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invite the rest of the clan to join in the celebrations of the Year of Highland Culture  
by coming to Inverness, the capital of the Highlands, for a mini-gathering to take place  
**19th - 23rd July 2007**



Our gathering is built around the Inverness Highland Games (21st - 22nd July)  
one of the biggest in Scotland, and the only one to have a "Clan Village" - expected in 2007 to include  
some 40 clans from all over the Highlands (the Big Tent containing the "Clan Village" in 2006 is pictured above).  
The July 2007 Inverness Highland Games will also feature the return to Scotland for the first time since 1995 of the  
*World Highland Games Championships*, which is contested annually by the top 12 ranked professional "heavies" in the world.  
[www.invernesshighlandgames.com](http://www.invernesshighlandgames.com)

Other Highland 2007 events that weekend will include the Inverness Festival,  
described by organisers *Unique Events* as "ranging from the traditional and longstanding  
to the ultra contemporary, and from the mainstream crowd pullers to an eclectic and diverse Fringe."  
The Clan MacMillan programme - for details of which see inside - will include a ceilidh, a banquet,  
and the 2007 *Cancer Relief Clan Challenge* to raise money for

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# Clan MacMillan International Magazine



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## The Clan MacMillan International Centre at Finlaystone

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The Clan MacMillan International Magazine is published twice a year, and is sent free to all members of Clan MacMillan International, the worldwide organisation based at the Scottish home of Clan Chief George MacMillan. Subscriptions to CMI – which is open to all M'millans and sept-name bearers – help fund the work of the Clan Centre “...to collect, preserve, display and disseminate material about Clan MacMillan and its Septs for the benefit of clan members and other interested people; and to assist the chief, clan societies and individual clanspeople around the world in the promotion of the clan and its ideals” (Clan Centre Mission Statement drawn up by the Clan MacMillan Conclave in June 2000).

The annual subscription for 1<sup>st</sup> January to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2007 is UK £15 or US \$25. Cheques – in UK pounds or US dollars only please – should be made out to *Clan MacMillan International* and sent to: **Clan MacMillan International Centre, Finlaystone, Langbank, PA14 6TJ, Scotland.**

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## Clan MacMillan International Magazine, Issue No. 7, December 2006

**COVER STORY:** Spotted and photographed by Jack MacMillan (Richfield, MN) at the LeHigh Valley Celtic Festival in Pennsylvania, the *MacMillan Pipe Band*, from Rockville, MD, in the Hunting MacMillan Tartan. The band was formed in 2001 by alumni from the Rockville and the Robert E. Peary High Schools, and asked permission from Chief George to use our tartan to honour the memory of Donald Baxter MacMillan, the officer second-in-command of Robert Peary's arctic expedition. For more on the band please go to **[www.macmillanpb.org](http://www.macmillanpb.org)**

### SUBSCRIPTIONS IN US DOLLARS

As travellers to the UK will know Sterling has strengthened considerably in recent months, and since we pay for printing and postage in pounds we have had to consider raising our dollar subscription again from \$25 to \$30. The Trustees are hoping however that the exchange rates will reverse themselves in the course of the coming year, so there will be no rise for now; but you are asked to consider adding \$5 to your \$25 subscription on a voluntary basis.

### PLEASE INFORM US OF ANY CHANGE OF ADDRESS

If you move house please remember to inform the Clan Centre of your new postal address so you don't miss out on receiving future issues of the magazine. Our address is above, and our phone is (0)1475-540713.

### COLOUR COMING TO THE MAGAZINE?

Having discovered how we can save a substantial amount of money on overseas postage we're now in a position to consider introducing a little colour into the magazine without it adding much if anything more to the magazine's overall costs. This would be particularly appropriate in a clan magazine since so many of the events we chronicle are so colourful, and if we do decide to have an element of colour in the next issue we'll emphasise this with a special feature on the MacMillans' particularly colourful tartans. Colour might also allow us to attract some advertising - particularly from highland outfitters. Maybe you know of some, or of other companies, who might be prepared to advertise in the next issue - and perhaps you're even prepared to suggest this to them yourself on our behalf. A personal approach by someone they know, or who lives locally, is far more likely to be taken note of by a possible advertiser than a cold call or letter from an unknown organisation with no great subscription base to recommend it (we usually print and distribute between 250 & 300 copies - though they do go all round the world, and of course to people with a particular interest in all things Scottish). At present we'd be looking to charge perhaps UK £80 or US \$160 for a full page ad in colour (£40 or \$80 for a half page, and £20 or \$40 for a quarter page), and UK £60 or US \$120 for a full page in black and white (£30 or \$60 for a half page, and £15 or \$30 for a quarter page) - though please consult the CMIC Trustees through Chairman Chief George before giving any definite quotes. The alternative to advertising is sponsorship. We've been lucky enough to have individual clan members sponsor recent editions of the magazine at £500 per issue, and again that's something we'd ask you to consider if you can afford it (or if you know someone else who can and who might be interested).



## Hazel “The Hat” Huckvale 1913-2006

***One of the best loved figures in the clan died in August. Her local newspaper, the “Williams Lake Tribune”, published an appreciation from which we quote here:***

*Hazel Belle MacMillan Huckvale ... passed away on August 26, 2006, at the Williams Lake Seniors Village. She was born on July 24, 1913, at Brodie, Ontario, to Angus Neil MacMillan and Christine Campbell. She grew up on 'the farm' with her brother Lloyd (1909-1986) and sister Bessie (1907-1986). She graduated from Brodie Public School, Vanleek Hill High School, and Ottawa Teachers' College ... got a Masters in Education from UBC ... taught elementary school in Ontario and Quebec in the 1930s and married the charming Ray Smith. The marriage lasted only a few years.*

*During the Second World War, Hazel lived in Ottawa and joined the auxiliary forces. She met Jim Huckvale, while he was serving in the Canadian Armed Forces. They married in 1944 and moved to Lone Butte in the Cariboo where Jim acted as a wilderness guide and Hazel taught in a one-room school. Their son Neil was born in 1950. The family moved to Williams Lake in 1953. Hazel taught while Jim worked as a manager at West Fraser. Hazel completed her 45 year teaching career as principal of Glendale Elementary School.*

