



CLAN MACLAREN SOCIETY

ANNUAL NEWSLETTER 2025



Restoration works on the Old Kirk, Balquhidder 2025

Kinsmen,

The Lochearnhead Games last year were emotional and difficult but also uplifting and definitely a success. As we entered the grounds, the band stopped playing and slow marched us onto the field as a mark of respect for our late Chief. We also had a great showing from our German friends throughout the weekend with their bonhomie and great piping in the evening. If they hadn't already before, they have now truly earned the name 'Friends of Clan MacLaren'. It was also our first year holding the Games Dinner and Clan AGM at the Balquhider Village Hall which turned out to be a great venue and much fun. We will be continuing this tradition this year as well and hope to see a few of you there. We are currently printing Hugh MacLaren's History of the Clan Society and this will be available to purchase at the Games. It is an interesting and scholarly book and well worth the read. The foreword was written by my late father and the postscript by my sister, Iona, who were both working on it right up until our father's death.

The restoration of the east walls of the Old Kirk and bell tower is finally beginning. A special mention must go to Hugh Crawford who has spent over twelve years wrangling and haranguing surveyors, contractors and Historic Environment Scotland to get to this point and so a huge thank you, Hugh.

I also wanted to thank the composer Nigel Gatherer for the moving lament he wrote for my father as the outgoing Chief and the welcome composition for me as the incoming Chief, which were both excellently played by Catherine Crawford at our Annual Lunch last year. I lastly wanted to thank Malcolm, Neil, Bridget, James, Sheena and all of the Society and Council members who have advised and supported me in this transition over the last couple of years.

I feel honoured to have been asked to Grandfather Mountain Games as their Chieftain of the Games this year, accompanied by my mother, Maida MacLaren of MacLaren, who will be a redoubtably joyful presence for those who met and hosted both my parents during my father's Chiefship. I am really looking forward to meeting many of our American cousins for the first time and renewing friendships with clansmen I've known before.

Creag an Tuirc

Florian



Message from the Editor

Dear All,

I am truly honoured to take over the position of Editor of the Clan MacLaren annual newsletter. As the younger daughter of our late Chief, Donald MacLaren of MacLaren, and the sister of our future Chief, Florian, I hope to make my contribution to the clan through the written word.

Let me express my sincere thanks and appreciation to Neil McLaurin for being editor during the interim year, and for his continued contributions in the form of articles of interest to the wider clan. I would also like to offer special gratitude, on behalf of the whole Clan, to Bridget Stevens for her many years as Editor, to which she devoted a lot of time and effort which saw fantastic results. I would also like to add a special congratulations to Bridget on being awarded an MBE in the King's Birthday Honours List 2025 for Services to the Arts. A huge honour and incredibly well-deserved!

The Clan MacLaren annual newsletter is so important in connecting MacLarens all over the world by celebrating the achievements of our clan members, providing results from the AGM, notifying all of upcoming events and generally disseminating important information.

I will aim to publish this newsletter at the beginning of April each forthcoming year and I welcome (and would very much appreciate) being reached out to from the readers of each issue with suggestions and/or contributions for the next year's newsletter.

Marina MacLaren of MacLaren

General Articles of Interest

Search for Family Bible

In 2019, the Clan MacLaren Society published a request by Mr David McLaren of Braintree, Essex to help find his family's bible which went missing in the 1990s. We have heard back from him and wish to republish the details which, hopefully, will lead to some success in his search! The details, provided by David, are as follow:

[The bible] was supposed to have been passed on to my father Kenneth McLaren on the passing of his great aunty Glady MacLaren who was the most senior person of our family and so looked after the bible. She never married and lived in Inverness and told my father that the family details he was asking for were listed in the bible and he can clarify the details he had requested her for when he received the bible. The bible was never found after she passed and we believe one of the last entries to the bible would have been my Great Grandfather Thomas MacLaren (1845-1922) who was a signalling Inspector on the railways, also was once the Royal Train Guard. He was married twice and had eleven children that lived, one of which was my grandfather Colin McLaren (1890-1973).

Glady was his niece but I cannot at this time give you any more details about who her father was from my grandfather's brothers and sisters.

If any of our members have any information that they think may be helpful to David and his family's search for the bible, please reach out to me and I can put you in touch with him directly.

