron. His hand went to his right temple and came away red and dirty. Rising to a sitting position, he looked about him and, in a rush, knew exactly where he was and exactly what he had been doing.

Bodies of men lay all about the small hillock where he sat. Some were covered in blood while others appeared to simply have lain down to take a

nap. But none were moving and he understood enough to know he needed to find his way back to the fighting. His father and brothers might need him and his strong sense of personal honor allowed him no other course of action.

The staff he had carried as his only weapon was nowhere to be seen, but there were weapons scattered about, enough to fill his needs. He stood on shaky legs and, taking a few steps down the hill, reached out his hand to grasp the hilt of a dirk that lay nearby. As with many of his kin, he had never held such a weapon and his hand marveled at the feel of it, well worn and much used. Its edge, though chipped and notched, was still sharp, the blade straight. The fact that it remained unclaimed on the field reminded him that the dirk's former owner would never hold it again. Now was his turn to wield it as best he could or die honorably in the trying.

He remembered what his father had told him as they prepared to leave that very morning: If you get lost in the fighting, look to the Chief's banner. If you cannot find it raised above the melee, it may be that we have lost the day. Then you must run home and tell your mother and all the others who await our return.

Ian strode to the top of the highest ground nearby and turned his gaze to the farthest borders of the open land about him. He turned slowly seeing no movement at all. How could so many men have clashed where he now stood and then have so completely disappeared? Except for their dead, he thought. He had come almost full circle when, as he turned westward, he saw a far off mass of moving men. Like ants pouring from an anthill. He could

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just make out the sound of metal on metal. His people, most importantly his father and brothers, must be there somewhere and he must go and find them.

It was at that moment the lowering sun dipped beneath the clouds and lit the top of a far hill. The brief light fell upon a great standard whipping in the wind and rain. Ian had the eyes of a hawk, as his father often said, and he could just make out the image of a rearing black lion against a background of gold. It was his Chief's banner and Ian knew it was where the fighting would be the worst. He was also sure it was where the men of his family would be, in the thick of it.

He took a deep breath, spat out the trickle of blood that had collected in his mouth and set off as fast as his legs could carry him over the mournful

broken ground. For his Chief, his family, his clansmen and his own honor.

Thus was heraldry used in battle, for good or ill. Today, the need for flying heraldry on the modern battlefield has been reduced to emblems and patches worn on modern standard uniforms. Some additional uses include identifying marks on aircraft, tanks and the like.

But today, tanks and planes can destroy each other without ever coming anywhere near or within sight of each other. The new identifiers are digital signals: radar, sonar, heat seeking receivers and radio detection. A new heraldry for a new age.

It is still true, however, that, when the inevitable fallen warriors are returned home, they do so o'erdraped by the flag of the country and people they so valiantly served.

And, nowadays, in the "modern" days of heraldry these are the "flying heraldry" you'll see!

Examples of Modern Heraldic Flags and Their Uses

For illustrative purposes, the examples shown here are among those created for the newly named Chief of Clan Buchanan, *Clan Buchanan's first Chief in more than three hundred years.*



The Standard

A long tapering flag twelve feet in length by four feet at the hoist (the end closest to the flagpole) with the fly end rounded. Standards for peers and barons will have the end split and rounded. The hoist end usually bears the arms of the armiger (the individual who has been awarded a grant of arms by Lyon Court). The remainder of the flag, in this example, consists of three copies of the owner's crest spaced by two transverse bands bearing the motto, all shown on a field, or background, of the two main livery colors. The standard is used as a 'headquarters' flag to denote a base or rallying point for the Chief's followers and clansmen.

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The Lady Buchanan takes us all to the Luss Highland Gathering 2019 on Loch Lomond

Paula, The Lady Buchanan

Games on the shores of Loch Lomond.

I have been told it is the first ever time that other clans have been invited to take part in the events and have a presence at this games. This was a great honour for the Clan Buchanan as the Luss games, held annually on Clan Colquhoun lands since 1875, are one of the oldest highland games in Scotland.

The Chief of the Colquhouns is also the hereditary chieftain of the games. As expected with this history and experience, arrangements for this event were as smooth as they could be. Even the weather cooperated fully as the sun was out with a little light breeze and as such could not have been more blissful.