*She was an active member of the Liberal Party, Eastern Star, Legion, Clan Macmillan Society, the BC Teachers Federation and other community organizations. She was instrumental in helping the Sikh community in Williams Lake. She worked to improve her school, community, church and country. She had a keen sense of what she felt was right. She worked, cajoled, and argued tirelessly for her views. Upon retirement, Hazel served two terms on the Williams Lake Town Council and then as a Seniors' Counsellor. She was a moving force behind seniors housing, city parks, municipal buses and the preservation of local history. Her phone started ringing at 7:00am and did not stop until midnight. In spite of all this activity, Hazel always had time for family and friends - all things could be made better with a cup of tea, a long chat or a good argument.*

*After the death of her son Neil in 1981, Hazel took comfort from family and friends. She particularly doted on her granddaughter, Tara, who came to think of Williams Lake as home - spending every summer there from the age of five. Tara and her then partner, Curtis Seeger, were a great support to Hazel in the last years of her life. Hazel equally loved and supported her chosen grandchildren; Jenny and Alice Hutchings, Chantelle Graf, Janice, Glen and David Crook, and Julie & Linda Huckvale in Blackpool, England. Hazel will be mourned by her daughter-in-law Neera in Ottawa; granddaughter Tara in New Jersey; niece Christena in Vancouver, nephews Ernie (Brodie) and Richard (Ajax) as well as her extended family and many friends.*

### A personal tribute from Graeme Mackenzie:

I first encountered Hazel on paper in the Clan Centre and realised from her letters what a personality she must be; but nothing really prepared me for the force of nature which took me aside at our first meeting - at Father Mac's Chatauqua gathering in 1995 - sat me down, and told me what was what in the clan, and what needed doing about it!

Hazel had come then with her cousin and favourite travelling companion Elsie MacMillan - with whom she and Mary MacMillan Beaton had co-written the wonderful “Butternuts and Maple Syrup” about the history and families of their Glengarry County home, the “old 14th of Lancaster Township”. Sadly Elsie died not long after, but that didn't stop Hazel from attending every possible Clan MacMillan event she could - on both sides of the Atlantic - until well into her eighties. In later years when she travelled alone, preparations to meet her at the airport would involve the immortal instruction “look for the hat” - and I will remember her being piped by Robert Bell along the echoing corridors of Greensboro Airport in a wheelchair pushed by the chief himself, much to the astonishment of many passing North Carolinians.

Entering a restaurant with Hazel was always an experience, especially in North America. “What would you like to drink ma'am?”. “A cup of tea. And look here young man (or lady), be sure to bring me boiling water in a pot separate from the cup with the teabag in it. Do you understand?”. “Yes ma'am” the poor unfortunate waiter or waitress would reply (not of course understanding at all the importance of having the water boiling, or at least close to it, to make a good cup of tea). The row when the cup came with tepid water—often already added to the teabag—was a scene to behold, and never to forget.

There are many wonderful photos of Hazel which we could print to remember her by (and our thanks to Susan Drinkwater and others who've sent some of their favourites in). I took the one at the top of the page during the Canadian Maritimes gathering in 2001, and the one on the right was taken during George's 70th Birthday Bash at Finlaystone in the previous year (a photo that, in colour, highlights particularly well the plethora of tartans that can be seen at a Clan MacMillan Gathering) . It sums up I think the fact that Hazel, though fierce and argumentative when she needed to be, was also great fun. She'll be sorely missed by the whole clan.

***Photo: Hazel leads “Plaid Parade” with Kitty MacMillan, Audrey MacMillan, Jim MacMillan, John B. McMillan, Connall Bell, Chief George MacMillan, Nigel Macmillan.***





## MORE CLAN NEWS



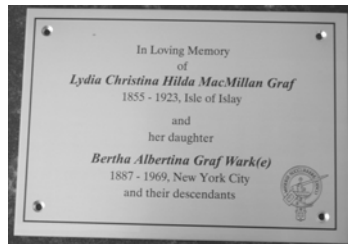
**Susan Bell (Greensboro, NC, USA), Secretary of the Appalachian Branch,** is shown in our photo laying a stone on the Memorial Cairn at Loch Norman, NC, in memory of Jane MacMillan during the Highland Games there in April this year, watched by her husband Robert, the Branch President. Susan had brought the stone back to North Carolina from the grounds of Glamis Castle in Scotland. The Appalachian Branch have had their usual busy year attending, amongst others, the following Highland Games in the second half of 2006: Charleston, SC; Flora MacDonald, NC; Radford, VA; Stone Mountain, GA; Waxhaw, NC; Richmond, VA.

### GLENURQUHART SOCIETY'S GIFT FOR JANE

**Hazel Murie writes:** At our final AGM as a separate society, before becoming part of Clan Macmillan in the UK, we agreed that as our memorial to dear Jane we would like to purchase something for the garden which she loved so much. This was discussed with George and it transpired that there was much work being done in the garden. We agreed that once it was decided what was needed and a suitable location identified our gift would be selected. We are delighted that our memorial gift will be located around the fountain in the garden at the Celtic Cross. The final choice of trees is still to be made but George tells me they will either be Judas trees or Liquid Amber. Perhaps in a future newsletter we will be able to show a picture of them. Naturally we hope that they will be enjoyed by all the visitors to the garden but that for any Macmillans and especially Glenurquhart Macmillans they will be of special significance as we remember, with much affection, a very dear lady and all the happy times shared with her.

**Alastair McMillan, Port Bannatyne, Scotland:** We regret to report the death of this loyal and remarkable clansman from the Isle of Bute who combined his profession of fisherman with a considerable skill as a poet - being fondly remembered by his fellow bard, the chief, for an amusing “Ode to a Herring” done in the style of Robert Burns’s famous tribute to the haggis. News of Alastair’s passing was conveyed to George by his daughter Marion McMillan (Scotston, Glasgow) who recently visited Murlagan where she tells us the Memorial cairn built during “The Great Return 2002” is in perfect condition. Marion very kindly sent us some pictures showing Loch Arkaiside in the most glorious autumn weather, one or two of which we hope to reproduce in colour in the next issue.