Malcolm MacLaurin 1765 – 1834

Factor of Tyree and Doctor in Oban

Neil McLaurin

The pages of my book *Creag an Tuirc* are populated by many interesting MacLarens and MacLaurins. One of the more interesting members of the clan who lived in Argyll was Malcolm MacLaurin, son of Neil McLaurin tacksman and drover from Ardchattan on the northern shores of Loch Etive. Young Malcolm had two brothers and four sisters and he was the eldest child. He would have grown up on one his father's tacks at Ardchattan or at Appin. He must have had an enquiring mind as in 1782/1783 the young Malcolm attended medical school at Edinburgh University. For some reason he did not finish his studies as at that time a full medical degree required three years of study. Malcolm nevertheless acquired enough medical knowledge to later practice as a doctor in Oban. Letters written by Malcolm from this time show he had a fluent command of English and a first class brain.

When I was writing my book I could not find enough evidence to link Dr Malcolm MacLaurin (described on page 470) with Malcolm McLaurin (described on page 474) who was factor of Tyree for the Duke of Argyll on the island of Tyree from 1801 to 1811/12. I am indebted to Dr Donald Meek for putting me straight on this point. Dr Meek has extensively researched Malcolm MacLaurin and is writing a book about him and is correcting some of the erroneous published views about him.

In my book I said Doctor Malcolm MacLaurin did not marry but in fact he married three times. From his first marriage with Janet Morrison there was a daughter Henrietta born in 1812. His second wife was Mary McLean and there was another daughter Catherine born in 1814. His third wife was Mary Livingstone and they had a son with the grandiose name of Horatio Nelson who was born in 1818. Horatio served in the Indian navy and when he was 46 years old married Ann McCallum in Perth. It is believed that there were no children from this marriage.

The Oban Times reported that Malcolm McLaurin died in Oban from a heart attack in 1834. At the time he was living with his unmarried sisters Ann, Catherine and Euphemia. Why he separated from his third wife Mary is not known as she died in Duror in 1853 and outlived her husband. Malcom was buried in Ardchattan priory alongside the grave of his brother Captain Neil McLaurin of His Majesty's 86th Regiment of Foot who died in 1810 aged 28.

In *Creag an Tuirc* I report on the visit of his relation Neil McLaurin from Wilmington in the USA to Oban where he met Malcolm. I quote the date 1838 derived from the American sources but this is obviously incorrect, nevertheless the visit probably did take place.

Stephen Quillin Awarded 2025 National Tartan Day Award

A huge congratulations to Stephen Quillin, a long-standing and very active CMSNA member, for being selected as the recipient of the 2025 National Tartan Day Award.

This prestigious award is the highest honour given for outstanding leadership in the Scottish-American community and we are very proud that Stephen has been recognised and is receiving this highly-deserved award.

Upon notification of this award, Stephen had the following to say: *“Frankly, I am absolutely stunned to be honoured in this way. Tartan Day is a big deal in the US, and to be recognized in such a way is beyond special. I am humbled and grateful to say the least. I also firmly believe that credit for my choice as the recipient should include recognition of the many folks involved with the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games. We at Grandfather strive each year to be a premier event worldwide, and despite the several challenges of the past four years, I think we have remained in a leadership role. I can’t say how much I appreciate all involved with the Games.”*

For the first time, the National Tartan Day Award will be presented at the 2025 Grandfather Mountain Highland Games, on July 12, by Florian MacLaren of MacLaren.



First Ever Immortal Memory, delivered by William McLaren

Huge gratitude to Hugh Crawford for sending through a transcript of the first ever recorded Immortal Memory, delivered by William McLaren, President of the Paisley Burns Club, on the 29th of January, 1805.

THE FIRST IMMORTAL MEMORY

The first documented Immortal Memory Toast in the world, delivered by William McLaren, President of the Paisley Burns Club at the Anniversary Supper in the Star Inn on the 29th January 1805.

Gentlemen,

It is with infinite pleasure that I see, at this moment, so many men of taste, so many fond and enthusiastic lovers of Scottish song, met on this evening to celebrate the birth of our immortal bard. Let those whom fortune has placed in a more elevated situation in life, basking in the sunshine of prosperity, bind the fading laurel round the brow of the hero, who returns to his native land, rich with the spoils of a ravaged country, and clotted with the blood of an innocent people; be it ours to give the night to festivity and joy, on which nature, partial to cold Scotia, gave her a Burns, a name which will remain the proudest boast of our country, a name which will excite the veneration of an admiring world till the springs of Nature decay, and time itself will be no more.

Born in an obscure situation in life, and nursed in the lap of poverty, he knew not those advantages for which we are, probably, indebted for the most finished productions of our language, but guided by the warm impulses of nature, he sung what he felt, and his songs will be admired forever.