I have to say I felt really moved by the magnificent views of Loch Lomond in the midst of the majestic surrounding mountains when we were waiting for the procession from the pier to start. It was easy to imagine the time hundreds of years ago when the Chiefs of Clan Buchanan were neighbours with the Colquhouns on the loch and possibly socialised or alternatively lobbed rocks on each

other from either sides from their boats!

Yesterday, myself, Angus and Rory attended the Luss Highland

other from either sides from their boats!

Well, we also took Poppy and Daisy to be part of the amazing piped procession to the grounds of the games and they did so well. We managed to arrive without them tripping anyone of us or the people around us up with their leads, which was great as Poppy is not really much used to a lead, as there is no real need for one at home.



Sir Malcolm and Lady Colquhoun

When we reached the showground, Sir Malcolm, Lady Colquhoun and their family and myself all entered the field where Patrick, Sir Malcolm's eldest son and the Chieftain of the Luss games, spoke eloquently to welcome everyone there and to open the games.

They were opened with the most fun event of a sheep dog skillfully herding geese into the show field, which I have to admit looked absolutely hilarious! Following this and a few other events we headed to the Clan Buchanan tent and discovered that the Buchanans and the Clan McEuan had tents created either side of the Colquhoun's one. So it was lovely to be able to easily socialise with the other clans present.

In fact we got on so well with the McEuans representatives that we joined forces with them in

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Clan Buchanan shines at the Highland Gathering

LUSS
(Loch Lomond)
HIGHLAND GATHERING

George McAusland, CBSI Commissioner for Scotland

On Saturday 6th July 2019 Clan Buchanan had the very first Clan tent at the Luss Highland Gathering on the beautiful banks of Loch Lomond.

Clan Colquhoun have been holding the games since 1875 and had arranged a clan gathering where over 70 Clan Colquhoun International Society members, mainly from the USA had gathered for three days of clan entertainment.

Clan Buchanan and Clan McEwen were invited to take part in the games followed by a ceilidh in the evening.

My wife, Margaret, and I began to gather Buchanan items months in advance to make sure the tent was as colourful as possible.

John de la Cruz and his wife Viv, CBSI Regent for England and Wales agreed to travel from their home about 250 miles away in England to help us on the day. John also brought along many items for the tent including a great printed history of the clan.

I contacted our new Chief and invited him along to take part but unfortunately "The Buchanan" had a previous engagement that weekend as he was representing Scotland in an international shooting competition against Australia.

Lady Buchanan kindly agreed to attend along with two of her sons Angus and Rory to represent "The Buchanan"

The day finally arrived and with the Scottish sun shining we all made our way to Loch Lomond.

The Chieftain of the games, Patrick Colquhoun, the oldest son of Sir Malcolm Colquhoun the Clan Chief led the parade from the pier on the banks of the loch to the games field with the Helensburgh Clan Colquhoun Pipe Band in fine form.

During the opening ceremony we were warmly welcomed along with Clan McEwen.

Three clan tents had been set up in a row and the initial time was spent getting to know our neighbours from both clans with everyone being extremely welcoming and friendly.

During the day we were visited by many people asking questions about the clan and its history but in particular we had Gibson descendants from Anchorage, Alaska, and Central Valley, California, Gibbs from Ayrshire, Scotland, Buchanan's from Glasgow, Harpers from Goose Bay, Canada, Waters from Houston, Texas, and Quebec, Canada,

and last but not least Buchanan's from Luss itself.

I had made up leaflets giving the full details of the CBSI which everyone took away with

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The Scottish Shooting Team with "The Buchanan" fourth from right.



Lady Buchanan in the Opening Parade (white top with sash) with her son, Rory, on her left and oldest son, Angus, on his left wearing the red hat.

them so hopefully we will have some new members soon.

One of our CBSI members Allyson Black nee McCausland came along and spent the day with us and has agreed to help out at future events.

Emily Redman from The Scotland Shop, based in Edinburgh, came into the tent to say hello and told me that she had met CBSI President David Byrne at New York's Tartan Day and he had told her to come and see us. She brought some lovely rosettes in Buchanan modern tartan as a gift, which was lovely.