**Lilian De Giacomo (VT, USA),** who very kindly sponsored Issue No. 5 of the CMI Magazine, recently commissioned the plaque pictured here to go on the Memorial Wall at Finlaystone. It commemorates two of the ancestors she’s written about in her book of family memoirs mentioned on the CTS page by Abbot Blanche McMillan.



### The following have signed the Clan Centre Visitor’s Book this year:

**JAN:** Robert Bell, Greensboro, NC, USA. **FEB:** Gaston J. MacMillan, El Cenito, CA, USA; Jeanne McMillan, Umatilla, OR, USA. **APR:** Peter & Maureen Milliken, Banff, Scotland; Joan Walter, Winnipeg, Canada; Susan Pickard, Winnipeg, Canada; Tony Moffat, Aberdeen, Scotland; Judi Allan-Balavoine, Saffre, France; Carl and Pam McMillan, Lexington, SC, USA; Rachel McMillan Carter & family, Alexandria, VA, USA. **MAY:** Cheryl & Fritz Meyne, Jackson Beach, FL, USA; Justin Baxter, Oakland, CA, USA; Robert Fay & Lisa Stifler, Durham, NC, USA; Michael & Joanne MacMillan, West Lafayette, IN, USA. **JUN:** James & Eleanor Mullens, Virginia Beach, VA, USA; Ronald, Margaret, & Joseph McMillan, Oak Island, NC, USA; Randy, Martha, Jo Ann, & Michael McMillan-Guthrie, Goldsboro, NC, USA; Carol McMillan and Jean McMillan Bennett, Omak, WA, USA; Elizabeth McMillan & Maybank Hagood, Charleston, SC, USA. **JUL:** Andrew & Tricia MacMillan, Twickenham, England; David & Zuleykha McMillan, Wallsend, England; Kathren & Tim McCord, Macon, GA, USA; Gerry & Suzanne McCord, Pleasant, SC, USA; Bonnie-Jean, Mike, Jonathan, & Danielle Rowe, Framingham, MA, USA; Cheryl, Randy, & Ryan Miller, Chino Hills, CA, USA; Peter MacMillan, Atherton, England; Blanche & John B. McMillan, Burlington, ON, Canada; Hugo & Barbara Rankine, Orhuela Costa, Spain; Sheila Macmillan, Glasgow, Scotland; Gordon Macmillan, Eaglesham, Glasgow, Scotland; Nette & Nigel Macmillan, Clarkston, Glasgow, Scotland; Alex & Caitriona Macmillan, Blairlogie, Stirlingshire, Scotland; Janet & John Macmillan, East Kilbride, Scotland; Fiona Wilson, East Kilbride, Scotland; Jack Budge; Lorna McMillan, Paisley, Scotland; Alex & Joan McMillan, Lenzie, Glasgow, Scotland; David & Hazel Murie, Auchterhouse, Dundee, Scotland; Louise & Michael Brennan-Stewart, Wemyss Bay, Scotland; Margaret McMillan, Gourrock, Scotland; Elaine Reid, Bearsden, Glasgow, Scotland; Candice Baker, Atherton, England. **AUG:** Helen Norton, Henderson, Auckland, New Zealand. **SEP:** Alexander & Anne McMillan, Tarrawingee, Australia; Robbie & Doreen Baxter, Salisbury, Wilts, England; Shelby & Alexis Guilbert, Atlanta, GA, USA; Michael & Lorri MacMillan, Bay City, MI, USA; Mary Lou Huske, Fayetteville, NC, USA; Hannah Wilson, Charlotte, NC, USA; Michael Meldeau, Maitland, FL, USA; Mark & Brendan McMillan, Whenton, IL, USA; Reg Savage, Delta, BC, Canada; Bob & Bonnie McMillen, Berrian Springs, MI, USA; Grant, Christopher, & Jessica McMillan, Auckland, New Zealand; Ellen McMillan, Cornwall, England; Nancy Blanchard, High Point, NC, USA; Laurel Edwards, Cincinnati, OH, USA; Nancy LaMuraghi, Greensboro, NC, USA. **OCT:** Margaret Macmillan, Hurlford, Kilmarnock, Scotland.

## NEWS FROM THE CLAN AROUND THE WORLD



**GARY McMILLIAN (Austin, TX, USA)** - pictured left at the MacMillan Cross in Kilmory Knap with his wife Sherell, and children Brett and Becky, whilst visiting Scotland last year - is continuing to work with Mark McMillan, who also lives in the Austin area, to investigate the possibility of setting up a Clan MacMillan Society of Texas. With the news that Chief George may be the guest of the Appalachian Branch of the clan at the Greenville Games in South Carolina in June 2007 (a visit yet to be confirmed), Gary and Mark are looking at the chances of holding an event in the capital city of Texas the following week so George could join them to promote this potential new branch of the clan.

Anyone interested in following up this possibility can email them at [garymcmillian@swbell.net](mailto:garymcmillian@swbell.net) or [mmcmi@peoplepc.com](mailto:mmcmi@peoplepc.com)

**LIBBY McMILLAN, Past President of the Clan MacMillan Society of Australia,** revealed at the Society’s lunch in May that her work for the Australian Government has taken her in recent years to east Timor, Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands, and that her next job would be in Samoa. Hopefully she’ll put her experiences down on paper one day for the benefit of the clan, if not indeed for a wider readership.

**THE GLENGARRY AND OTTAWA VALLEY BRANCH OF CLAN MACMILLAN** held their Fall General Meeting on Saturday 21st October in St. Andrews Church Hall, Williamstown. The officers reported a very successful weekend at the Maxville Highland Games in August.

**PHILLIP C. McMILLAN (Salt Lake City, UT), one of the three American Trustees of the Clan Centre,** has recently returned to the USA after an extended year tour of duty with the Defence Department in Germany. He and the Clan MacMillan Society of Utah have announced a new email address: [clanmacmillan@msn.com](mailto:clanmacmillan@msn.com)

**MARGARET POOL (Auckland), the New Zealand Trustee of the Clan Centre,** spent a week in Wellington at the end of September, having been flown down to give lessons in Scottish Family History Research to a genealogy group. Whilst in the nation’s capital she met up with a number of local clanspeople, including Robert McMillan who was born in Scotland—on the island of Bute—and who now breeds Highland Cattle in New Zealand.

