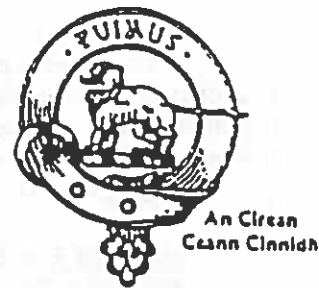


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BANNOCKBURN



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INTRODUCTION

There is not much to report from California this time. We are enjoying normal, dry and cool weather. Just right for the farmers. Children are in school. I am busy as usual with many projects. I now have an email address for members who are online:

emcames_lemoorenet.com

Notice that we have a few Queries in this issue. It would be really great to have more of these, along with replies to some of them. Please give this some thought!

Also, take note of the fact that our President has a change of street address. It is now 90 Chestnut street. It is the same house in the same location.

Yours Aye, Emily McClaine , Editor
621 W. Malone St
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MESSAGE from the PRESIDENT

Greetings to all our members! This has been a particularly busy season for my husband and myself as we've tried to attend the many Scottish activities in our area. The highlight for us was the Scottish Concert which we presented in honor of Tartan Day. The concert was an overwhelming success. I shall never forget the astonishment on our Treasurer Frank Scammon's face when he looked out from the ticket office where he had volunteered to take admissions, and saw a multitude of customers waiting to get in!

The proceeds from the concert have helped to fund a number of our expenses, and we look forward to presenting another concert for Tartan Day, 1999.

Vice President Boyd Bruce and wife, Robin, have moved to Perry, FL and are busy attending Games in the Southland. Genealogy Chair Erlene Davis and Husband, Dana, host their Bruce tent at the Maine Games in Brunswick, ME near their summer home; then host their Bruce tent at Games in Sarasota, FL near their winter home--a perfect arrangement!

But we need many more such devoted representatives. If you know of Scottish events near you and are willing to be our host, please let us know. We have a "kit" made up to send you for your use.

With the Alexandria, VA Christmas Walk coming up, come and join VA Convener Grace Karish and ourselves for that December event. Grace has been busily hosting Bruce tents in VA for us.

We hope you will approve of the decision to move the Annual Meeting to different areas. Let us know where you would like it in 2000.

We shall look forward to meeting with you in June in Massachusetts!

Yours aye, Ernestine B. Firth
National President

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ANNUAL MEETING, JULY 11, 1998

President Firth presided at the Annual Meeting of the Family of Bruce Society held in the Chieftain's Tent during the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games on Saturday, July 11, 1998. Reports were read from the Officers. Vice President for West of the Mississippi, Col. James Calhoun, regretted that major surgery and ill health prevents him from continuing as our Western Vice President. The office is now open. His resignation was accepted with regret.

Treasurer Frank Scammon reported as follows:

BALANCE on hand, Dec. 1, 1997 6,408.95

INCOME, Dec. 1, 1997 to June 1, 1998:

Dues	3,880.00
Application fees	210.00
Sales	26.25
Postage reimbursements	5.50
Reimbursement from New England Treasurer Ken Bascom for Bruce tents at New England games	216.00
Gifts	35.00
Checking Account Interest	29.97

Total Receipts 4,402.72

EXPENSES

Clan ads in magazines	597.79
Genealogist's expenses	150.00
President's expenses	242.90
Office supplies	58.23
Printing (2 <i>Bannockburn</i> issues, Roster Supplement, dues notices, Envelopes, etc.)	2,033.66
Telephone	96.57
Games expense	575.27
To Ken Bascom for tartan	20.00
To Philip Bruce for address labels	19.46

Total Expenses 3,897.88

Profit 504.84

Bank Balance (per books) (per statement) 6,913.79

In Addition, the Society has a Certificate of Deposit which as of 2/28/98 has a balance of \$4,602.68

Membership Chairman Frank Scammon reported as follows:

Dues paid to 5/31/96:	29
Dues paid to 5/31/97	60
Dues paid to 5/31/98	108
Dues paid to 5/31/99	206
Dues paid to 5/31/00	1
Complimentary Memberships	22
Life Memberships	177
Total as of this date:	603

Newest members are Life #1134 and #1135

A lot of members send checks marked "dues for 1998-1999" but have not paid dues for two or three past years. I contact each and every one in regard to this. Each member has received a dues renewal notice with the Spring *Bannockburn*. Any suggestions or comments? Also, it is my belief that most of the membership do not care about the operation of the Society nor the work involved. This is borne out by Bruce attendance at the various Games. It's a shame! I don't see much of a future for the Society unless more members show a little pride and get involved. ~ G. F. Scammon

THE DUNBAR-BRUCE CONNECTION

The following article appears through the courtesy of D. Dunbar Chaplin III, CHieftain of Clan Dunbar, and Dr. J. C. Holsinger whom Dunbar Chaplin characterises as "the most knowledgeable Clan Dunbar 'scholar' in my opinion."

As to your question about "Robert the Bruce" (or the Family of Bruce) and the Dunbars, you probably already know the answers. However, here seem to be the facts (based on the *Fifth Edition* of *Ancestral Roots* by Weiss and Sheppard; and on a chart, published by *The Shakespeare Press* of Liverpool, published MCMX and later reproduced and distributed by *Clan Dunbar of the Western Hemisphere, Inc.*; and I have no reason to doubt that these two publications are accurate).