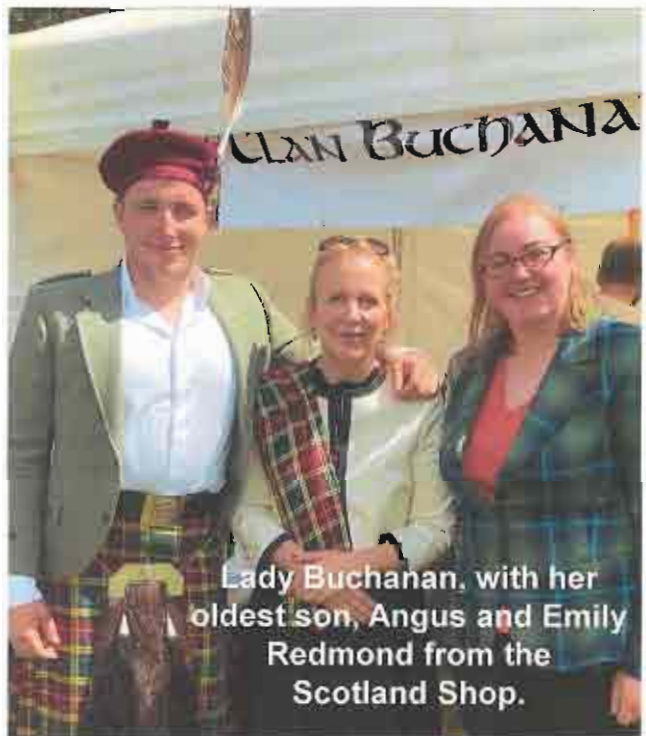
The hosts had made arrangements to hold a "Clan battle" which consisted of a mini Highland games between the three clans and due to the high number of Colquhouns it was decided that Clan Buchanan and Clan McEwen would have one joint team while Clan Colquhoun would have three teams competing.

The Clan Buchanan/ McEwen team consisted of Angus and Rory Buchanan and I along with Sean McCuin, the Chairman of Clan McEwen Society, and one of his clan members. The events consisted of tossing the sheath, the shot putt, tossing the (mini) caber and the tug of war.

We all had a great time taking part and were still in contention until the final event which was the tug of war where we were a little outclassed and certainly out weighed by the winning team.



George McAusland's grandchildren, Summer and Archie, at the front of the clan with flags.

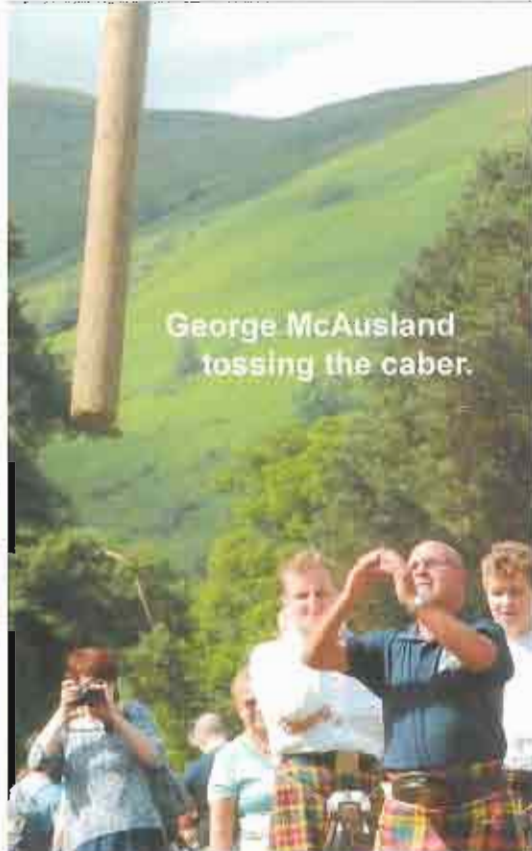


Lady Buchanan, with her oldest son, Angus and Emily Redmond from the Scotland Shop.

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Rory tossing the sheaf.



George McAusland
tossing the caber.



Angus tossing the sheaf.

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Loch Lomondside*

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George McAusland's
grandson, Archie,
tossing the Caber!



Angus putting the shot



Team Buchanan and McEwen in the Tug o' War



Team Buchanan and McEwan with opponents Clan Colquhoun

The day seemed to just fly by with everyone enjoying the fun and getting to know each other. Lady Buchanan and I agreed that this, our first ever event, had been a great success and hope this will become an annual event.



My wife, Margaret, and I with grandkids. (L)

CBSI group at the CBSI tent



Clans Buchanan, Colquhoun and McEwen



Michael Lloyd -Stern, Executive Director of the Clan Colquhoun International - The Lady Buchanan and myself. (L)

Needless to say, a good time was had by all at the Luss Highland Gathering.