**MIKE McMILLEN (Minneapolis, MN, USA),** having compiled and made available to the rest of the clan - with financial assistance from the CTS - his CDs with tent display materials, is now compiling a guide for new clan branches about how best to set up clan tents. This will also be issued, in due course, on CD - but in the meantime Mike is asking all existing branches of the clan to send him their experiences and tips about tent displays so they can be shared with the rest of the clan.

So far he, in consultation with Chief George - who has probably been in more Clan MacMillan Tents around the world than anyone else - has come up with the following subject headings: Purpose, Preparation, Presentation Personnel/Info/Hospitality, Follow-up. Further suggestions, and examples of good (and indeed, bad) practice will be welcome, along with pictorial evidence where available, which should be sent to: [mike@mcmillen-design.com](mailto:mike@mcmillen-design.com)

**ANGUS MACMILLAN (Outer Hebrides, Scotland)** is the Chairman of *Sealladh na Beinne Moire* (“View of the Big Hill”) a group of 3,500 residents in the Outer Hebrides who are attempting to buy the South Uist Estate, which covers the islands of South Uist, Eriskay, and half of Benbecula. A recent grant of two million pounds from the “Big Lottery Fund” means that their bid - made under recent Scottish legislation designed to create community ownership of lands in the highlands which in the past suffered some of the most serious effects of “The Clearances” - is likely to succeed. There are still quite a lot of Macmillans living on these islands.

### THE VIRGINIA MCMULLANS - *CHLANN AN TAILLEAR* -

will hold their biennial reunion on the weekend of 19-20 May 2007 at McMullen, VA, with a banquet on the Saturday evening, and worship service followed by lunch in the fellowship hall of the South River Methodist Church on Sunday. For more details contact Emily McMullen Williams via: [atculp@erols.com](mailto:atculp@erols.com)

**THE NORTH CENTRAL STATES BRANCH** have appointed Robert McMillan from Buffalo, MO, as their Convener for the state of Missouri. He’s pictured on the right (in the hat) with friends and family whilst representing the clan at the Southwest Missouri Celtic Heritage Festival at Buffalo on the weekend of 7-8 September 2006.





## MacMillan Picnic & Games

by Pauline Simpson

On a sunny Sunday in July, sandwiched between a decidedly damp Saturday and a distinctly wet Monday, Clan MacMillan UK hosted a fun afternoon at Finlaystone.

The planning team for this event was George MacMillan, David Brown (CMI Trustee), Gordon Macmillan (former President of The Clan MacMillan Society of Scotland) and me. Since the linkage of the Scot's Society, and the pending linkage of the Glenurquhart Society, with CMI, our main aim was to get MacMillans in the UK together in order to socialise and have fun whilst promoting awareness of the Clan Centre.



*David Brown, CMI Trustee, wields the clipboard as master of ceremonies, official scorer, and referee of the garden games*



*Barbara MacMillan and Maria Brown—David's wife—tossing their sandbag over the bar*

Many of you reading this will have had experience of organising events, and I console myself that our experiences were similar to yours. Deciding the venue: in our case the lawn at Finlaystone for the Games and the Old Laundry for the picnic. Deciding the timing and the content: 2pm till 6pm (to allow for travel), yes; but, putting the shot - no, too damaging for the lawn. What about using a beetroot, since George had the ideal specimen in his kitchen? Perhaps not, since six weeks later it was far from ideal, with two weeks yet to go before the event.. The turnip? Yes the turnip! thrown at a target painted on an old carpet cut-off to save damage to the lawn. In pairs we would throw a sandbag over a fixed height as far as we could; and what Highland Games would be complete without tossing the caber. And we'd have teams just to make things more interesting.

Guests would bring their own picnic so our obligation in the catering department consisted of providing the “barbie”, the makings of tea & coffee and orange squash for sporting participants and spectators alike. Nae problem! (Well, I burned out the electric urn on a test run to see that it was working - quite clearly it wasn't - and almost forgot to serve the reviving fruit drink).

I sent out invitations well in advance and then a follow up two or three weeks later. Then it was a case of waiting for replies to come in. I'd received one expression of regret and one acceptance by the time I went on holiday for a week at the beginning of July, and I spent all week thinking no one would come and how best to split the committee into three teams. I couldn't have been more mistaken, because eventually the acceptances flooded in; and it was very pleasing to realise that the day was on course to being a success...if it didn't rain, that was.

George took great pains to provide the cabers, with a selection of three available on the day. The turnips were carefully chosen by me at the local supermarket, and the day before the games the carpet was marked out with scoring rings. We put up a couple of small gazebos to provide shelter from either sun or rain, and a similar construction at the side of the house to provide shelter for me as I welcomed our guests.

*Right: Broken tug-of-war rope dumps Arthur MacMillan on his own lawn, watched by David Murie (centre) and CMI Trustee Peter MacMillan (second from right)*



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*Alex MacMillan from Blairlogie (near Stirling) puts a turnip watched by wife Catriona (left) and team captain Toni Moffat*

When people arrived I allocated them randomly to one of three teams, even those who protested that they couldn't participate - after all how would they know who to cheer for? We coerced Gordon Macmillan, Toni Moffat (Glenurquhart Macmillan Society Treasurer), and Peter MacMillan (CMI Trustee) into being the team captains, and the Games began with David Brown acting as master of ceremonies, referee, and scorer. We warmed up with the turnip throw, followed by the sandbag toss. I hesitate to single out any one competitor's achievements, though Hugo MacMillan's caber tossing was exceptional - but then he had been practicing all week!

Activities on the lawn culminated in the tug of war. With the might of MacMillans on all teams it shouldn't have come as a surprise that the rope broke...but it did! No one was hurt, thank goodness.



*Hugo MacMillan ready for the fray*

We then retired to the Old Laundry and its environs for our picnic, and a quiz devised by David Brown to warm up the "grey cells" as our muscles were cooling down.

I will remember the day as a perfect blend of good weather, good friends and good fun!