When the entreaties of friends and cruelties of fortunes (alas! too often the melancholy attendant of genius) first bade our bard submit his juvenile productions to the eye of an admiring world, his discerning countrymen saw with delight, not the weak effort of presumptuous pedantry, struggling into notice, but the glorious dawns of a transcendent genius - a genius not to be weakened by time, nor depressed by misfortune - a genius who would, like the radiant lamp of heaven, move onward with increasing beauty, till gaining his meridian splendour when every surrounding object would be obscured in the lustre of his superior blaze.

The dark clouds of adversity which had long overshadowed our bard, now began to vanish, happily for himself, but more happily for his country, as the angry frowns of a cruel world had determined him to seek a milder fortune in one of those hospitable isles which Nature had scattered on the bosom of the Atlantic Ocean.

Transported from the bosom of honest austerity to the more refined circle of opulence and power, his many and respectable friends indulged the hope of seeing him placed in a situation, where, undisturbed by the cares of the world, he might pursue those studies for which nature had so admirably fitted him to excel. But, gentlemen, shall I mention it? Those minions of power, those favourites of fortune, suffered one of the brightest geniuses that ever adorned a country, to drudge through life a common exciseman! Ye generous patrons of exalted merit, when your vainglorious names shall be forgot, when your proud monuments shall lie prostrate in the dust, the name of our neglected bard shall flourish with unabated lustre. The tyranny of kings, the oppression of rulers, or the corruption of the people, may, at some future period, disturb the tranquillity of the world; arts, commerce, manufactures and even a love for song itself may sink in the vortex of destructive ruin, but when the gleam of discord shall have vanished, and returning felicity again illumine the brows of my countrymen, then shall the songs of our bard awaken the echoes of the morning. The musty walls of humble poverty, and the splendid palace of affluence and grandeur, shall alike resound his praise. But as the most general approbation is always clouded by some discordant voice, as our bard, by accustoming his imagination to an unrestrained indulgence, has not failed to waken the poisonous tongue of angry calumny, which has blazoned him to the world as an enemy to virtue. Gentlemen, I would consider it an insult offered to discernment of this respectable company were I to labour a refutation of an assertion which almost every page of the writings of this admirable poet is calculated to deny; quotations might be given, but 'twere an endless task and as well might unfettered enthusiasm endeavour to arrest the progress of nature; as point out the many beautiful, virtuous expressions that adorn the writings of our inimitable Burns.

Hail happy Caledonia! Though no clustering grapes hang pendant from thy barren mountains, though no spicy forests adorn thy fertile valleys, yet thou hast a richer and prouder boast; a bard, formed in the prodigality of nature, with an imagination fertile as the sunbeams.

While the pride of ancient times boasts of a Homer and a Virgil, while England bids the world admire a Milton and a Pope, where is the Scotchman that would not proudly proclaim the name of an Ossian and a Burns. Ossian, the transcendent lustre of thy genius has already bade defiance to the ravages of many ages, for pleasant are thy songs, as the dawn of morn to the benighted wanderer, when the flaky snow descends and all the world is silent and dark and shall thy glorious name, immortal Thomson, be forgot when we swell the strain of panegyric to our country's bards? No! While the sun's re-animating heat calls forth the spiky blasts from the bosom of the pregnant spring; while ardent summer displays her blossoming flow'rets to the golden day; while yellow autumn waves rich with the produce of a luxuriant year; or the howling blast of angry winter raves with threat'ning fury o'er cold Scotia's hill, thy fame shall last, and the guardian genius of thy native isle proudly own thee as her son!

Roll on, ye winged times, and, in your proud career, smile at the ruin of the great; and the fall of the mighty; weak the efforts of thy tyrannic arm to erase from the memory of a grateful people the virtues of those men who have raised our country to a proud pre-eminence amongst the nations of the world. For me, departed bards, when my heart ceases to thrill with rapture to the melodies of your songs, may the haggard hand of misery wring my flinty bosom; may the soft tears of sympathy never wet my sallow cheeks, but may I sneak through life, scorned by the world and hated by myself.

Gentlemen, I feel this the proudest moment of my life, in having it in my power, by your choice, to toast in so respectable a company The Memory of Our Immortal Bard, Robert Burns.

The toast was drunk with enthusiasm, after which an Ode entitled; "The Birth of Burns" written for the occasion by Robert Tannahill was read to the company.

At the end of the evening it was resolved to meet annually on the same occasion and fifteen gentlemen were appointed to conduct the business for the ensuing year.