Black Lion Flags



BLACK LION FLAGS are now available from the CBSI.

Our quartermaster has received a new shipment of our Black Lion Flags. The price including shipping and handling is \$85.00 in the USA.

These are custom made flags printed on 3.2 oz jet flag material - imprinting on one side with the imprint clearly visible on the reverse - size is 3 ft X 5 ft. The flag is yellow with the Black Rampant Lion and red highlights and

brass grommets.

Payment is accepted through a secure pos system. Invoices will be emailed to you and payment with a major credit/debit card is made directly by you. We do not receive your card # - all major cards are accepted. Inquire about our check acceptance policy.

To inquire or order flag, you might wish to contact Danny McMurphy <quartermaster@theclanbuchanan.com>.



Orilla Scottish Festival named Clan Buchanan featured clan for 2019!

Scott Buchanan



On July 20, 2019 the Clan Buchanan was the featured Clan of the 42nd Annual Orillia Scottish Festival under a hot 32C sun. I had the privilege of representing David Byrne, President CBSI, along with the Clan Chieftain during the opening ceremonial address, and the 78th Fraser Highlanders Regi-

ment of Foot, Toronto and Georgia Garrisons while on parade.

This representation would not have been possible without assistance from the following individuals who made the program a success: Honorary Colonel, Rory MacKinnon and his Clans of Tecumseh Pipes and Drums band along with Ken Templeman Drum Major on parade.

Pipe Sergeant Leigh Gallant and Drum Sergeant Jeremy Ray of Beinn Gorm Highlanders contributed in an exemplary way. Pipe Sergeant Gallant led in their participation at the Royal Canadian Legion during a Clan Buchanan session adding an indelible luster to this already distinguished clan. The organization committee Chuck Penny and Angela Paylor and all the bands



The Lady Buchanan at Luss,

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the mini games held later that afternoon against the home ground Colquhoun team. Whilst sadly, the tug of war was not a strongpoint - well a white wash really (haha possibly due to the fact that our team had a higher proportion of smooth soled shoes) we distinguished ourselves in the other events such as the tossing the mini caber and pitching a haysack into a tyre ring. Actually we all gasped in amazement when Angus, who had never done this sport before, tossed the caber to the maximum limit possible. He also did well with the pitching too. The mark of a true Scot for sure!

At the end of the day we all agreed that this was something we would love to repeat in the future as we really enjoyed being part in this very authentic and traditional yet contemporary highland games.

Fortunately, I think the intention is to include, not just the Buchanan and McEuan Clans for next years Luss Highland Games, but more of the historic local Loch Lomondside clans such as the McGregors.

We are now so looking forwards to attending next year, but will not forget to pack the right shoes this time!

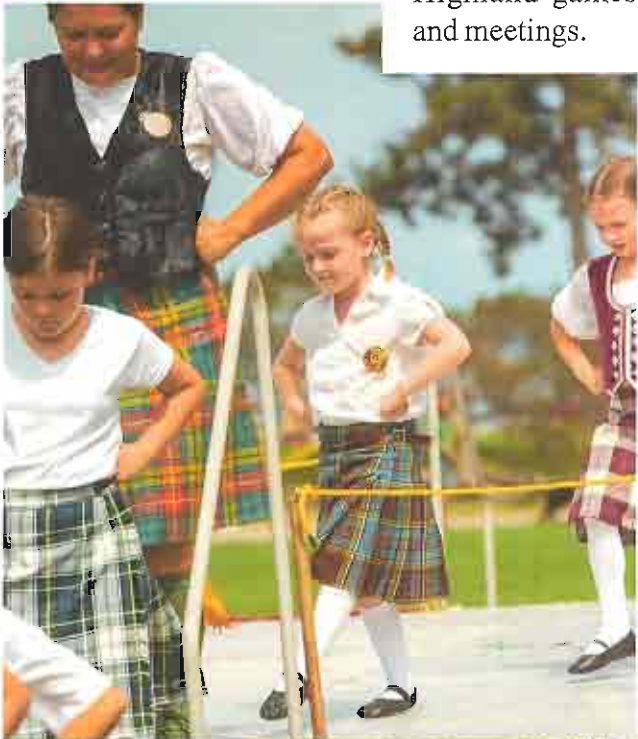
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that participated made this honouring of the clan a success.

Thank you to everyone who gave of their time and talents in representing Clan Buchanan. I look forward to meeting many of the Clans at future Highland games and meetings.