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## ***Forty Seven Years Ago...***

In 1958 Sir Gordon MacMillan made his first trip across the Atlantic as clan chief - in the course of which visit the *Clan MacMillan Society of North America* was formally inaugurated at a great gathering in Hamilton, Ontario (which will be celebrated at the CMSNA's 50th anniversary gathering in California in July 2008). General MacMillan invited all clan members to a "World-Wide Rally" to be held at Finlaystone, Scotland, on Saturday 8th August 1959. As part of this first international gathering of the clan *The Clan MacMillan Society* hosted a ball at the Central Hotel in Glasgow to welcome their overseas cousins. The President of the Society at the time was Major Cameron Macmillan (1894-1982), and his son Nigel, who was there, will be writing about this historic event in the next edition of the magazine. In the meantime he's kindly supplied us with a photograph taken in the course of that memorable evening.



*From the left: Major Cameron Macmillan, Lady Macmillan, Edwin McMillan (President of the Clan MacMillan Society of North America), Mrs. Cameron Macmillan, Sir Gordon MacMillan, Mrs. Edwin McMillan.*

Edwin Mattison McMillan was descended from Rev. James McMillan who had settled in Pennsylvania in the second half of the 18th century. He had been a joint winner in 1951 of the Nobel Prize for Physics and was one of the moving spirits behind the formation of the Clan MacMillan Society of North America, of which he was elected the first President at the Hamilton gathering in 1958.



## Putting the Clan Motto Into Action



*The Chief's brother, Dr. Andrew MacMillan (pictured left), lives in Italy with his wife Roberta. He's recently retired from serving as Director for Field Operations in the Rome-based Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations. Along with family and friends Andrew and Roberta have been helping finance selected developments at primary schools in Africa on a voluntary basis over the past 5 years, and have now agreed to assume responsibility for international fund-raising for a particularly imaginative scheme. George MacMillan, who thinks it's a fine example of putting the clan motto into action, explains why it deserves as much support as possible—and how other MacMillans can help.*

Everybody, from the G8 down, is urging us to help Africa. But we also hear that too much of the aid given either finds its way into the pockets of officials or has undesirable side-effects: for instance, food aid ruins local farmers. So, just when we're screwing ourselves up to "help the unfortunate", we draw back for fear of making matters worse. If this predicament is yours, I think I may have just the project for you.

It's a modest, but potentially revolutionary, scheme, run by a small, dedicated group known personally to my youngest brother, Andrew, who is their European fund-raiser, and who assures me that accounts will be stringently audited and donations economically used - as the appeal's figures indicate: Where else could one build and equip a school for 600 pupils for about £150,000 (roughly \$290,000 US)?

In 2001 Andrew first met Mrs. Grace Ocheing Andiki, the Head Teacher of the Pala Primary School in East Yimbo Location, Kenya - a district ravaged by drought, where one third of the population has HIV/AIDS, where roughly 40% of the population are children, and of them about 30% are orphans, usually cared for by over-stretched grand-parents.



Grace figured that the key to the district's survival lay in giving pupils the knowledge and life skills that would help them to help themselves. For a start, she dug tanks to conserve water and created a vegetable garden to teach good husbandry and provide a healthy diet. Other schools in the area have followed her example. Now the fourteen primary schools of East and North Yimbo (responsible for 7,800 children, 2,300 of whom are orphans) have formed the **Got Matar Community Development Group**, chaired by Grace herself.

The orphans were, and are, their first concern. Even rudimentary schooling is beyond the pockets of most of their guardians - consequently they end up as short-lived parasites on society.

Their second concern is a 'brain drain'. Four hundred Primary pupils qualify for secondary education each year. The nearest Secondary school is about nine miles away and involves boarding, which is expensive; so few attend. Some of the better-off go further away, and tend not to return. The result is that, one way or another, the district loses its potential leaders.

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*Founded 1995 to support the Clan MacMillan International Centre (CMIC) at Finlaystone, Scotland, and to provide educational materials and events for Clan MacMillan and Sept members around the world.*

Hollaig Chridheil Agus Bliadhna Mhath Ur Dhuibha - Merry Christmas and a Good New Year to you all

### CTS GRANTS \$4,000 to CLAN MACMILLAN INTERNATIONAL CENTRE (CMIC) IN 2006

The \$4,000CDN is made up of two grants of \$2,000. Blanche McMillan, Abbot of CTS, has authorized the CTS Almoner, W. Dugal MacMillan, to send \$2,000CDN to CMIC on 6 December 2006 when a Guaranteed Investment Certificate matures. The other \$2,000CDN was actually granted to, and received by, CMIC December 2005, but not banked until 2006. These funds are from the 'Special Projects Fund' portion of gifts to "THE JANE (SPURGIN) MACMILLAN TRIBUTE FUND" (established on 15 June 2005) to be used for research, genealogy, displays and promotion of Clan MacMillan. They will be used as approved by Chief George G. MacMillan.

### REV. CANON A. MALCOLM MACMILLAN, FOUNDING ABBOT EMERITUS OF CTS of Bethlehem, PA

We talked with Father Mac's wife Pat and his daughter Liz Miller mid November 2006 and they said Mac has his good days and bad days, but is doing as well as can be expected. He is in a nursing home where he finished his memoirs (announced in my previous CTS page) of his very full life. We are grateful for Father Mac's vision in creating CTS. He is unable to talk on the phone or use a computer. Pat's email is: revmacmillan@rcn.com

### IN MEMORIAM: Hazel MacMillan Huckvale CTS, of Williams Lake, BC, Canada, died 26 Aug. 2006 at age 93

Hazel epitomized the Clan MacMillan Motto "Miseris Succerrere Disco" in her life, as a teacher, as an advocate for Seniors, and as an active member of many community organizations. She was involved in two CTS Investitures: In Dunkeld, Scotland, in 1996, she accepted honoris causa regalia by proxy for her cousin Elsie MacMillan of Cornwall, ON; and then she joined CTS herself in Williamstown, ON, during the Clan MacMillan Society of North America Gathering in 1997. Hazel was a dynamo and will be sorely missed by all who knew her.