1805 The Founder Members

William McLaren	James Tannahill	William Anderson	William Wylie (1)	Charles Marshall
William Wylie (2)	Patrick McLerey	James Scadlock		
Robert Morgan	William Gemmil	Robert Lang	John King	
Robert A. Smith	Robert Tannahill	William Stewart		

The Clan MacLaren Genealogy Database

Art Lowe

The Clan MacLaren database, accessible to members of CMS through the [dedicated website](#), surpassed a milestone late last year with records on over 100,000 individuals. (Note: Compliance with privacy laws requires that members submit a request for login credentials to the Membership Secretary at membership.secretary@clanmaclarensociety.com.) The goal is to compile information that enables descendants of Clan families to find their connections to the Clan as well as to relatives near and far. The long path was started by Banks McLaurin, Jr. and the genealogy-based Clan McLaren Society, U.S.A. he formed in 1969. Our database grew through the subsequent research of Clan genealogists along with submissions from members of The Clan MacLaren Society and Clan MacLaren Society of North America.

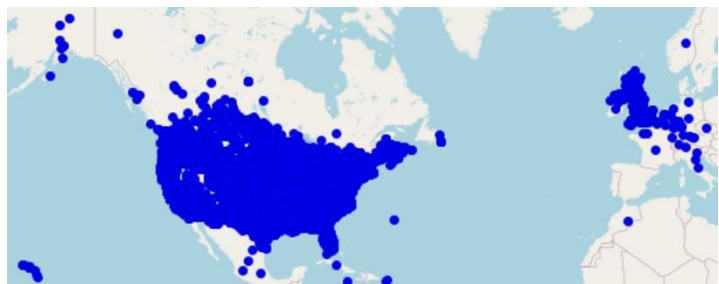
Banks McLaurin started assigning family-line codes to ease distinguishing people with matching names and coordinate research with his cousins. Every individual born into one of the thirty-one families published in his newsletters carried a unique code. The progenitor of each line carried the base code (one or two capital letters); each child was assigned, in birth order, a lowercase letter. (Exceptions to birth-order assignments were frequent due to difficulties identifying offspring and defining birth order in early records.) The system remains in place today with family codes (labelled “BM-JHM” to honor the work of Banks and his cousin, James Hudson McLaurin), excepting the original 31, consisting of three letters. Individuals may carry multiple codes. There are

currently 286 BM-JHM codes. The table above displays counts of families with spelling variations combined into groups. Over 73% of the people in the database carry at least one code.

<u>Group</u>	<u>Count</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Count</u>
Lair	1	MacCrory	2
Law	10	MacLaren	137
Lawrence	6	McFetters	1
Lawson	10	McPhatter	1
Low	15	Patrick	2
Lowry	19	Patterson	77
MacClaury	1	Wright	3

Largest in the database is currently the “U” family (descendants of Mathew McClearn born 1712 in Londonderry, Ireland) with 14,475 individuals followed by “LAM” (descendants of William “A Scottish Rebel” Lawson born 1733 in Montrose, Scotland) with 12,531 individuals, “BAK” (descendants of James Lowry born about 1727, died 1830 in Franklin County, Georgia) with 9,739 individuals, then “ABU” (descendants of James Lowery born about 1713 in the Virginia colony) with 6,042 individuals. The “LAM” family may move up the list as another 15 branches remain to be added.