With Honorary Colonel Rory McKinnon and the Clans of Tecumseh Band that led the Buchanan march. Scott is on the far right.



With Drum Majors Barry Gougeon and Ken Templeman, Pipe Sergeant Leigh Gallant

Pipe Sergeant, Leigh Gallant, has many responsibilities with the pipe band

Here is Pipe Sergeant, Leigh Gallant with Scott Buchanan.

A Pipe Sergeant has responsibilities to: Perform the duties of the pipe major in his/her absence. To set an example of expected behaviour for all band members. The PS assists the pipe major as requested.

Leigh Gallant assists the band director and the pipe major in organizing band members, setting up equipment, providing direction to junior band members.

The Pipe Sergeant is always located at the left front corner of the band opposite the Pipe Major

Leigh Gallant was born and raised in the area of Pictou, Nova Scotia, on Canada's Eastern Seaboard. Leigh began her piping career at an early age. She was taught proper drill and deportment and band protocol. She is a very proficient piper and Pipe Sergeant who resides in Collingwood, Ontario Canada.



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The Pinsel

The pinsel is a small triangular flag granted by the Lord Lyon to chiefs or special chieftain barons to whom the chief has granted authority to act in his behalf on a particular occasion.

The pinsel is four and one half feet long by two feet at the hoist. It depicts the chief's crest encircled by a strap and buckle bearing the motto, that being enclosed by a circlet bearing the chief's title. The fly of the pinsel bears the plant badge and a scroll bearing the motto or slogan.

The Heraldic Banner as House Flag

The Heraldic Banner is designed to identify and show the location of the armiger. When it is flown over his house it indicates his property while, in other places, it designates his presence.

When used as the house flag, it has the option of different dimensions than those of a parade banner. The size should match the height of the home and the flagpole on which it is flown. It should be large enough to be identifiable from a reasonable distance and is generally square, though some, depending on the individual arms, may be slightly larger vertically for a better appearance.

There is another heraldic banner designed to be carried in processions and the like. It is generally smaller and carried by the armiger or his designated bearer.



The Pipe Banner

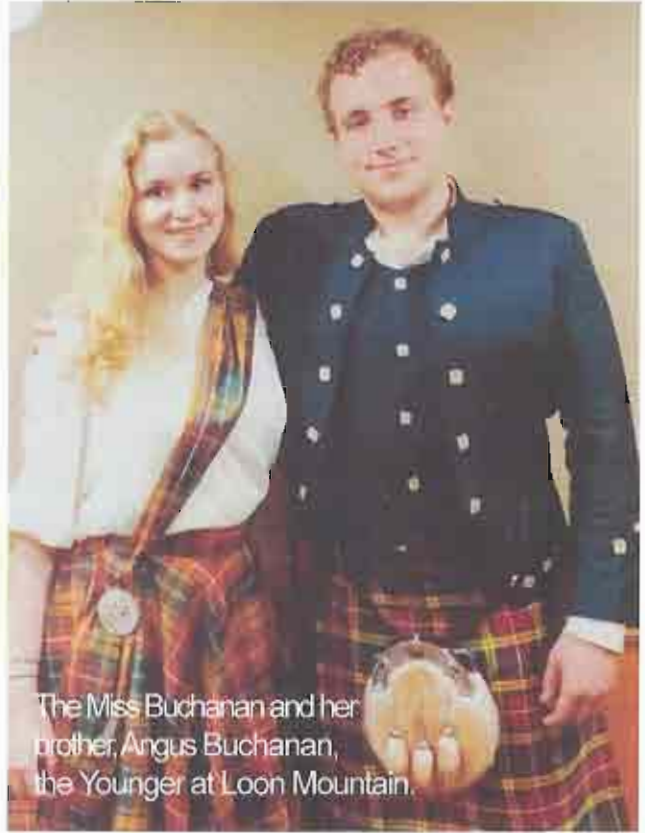
The pipe banner is designed to be displayed hanging from the bass drone, longest of the three drones found on the Great Highland Bagpipe. The top edge of this banner is slanted to hang vertically from the drone and down behind the piper's back. It may have a single rounded, double tail or any other sort of shape as best presents the arms of the armiger.

The pipe banner may have two different sides and, if so, a layer of black fabric is sewn between the two sides, preventing light from showing through. A fringe may be used, either plain or of the appropriate tartan.