### "Lydia's Legacy of Strength; How a girl from Islay influenced our lives" by Lillian De Giacomo CTS (VA, USA)

In August 2006 Lillian published the memoirs of her family for her children and grandchildren. It traces their history from 1874, when her grandmother Lydia came from Scotland to New York City with her husband - and a small amount of the uncommon Dress MacMillan Tartan - up to the death of Lillian's first husband in 1977. It is a book with lots of photos and a true to life story of three generations of very strong women, the hardships their families faced, and the strength and courage they had in going forth. I couldn't put it down, reading the high points, the disappointments, the details of life lived in the depression years and about the faith of these generations that sustained them despite facing almost impossible odds. Thanks, Lillian, for sharing these stories with us all. Lillian, who is 88 years young, can be reached at [Lilwyn17@aol.com](mailto:Lilwyn17@aol.com). She says the SECOND volume will be shorter, only encompassing the last 24 years of her life. We wait in anticipation!

TWO POSSIBLE CTS INVESTITURE SERVICES IN 2007: In the early summer in the USA, and in July in Scotland - during the time of the Mini-Gathering in Inverness. If you know of anyone who would like to join CTS, or someone who has joined but has not been invested, or if Branches and Societies would like to sponsor a CTS membership to honour one of their members, then please contact Abbot Blanche McMillan at the address below.

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FUNDRAISING: THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT. Since 2001 CTS has been the principal fundraising arm of CMIC. It has two funds which remain open:

- Rev. Canon A. Malcolm & Sally MacMillan Tribute Endowment Fund (established March 2003)
- Jane (Spurgin) MacMillan Tribute Fund (established 15 June 2005)

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*This CTS page was prepared by Blanche McMillan, Abbot of CTS, 15 November 2006*



# Project MAOL and the Glenurquhart Macmillans

## Graeme Mackenzie

It was my research into the Glenurquhart Macmillans - my grandmother's branch of the clan - that first brought me to Finlaystone, when I arranged in 1992 to deliver to the newly opened Clan Centre a copy of the trees I had drawn up of all the Macmillan families in "The Glen". I was met in what was then a fairly empty shell by George and Jane MacMillan who exercised their usual charm in such a way that I ended up moving to Finlaystone to put some life into the shell, and to extend my researches to the other branches of the clan. The intention to turn my material on the Glenurquhart Macmillans into a book rather fell by the wayside as I got plugged into the rest of the clan, with the result that the first book to emerge was about the origins and history of the whole clan - which was probably a good thing since it helped put the early history of the Glenurquhart Macmillans into context. My recent return however to live in Inverness, and the need to arrange a gathering here to help with the reorganisation of the clan in the UK, has taken me back to my work on the Glenurquhart Macmillans and the need finally to get it published.

The critical step has been to enter all the family trees I had drawn up in the early 1990s—plus subsequent additions and corrections—into the computer using the same format as Project MAOL. This will mean that after these family histories have been checked and brought up to date by contemporary members of these families they can be merged with the main Project MAOL database—which as it stands would add some 3,067 individuals (Glenurquhart Macmillans and their descendants) to the 13,259 individuals (all M'millans and their descendants) currently entered in the Project MAOL database. Glenurquhart Macmillans can find the data about their branch of the clan still as a separate database by going to [www.clanmacmillan.org/MAOL/Glen-Macmillans/Glen-Index.htm](http://www.clanmacmillan.org/MAOL/Glen-Macmillans/Glen-Index.htm) and are asked to check the information about their family there and to inform me of corrections and additions as soon as possible via [graeme@clanmacmillan.org](mailto:graeme@clanmacmillan.org). The intention is to print the corrected and updated genealogies as part of a book to be published, hopefully, in time for the July 2007 gathering - and then to merge the data about the Glenurquhart families into the main Project MAOL database at the time of publication.

The book, to be called "The Macmillans in Glenurquhart", will reprint my original articles about the Glenurquhart clan which were published in the Inverness Courier in 1990, along with the subsequent updates published in the Glenurquhart Macmillan Society Newsletter, and related articles which appeared in the Clan Centre Newsletters and Magazines—and finally an extended article bringing the story of the branch up to date (i.e. putting it into the context of what I and others have since discovered about Clan MacMillan history in general). I plan to add a map showing all the homes of the Macmillans in The Glen, and as many photos as possible of those homes and of the people that have lived in them since the late-19th century. Copies of additional photos of Glenurquhart Macmillans, especially of 19th and early 20th century ancestors, would therefore be most welcome. Hard copies of original photos—or originals to be scanned and returned—should be sent to me at **P.O.Box 5716, Inverness, IV1 9AT**, and electronic copies can be sent as BMP files on disk to the same address, or as JPEG files by email attachment to [graeme@clanmacmillan.org](mailto:graeme@clanmacmillan.org) (files attached to one email not to exceed 1MB please). Those descendants of Glenurquhart Macmillans who may want to purchase copies of the book when it is published are asked to register their interest with me so I can let them know the final date of publication and the price.

By coincidence two interesting pieces of information that partially relate to the Glenurquhart Macmillans have come to hand in my latest wider M'millan researches and correspondence.

The first concerns military Macmillans born in The Glen. I was recently commissioned by Edna Laughter (OR, USA) and Roy MacMillan (BC, Canada) to go The National Archives in London to research their ancestor James McMillan, who was a soldier in 42nd Foot (Black Watch) in the Napoleonic Wars - he was also, incidentally, the ancestor of H. R. MacMillan, the Canadian lumber magnate. Whilst there I was able to note details of additional M'millans in the Black Watch and other Highland regiments who fought in those wars - though sadly the muster-rolls for some units at this time are either incomplete or non-existent, including unfortunately the 79th (Cameron Highlanders) and the 100th/92nd (Gordon Highlanders, the regiment commanded at Quatre Bras by John Cameron, Younger of Fassifern). I found a number of Glenurquhart clansmen amongst the M'millans serving in the Black Watch, and in the 79th after 1809 when the surviving records for that regiment commence. I'll be doing a feature on all of these military M'millans in a future edition of the magazine, and in due course listing them on the website.