Relationship of Clan Dunbar members and the Family of King Robert the Bruce

Our Dunbar ancestor (Gospatrick the first Earl of Dunbar) is descended from Bethoc (one of at least two daughters of Malcolm II of Scotland) who married Crinan the Thane on 1000. [See Line 172 of *Ancestral Roots*.]

[The other daughter was the mother of Macbeth who tried to usurp the throne from her sister Bethoc's first son.]

Bethoc and Crinan had at least two sons: first **Duncan I** (from whom the Bruce Family ultimately trace their ancestry; although over the years numerous Bruce Family members also intermarried with Dunbar Family persons – their cousins) and secondly a son named **Maldred** who married EDITH (a daughter of King Aethelred II of England) who was the g,g,g,granddaughter of Alfred the Great. [See Lines 34 & 1, *Ancestral Roots*.] To **MALDRED & EDITH** was born (ca. 1040) a son **Gospatrick I**, who in 1072 was made the 1st. Earl of Dunbar. [See Line 34, *Ancestral Roots*.] Earlier Gospatrick had also been named the Earl of Northumberland and the Lord of Carlisle and Allerdale. [Line 34, *Ancestral Roots*.] It is from Bethoc and Crinan that *both* Clan Dunbar and the Bruce Family members descend and trace their royal ancestry.

Robert de Bruce (the Family of Bruce), therefore, descends from Maldred's (Gospatrick's father) brother **Duncan I**. To put it another way, *both* Clan Dunbar and the Bruce Family members descend and trace their royal ancestry through Bethoc and Crinan.

However, this line of kings from Duncan I (Duncan I, Malcolm III, Edgar, David I, Prince Henry of Huntington, whose granddaughter Isabel married Robert Bruce V), brought (in 1306) Robert the Bruce as Scotland's King. [Lines 25 & 170 of *Ancestral Roots*] So, the Family of Bruce and Clan Dunbar are cousins. Over the years various children of the direct line of Scottish kings have married their cousins of the name of Dunbar including Ada, the daughter of William I (the Lion), who married Patrick the 5th. Earl of Dunbar in the 1100's; and Robert Bruce's great granddaughter Marjory (daughter of Robert Bruce II) who in the 1300's married John Dunbar, known as the Earl of Moray as well. While these two families (Dunbar and Bruce) have not always agreed on political matters in Scotland, it was the wife (Agnes) of the 9th. Earl of Dunbar, who defied the English forces, supported the Bruce family, and for months successfully defended her castle of Dunbar against foreign English attacks. So, in summary, the Scottish Dunbar and Bruce families have always been cousins; and the intermarriage between Dunbar and Bruce family members over the years means that some of the present day members of the Family of Bruce are *both* direct descendants of Gospatrick the Earl of Dunbar (Clan Dunbar) and of Robert the Bruce (The Family of Bruce) as well. [See *Shakespeare Press* MCMX Chart.]

CEUD MILE FAILTE!!! (One Hundred Thousand Welcomes!!!)

The Officers and Members of the Family of Bruce Society in America extend a warm welcome to the following new Members, who have joined us since the Spring 1998 *Bannockburn* was printed:

- #1123 Mr. H. Bruce Montgomery of Atlantic Highlands NJ
- #1124 Mr. David Wayne Green of Shawnee, OK
- #1125 Miss Amy Bruce of Centerbrook, CT
- #L1126 Mrs. Harry Kenneth Smith of Smyrna GA
- #1127 Mr. John Crosbie of Richardson, TX
- #1128 Mr. Scott Carruthers of Dunnville, Ont. CAN.
- #1129 Mr. Rodney Lee Trytko of Spokane WA
- #1130 Mr. Wallace Owen McDaniel of Boulder CO
- #1131 Ms. Joan P. Loveless of Arroyo Seco NM
- #1132 Mr. Floyd Joseph ("Budd") Bruce of Charlotte, NC
- #1133 Mr. Philip Robert Livingston, Jr. of Glen Rock, NJ
- #1134 Ms. Cheryl H. Williams Callicott of Austin TX
- #1135 (Applicant has not yet matriculated)
- #1136 Mrs. Jodith Gaiero of Exeter NH
- #1137 Mr. Jason S. McDaniel of Denver CO
- #1138 Mr. Richard Alan Bruce of Knoxville TN
- #1139 Mr. Gregory Alan Wright of Knoxville TN
- #CD1140 Mr. Larry J. Vianello of Ft. Lee, NJ
- #1141 Mr. Boone Jenkins McKoy of Wadmalaw Island, SC
- #1142 Mr. John Ward Bruce, Sr., of Tallahassee, FL
- #F1143 Mr & Mrs Danny Madison of Ellisville, MS
- #1144 Ms. Betty Jean Fitzgerald of Raleigh NC
- #1145 Mr. Donald Fechner of Portland OR
- #1146 Mr. William F. MacGregor-Leyland of Montrose, CA

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