Clan Buchanan at the Loon Mountain Highland Games



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The Miss Buchanan and her brother, Angus Buchanan, the Younger at Loon Mountain.



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Bitterroot Celtic Games & Gathering keeps on growing and getting better!

Don & Donna McCammon, Montana Regents, Region 12

Twenty-five clans, six participating pipe bands, five extraordinary entertainment acts, Scottish American Association (SAAAA) sanctioned athletic competitions, Highland dancing, Kirkin' o' th' Tartan, loads of vendors and (finally!) great food and beverages! This event keeps growing and getting better each and every year! This year's event was again held on the grounds of the beautiful and historic Daly Mansion, in Hamilton, Montana.

Have you ever wanted to play the bagpipes, but didn't know where to start? Rob Lynn, Clan Buchanan member and Pipe Major to the Celtic Dragon Pipe Band, held an "Intro to Bagpipes" Clinic at the Bitterroot Games. We hope to see more of these students in the ranks of pipers in the future! Great idea, Rob!

Don McCammon wrote and conducted the Kirkin' o' th' Tartan service. Maureen Wallace, a

piper with the Billings Caledonian Pipes and Drums, and Clan Buchanan member, provided special music. The kirkin' broke attendance records. Don has already been asked to do another service in 2020.

Have you ever been to a "Bonniest Knees" contest? Ladies are blindfolded and judge the knees of the man in kilts using only their (the ladies) sense of touch. Great entertainment for both the lads and lassies! Don McCammon emceed this spectacular event.

- Amy Williams and her spouse, Bruce Truett, both Clan Buchanan members, competed in the msters 40-49 athletic events. That was no small feat for them as they also both hold down full time jobs AND are building their own house in western Montana. Hats off to both of you!

Be sure and save the date for next year's Bitterroot games - August 15, 16, 2020! See you there!



Spokane, Washington, celebrates their 63rd Scottish Highland Games!

Donna McCammon

The 63rd Annual Spokane Highland Games were held Saturday, August 3, 2019 at the Spokane County Fair & Expo Center. It was great reconnecting with old friends and meeting new faces as well. Nora Tiffany, who joined Clan Buchanan last year, welcomed us back to Spokane with a bottle of Buchanan Scotch – you know the way to our hearts Nora! Thank you!!

Clan Buchanan has long been proudly represented at these games; however, this was only our 3rd year hosting the clan tent in Spokane. Since that time, we have seen Allison Buchanan advance from being “interested” in dancing to winning multiple dancing medals! We appreciate your hard work Allison; congratulations on all your awards! Allison’s parents are Dirk and Kayla Buchanan from Rathdrum, Idaho.



Dirk Buchanan (Dad), Allison Buchanan, Highland Dancer, Kayla Buchanan (Mom) at the Spokane Highland Games.

Rob Lynn and Shelley Phillips, both long-time Clan Buchanan members, drove over from Missoula, Montana, for the event. Rob is Pipe

Major for Missoula’s Celtic Dragon Pipe Band and organized and led piping ensemble performances throughout the day; several of his students competed in the piping events. Rob Lynn and Don McCammon both joined massed band performances at the opening and closing ceremonies.

We hope you didn’t miss it – but Bruce Ridley put on a most memorable Robert Burns Poetry Slam again this year. This continues to be one of the top entertainment venues at the games - many of you remember that Bruce and Susan Ridley joined our great clan at the 2018 games.

A big thank you to everyone from Clan Buchanan who participated in these games and continue to make it such a great event - the pipers, dancers, athletes, entertainers and all those committed members who march in the open ceremonies parade! THANK-YOU CLAN BUCHANAN MEMBERS!



Clan Buchanan lining up for the Parade of Tartans at Spokane, Washington.

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Queen Charlottes Ball,

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All the guests enjoyed a delicious dinner and the debutants had a father daughter dance. The event was truly successful and many friendships were made.

All the family, except poor Rory who was at school, were there proudly wearing their Buchanan tartan of course. A few reels were enjoyed later too, haha with Angus and Bruce around, this was kind of inevitable!

So it was sad when the evening came to a close, but considering the amount of money raised for the children, we would not be the only ones to benefit from that magical evening.

The Queen Charlotte's Ball is the crowning event of the London Season, a series of traditional events for elite Brits. It was introduced by King George III in 1780 to celebrate his wife's birthday and the girls now curtsy to a giant Queen Charlotte cake.