The second interesting development concerns M'millans recorded as "Camerons". The Glenurquhart clan contains some of the most striking examples of this phenomenon - including the family at the turn of the 18th/19th century who had their children baptised alternately as "Macmillan" and "Cameron" - and it would not therefore be a surprise to find a few "Camerons" with close or identical Y-DNA to that of Macmillans from The Glen or from Lochaber. Robert McMillan (AL, USA) has recently reported however that one "Cameron" has returned Y-DNA results showing a very close match to his own - and Robert's ancestors came from Kintyre. Indeed Robert's Y-DNA shows a very close match to that of Chief George MacMillan, which means that the "Cameron" in question shares male ancestors not with a Lochaber Macmillan chieftain (as one might expect) but with the chief of the Knapdale clan. Sadly the news that he may be a MacMillan has not apparently gone down too well with this "Cameron" who has so far declined to let us have his family history so we can try and find out how this has happened - which is a shame, since I have an idea this could provide the answer to the mysterious gap in the 18th century history of the Macmillans of Murlagan and Glenpean to which I referred in the June 2006 issue of the Magazine.

The Group is therefore appealing for £200,000 to be spread over four years: £50,000 to help 250 orphans to attend school at all, and £150,000 to build a 'no frills' secondary school at *Got Matar* ("Bare hill-top") next to an existing Primary school and a Health Centre, using free/cheap local labour and materials wherever possible. The Kenya Department of Education approves of the scheme and will supply and pay teachers; but, as all its resources are dedicated to up-grading the Primary provision, no funds are available for building. There will, however, be a small grant from the Ministry of Social Development.



### *Andrew MacMillan himself has sent us this report on progress to date:*

*A lot has been happening at Got Matar. Almost €90,000 of the 4-year target of €300,000 have already been pledged by family and friends. On the basis of these pledges, of which about half will be paid before the end of 2006, the Got Matar Community Development Group decided in October to begin construction with the aim of taking on board the first group of pupils in January 2007, the beginning of the next academic year. The walls are now going up fast for the first block of 4 classrooms with a total area of about 300 square metres (see the picture below left). The classrooms will be divided by folding partitions so that the block can also serve as an assembly hall. During the first year, one classroom will be used temporarily as the school office. By the beginning of January, a washroom/latrine block, a kitchen and a perimeter fence will also have been built. A water tank to collect roof-water will have been installed and photovoltaic panels will be built into the roof to meet the modest initial needs for power. Not bad for 3 months of work and a shoe-string budget!*

*A start has already been made in recruiting staff, with the aim of appointing a head master, director of studies, bursar and 6 teachers by the end of December. Initially staff will have to be paid from school fees, but the Ministry of Education is expected to register the school quite soon, after which it assumes responsibility for employing teaching staff.*

*Rather than set up a separate charity for Got Matar, agreements have been made with NGOS in Italy and the UK. In the United Kingdom, PEAS ("Promoting Equality in African Schools") will administer donated funds, and is also sharing its valuable practical experience in constructing and running secondary schools in neighbouring Uganda with the Got Matar Community Development Group.*

*The immediate need for funding is for bursaries to enable some 50 orphans to attend the school in the coming year, at a cost of about \$120 US each. The Group, however, is keen to push ahead with other priority elements of the construction programme, including another classroom block, during the January-March dry season.*

*All that has been done so far provides a reasonable assurance that any donations provided will be used diligently and to good effect. Even quite small amounts of money can make a huge difference to the livelihood prospects for children in one of Kenya's poorest districts.*



You can help put the clan motto into action by either making an immediate cash donation through PEAS, using the enclosed form, or pledging long-term support. A pledge form is included in the colour brochure available for download on the Got Matar website – [www.gotmatar.org](http://www.gotmatar.org) - or by post from the Clan Centre. You can also obtain the brochure, and get more details of the project by writing to:

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## INVERNESS 2007 - PROGRAMME

### A Small Gathering that can be A Big Event

The gathering has three main aims: To give clanspeople from around the world a chance to join in Highland 2007; to celebrate the history of the Glenurquhart Macmillans as we mark the reorganisation of the clan in Scotland; and to raise money for *Macmillan Cancer Relief*. By holding the gathering on the Inverness Highland Games weekend, when so much else is going on in the city, we can ensure there's plenty to do for participants without having to lay on too many purely MacMillan events; and by offering optional tours to see some of the most spectacular sights in the Highlands we hope to make it a gathering well worth coming a long way for.

Please note that places for the Banquet will be limited and tickets will be issued strictly on a first-come-first-served basis, while the tours will only go ahead if enough people sign-up sufficiently far in advance; it's important therefore that you book with us as soon as possible - using the enclosed form. Remember too that this will be a very busy weekend, so while the area does normally have a lot of tourist accommodation available, you'll also need to book it early - especially in town. *Gathering participants will be entirely responsible for making their own travel and accommodation arrangements—though Graeme Mackenzie will be happy to offer information and advice, especially to those coming from overseas. Contact him on (0)790-176-4329, or email [Graeme@clanmacmillan.org](mailto:Graeme@clanmacmillan.org)*

### Charting the way ahead for Clan MacMillan in the UK

In July 2006 the Picnic & Games at Finlaystone marked the union of *Clan MacMillan International* and *The Clan MacMillan Society of Scotland* (founded in 1892 as “The Clan MacMillan Society” - it being the only such body until the 1958 foundation of the *Clan MacMillan Society of North America*). This gathering will mark the final stage in the consolidation of the clan in the UK - a process sadly necessitated by the decline in membership of both of the hitherto independent Scottish societies - as the *The Glenurquhart Macmillan Society*, which was founded in 1991, is joined with what is now **Clan MacMillan International incorporating The Clan MacMillan Society (1892)**, a.k.a., “CMI”.

The object of this consolidation is to make best use of existing resources by allowing the Clan Centre to handle subscriptions and publications for UK MacMillans as we currently do for CMI's overseas members. At the same time the exclusively UK activities of CMI will take place under the name of **Clan MacMillan in the UK** - to be administered by a *Clan MacMillan UK Committee* consisting of the UK Trustees of the Clan Centre, along with representatives (“conveners”) of local MacMillans in those areas where the clan is active, and any others that George MacMillan as Chief and Chairman of the Committee sees fit to co-opt. It's hoped in years to come to have the AGM of *Clan MacMillan in the UK* moving between the areas in which the clan is active - so initially alternating between Finlaystone/Glasgow and Glenurquhart/Inverness, but hopefully from time to time to be held in conjunction with mini-gatherings similar to this in those other parts of the country particularly associated with Clan MacMillan.