"Today, officially, the focus is not on marriage but on giving ambitious girls the opportunity to further their careers and develop in social confidence," reads the *London Season's* website.

A technically amazing feat in the *Buchanan Banner* pages!

Above is a "clipping" from the the *Union Leader* newspaper in New Hampshire.

If you cannot read it, the caption of the photo of The Buchanan and The Lady Buchanan reads, "The Buchanan (clan leader) and The Lady Buchanan are John Michael Baillie-Hamilton Buchanan, 63, and his wife, Paula. They came from Scotland to attend the New Hampshire Highland Games and Festival."

To have this clipping here is somewhat of a technical marvel. Originally created for the newspaper in New Hampshire, it was put "up" on their own newspaper website. Later, after the games, it was photographed on one of the Buchanan's cell phones and sent to Scotland for the Lady Buchanan. It was then emailed to your editor in Clarkesville, Georgia who was, miraculously, able to manipulate it for these pages.



The Miss Buchanan in the center with two of the other 2019 Debutantes.

Clan Buchanan pipers join in with the Polson Pipe Band at Dayton (MT) Daze Parade!

Donna McCammon

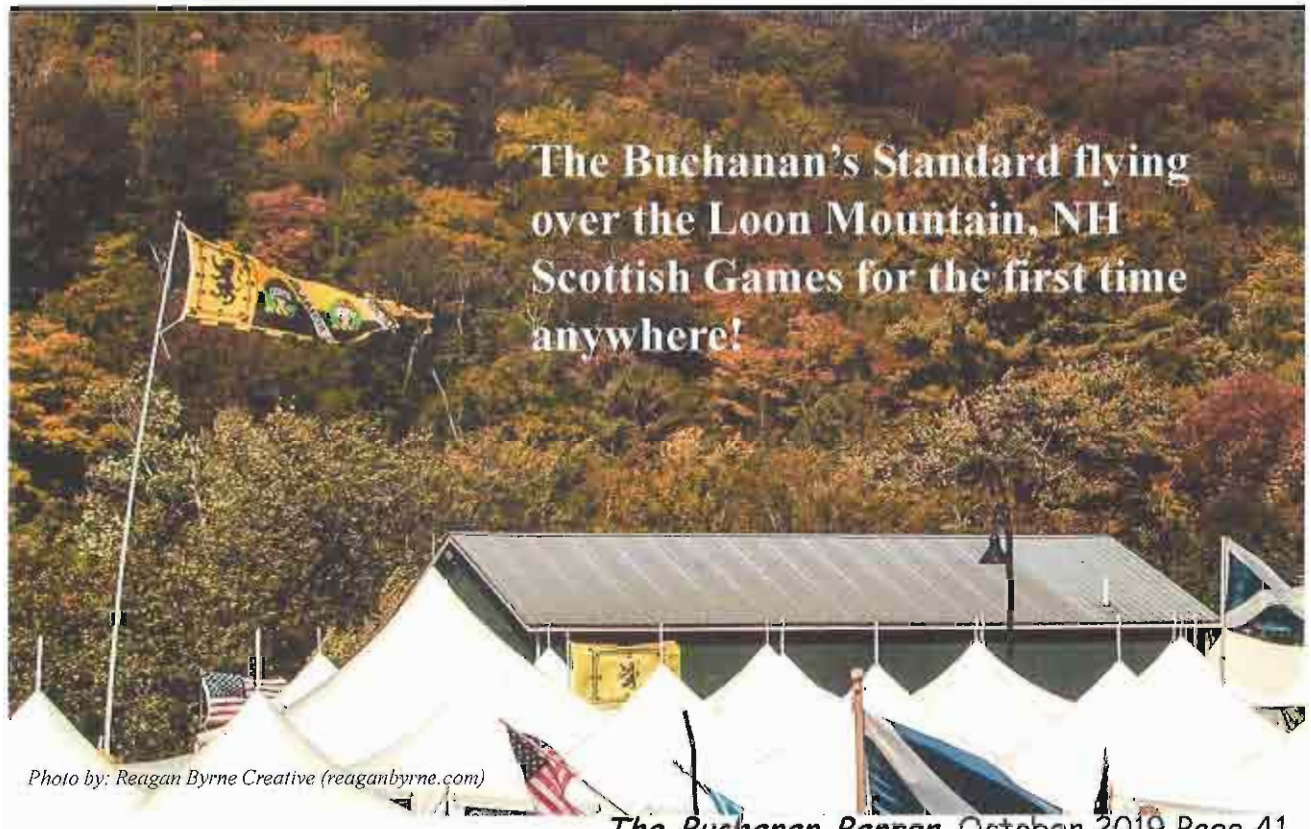
Don and Donna McCammon, both bagpipers and Clan Buchanan Region 12 Regents, joined with the Polson Pipe Band for the September 7, 2019 Dayton Daze Parade.

Dayton is a small community of 95 people on the west shore of Flathead Lake.

Every year the size of the town triples with



the Dayton Daze celebration. This year Don and Donna joined the festivities in matching modern hunting Buchanan kilts! Looking Good!!



The Buchanan's Standard flying over the Loon Mountain, NH Scottish Games for the first time anywhere!

Photo by: Reagan Byrne Creative (reaganbyrne.com)

Thank you from The Lady Buchanan

I have been told that the sheer numbers of Buchanans at the New Hampshire Loon Mountain Games broke all previous attendance records for a single clan at Loon Mountain Games.

Mike, myself, Angus, Lucy and Bruce all really had a marvellous time there. The weather came out in force for us all as there was hardly a cloud in the sky for the whole three days. Even the colours in the massive forests of surrounding trees mimicked those in the Buchanan tartan and seemed to be coming out to welcome and support all the Buchanans there.

Mike was particularly overwhelmed by the sheer support from all the Buchanans present. He really loved every moment of the events. Meeting all the many members of the Buchanan clan there made all the many years of work sorting out his personal genealogy in order to make the chiefship petition, so worth while.

Angus, Bruce and Lucy also so much enjoyed being part of this event and really had fun at the end of the Tartan ball, when every one was guided through some traditional Scottish Reels. There was a lot of fast swirling and spinning and turning during the dances and apparently the person who was in charge of the music and dancing that evening said he had not seen anything like it before! I think he was impressed with the sheer energy and enthusiasm from all those dancing.

What I found amazing was that even the local policemen wore kilts. Indeed we soon discovered the very friendly and helpful head of the local po-

lice force to be a Morris (and one of his colleagues was a McKinley). So they were Buchanans too!

Gosh, thanks are due to so many people who all played their own part in making this such a special and very memorable event.

Firstly, a big thanks to David Byrne and his lovely family and all the clan officials who manned the tent.

It was clearly not only the biggest tent, it was the best by far. Even the tent's flowers were colour coordinated to the Buchanan tartan. The food brought by some of the clan was also delicious...including the cheesy loaf and shortbread and cake with raisins in. No one went hungry who visited the tent.

Also, many thanks are due to Thomas Freeman for creating such marvellous flags which not

only adorned the tent so gloriously but were used to such great effect in the parades.

Talking about parades...a big well done to George MacAusland whose arms (and legs) amazingly held out after carrying the massive 12 foot standard to such glorious effect.

Thanks are also due to the diligent work of Regan Byrne who took so many amazing photographs throughout which so captured the spirit of the event. Lastly, well done to Andrea, the best dressed lady of the event, who looked amazing throughout. Also, R. Scott Buchanan for his glorious piping and Ashley for her excellent drumming.

We were so sad to leave but so happy to have been there and will cherish the memories.



Rory, The Lady Buchanan and The Buchanan

The Buchanan presents certificates to George Lauder McAusland and R. Scot Buchanan at Loon Mountain.

*The very first certificates
presented by the new Chief!*

The Buchanan has appointed his Piper to the Clan Buchanan, R. Scot Buchanan. At the recent Loon Mountain Scottish Games, Mr. Buchanan was presented a certificate showing everyone that he has been honoured in this way.

(See story, page 7, this publication about Mr. R. Scot Buchanan.)

The Buchanan has also named his Hereditary Standard Bearer, George Lauder McAusland. Mr. McAusland was also honoured at the recent Loon Mountain Scottish Games by being presented his own certificate proclaiming his appointment.

Mr. R. Scot Buchanan's photo is to the far right on this page. Mr. McAusland's photo is directly right.

(See story, page 18, this publication about Mr. George Lauder McAusland.)




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Planet Earth. The Milky Way
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The Buchanan sent us this copy of a portrait of him painted just before his 8th birthday. He was dressed in his Buchanan tartan. The artist was Carlos Sancha.