### The Cancer Relief Clan Challenge

The Inverness gathering will also provide the first opportunity since the death from cancer of Jane MacMillan to raise money for *Macmillan Cancer Relief* - a cause with which our chief's late wife was particularly associated amongst her many charitable activities. In the course of the last major MacMillan gathering in Scotland, *The Great Return 2002*, the clan raised over £2,000 for MCR, and much of that came from the sponsored paddling of birch-bark canoes from the clan's homeland on Loch Arkaig down the River Lochy into Fort William - a venture that, as our photo shows, Jane took part in enthusiastically. So we're going to try this fun way of raising money again - this time paddling from the clan homeland on Loch Ness (Urquhart Bay) along the River Ness to Bught Park, Inverness, the site of the Highland Games. While the MacMillans cannot hope in this much smaller gathering to raise the same sort of amount as in 2002 we hope to come close to it by recruiting assistance from other clans associated, like the MacMillans, with the 18th century exploration of Canada in birch-bark canoes: e.g. the Mackenzies and the Frasers - and the former have, of course (!) already signed-up for it. The paddle will end up right beside the Maple Court Hotel where we'll all gather that evening to celebrate the event in the *Clan Challenge Banquet*.



*The GR2002 Paddle from Loch Arkaig to Fort William with Jane MacMillan in the middle of the front boat*

## INVERNESS 2007 - SCHEDULE

**Events in bold will definitely be taking place (not all related to Clan MacMillan however)**

Clan MacMillan events not in bold may be subject to enough clan members expressing prior interest

PAYG = “Pay As You Go” - i.e. *you makes your choice and pays your money there and then*

### Days prior to July 19 (or after July 23):

Graeme Mackenzie will be in Inverness to meet overseas clanspeople attending the gathering and, subject to prior commitments, he'll be available if they wish to hire cars to visit clan or other sites in the Highlands to act as guide (but not driver). Anyone coming to Scotland for the gathering who wishes to visit the chief's home Finlaystone and the Clan Centre either before or after the Inverness events should contact Pauline Simpson on (0)1475-540713 or email: **ClanCentre@clanmacmillan.org**

### Thursday July 19:

**AM: “Jacobite Queen” Boat Trip from Inverness to Urquhart Castle (Public Service - PAYG)**

PM: If sufficient people have expressed a firm prior interest in it, the castle visit can be followed by a private bus tour, going from the castle through Glen Urquhart, Strathglass, and Beauly, and finishing by taking people straight to Kirkhill for the ceilidh (and returning them to Inverness after that). Otherwise people will have the choice of returning to Inverness in the afternoon on the “Jacobite Queen” after touring the castle, or of taking a public bus into Drumnadrochit - the main village in Glenurquhart - and there visiting one of the Loch Ness Monster exhibitions, before taking the public bus back into Inverness (services are quite frequent - maps and timetables will be provided).

**EVE: Ceilidh at Old North Inn, Kirkhill - a village west of Inverness where many Macmillan families from Glenurquhart live (Food & drink PAYG, entertainment provided - partly by you!).**

If there is no tour bus from earlier in the day, a bus may be provided to and from Kirkhill, otherwise transport from and back to Inverness will be by group-booked taxis or a convoy of private cars.

### Friday July 20:

**DAYTIME: The Cancer Relief Clan Challenge: A Clan MacMillan Team take on a team from the MacKenzies - and hopefully the Frasers, or other clan(s) - in paddling a sponsored birch-bark canoe from Urquhart Bay, Loch Ness, to the River Ness by Bught Park, the site of the Highland Games. Sponsored walking or biking on the Great Glen Way (Fort William to Inverness, via Glenurquhart) could also take place if volunteers come forward – contact Graeme ASAP.**

*For the paddling seven people are required at any one time to crew the canoe, but if sufficient volunteers come forward crews can be changed once, twice, or three times in the course of the day. No prior knowledge or skills required - a trained guide from “Adventure Scotland” will lead each boat. A picnic lunch will be laid on for the crews by clan members not taking part in the paddling.*

**EVENING: The Clan Challenge Banquet at the Maple Court Hotel by Bught Park in Inverness.**

**Tickets, as part of Gathering Booking Fee, to be bought by 1 July (though may sell out before)**

### Saturday July 21:

**DAYTIME: INVERNESS HIGHLAND GAMES at Bught Park (PAYG at the gate):**

**1100: Games open - “Village of the Clans” in the Big Tent**

**1300: Lunch (PAYG) & AGM of Clan MacMillan in the UK in Maple Court Hotel by Bught Park**

**1415: “March of the Highlanders” (of all clans) from City Centre to the Games at Bught Park**

**1630: “Village of the Clans” closes**

**EVE: Scottish Traditional Music Concert in the Big Tent (Public Event - Tickets from Games)**

There will be no Clan MacMillan event as such on Saturday evening so people will be free to attend concert or other events associated with the Inverness Festival & Fringe (book and pay independently).

### Sunday July 22:

**DAYTIME: INVERNESS HIGHLAND GAMES at Bught Park (PAYG at the gate).**

N.B. There is no “Village of the Clans” on Sunday as the Big Tent is used for an Antiques Fair. Clan MacMillan might, if allowed, pitch its own tent so as to have a presence at the Games; or, if enough people are interested, a tour either to Culloden, Brodie Castle, and Fort George, or to one of the west coast destinations listed on the back of the booking form may be laid on (depending on any CTS event)

**EVENING: Events associated with Inverness Festival & Fringe (book and pay independently).**

OR: Possible CTS service if sufficient Companions are in Inverness—followed perhaps by a supper.

*Those interested in a CTS service should contact Abbot Blanche McMillan via [jbmcmillan@sympatico.ca](mailto:jbmcmillan@sympatico.ca)*

### Monday July 23:

**DAYTIME:** No Clan MacMillan events as such are planned, but if the demand is there one of the west coast tours listed on the back of the booking form will be arranged.

**EVENING: Inverness Tattoo and Festival & Fringe attractions (book and pay independently).**

*For updates on the Mini-Gathering see [www.clanmacmillan.org/Inverness2007.htm](http://www.clanmacmillan.org/Inverness2007.htm)*

For travel info and accommodation booking see Tourist Board website: **[www.visithighlands.com](http://www.visithighlands.com)**