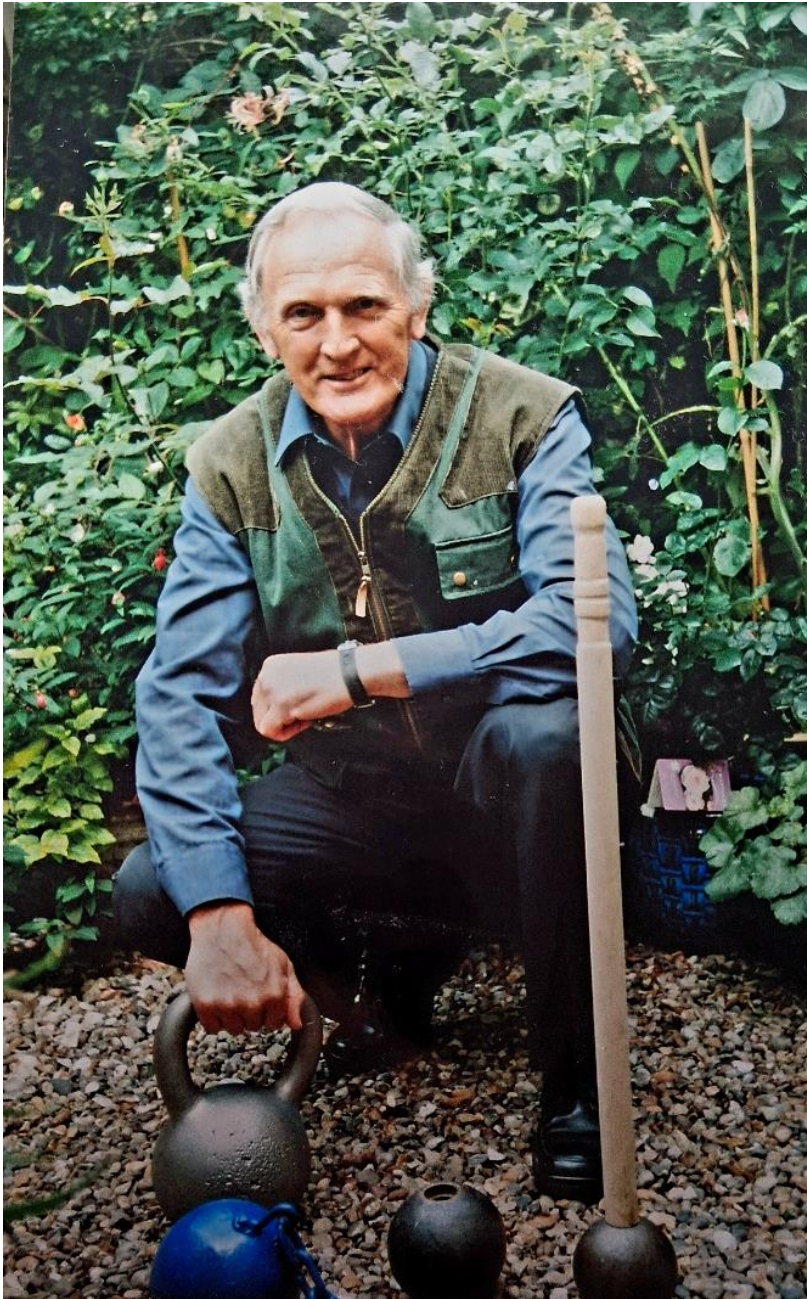
Including individuals and events worldwide, the database is biased toward North America due to both the manner in which it was compiled and the fact that more people with Scottish ancestors live in North America than in Scotland. The impact is exaggerated when plotting locations on a map due to the relative sizes of the countries. Early next year, the focus of new research will shift toward compiling family lines from available Scottish records.



Mike Lawson's 60 Second Challenge

Mike Lawson

Photograph of Mike Lawson, now 85 years old, who has lifted the 200 kilo Clan MacLaren Stone of Strength on several occasions. Mike is offering a £100 prize to the person who can lift and hold the Stone for the longest time over 1 minute at the forthcoming 2025 Lochearnhead Highland Games. Wishing all members a very happy, healthy Games day. Stay strong!



Articles on Trusts Administered by the Clan

MACLAREN (BALQUHIDDER) EDUCATIONAL TRUST

The accounts were examined last year and the fund is in good health, currently standing at approximately £5,725.

A R & K M MacLaren Trust

The Trust was set up in 1991 thanks to the generosity of Alan Robert MacLaren who passed away in 1972.

The Trust provides charitable assistance to Members of the Clan Society in needy circumstances, supports educational projects associated with the Society and can provide financial assistance in respect of the Old Kirk at Balquhider and appropriate projects.

EDUCATIONAL BURSARIES

There are currently three active Educational Bursaries :

The bursaries were awarded to three under graduate students on the following university courses.

Student in fourth year of a five year degree course , Medicine MBChB at Aberdeen University.

Student in third year of a four year degree course, BEng Hons at Strathclyde University.

Student in second year of a four year degree course in Marine and Freshwater Biology at Glasgow University

The current Bursary Award is £500 for the first year of the course and £250 for subsequent years.

It is important to highlight that the Trustees are always interested in hearing from applicants meeting the Trust criteria.

PROJECT SUPPORT

Over the years Financial support has been provided to the McLaren High School for appropriate projects.

Financial support has also been provided for the repair and maintenance work at The Old Kirk in Balquhider, The Proposed Graveyard Memorial and Planning the Proposed MacLaren Room.

TRUST FINANCIALS

The Trust Finances remain in a sound position with investment managed by Rathbones.



CLAN MACLAREN SOCIETY

COUNCIL MEETING

19 May 2025

To Members of the Council

The minutes of the Council meeting held at 10 Ettrick Road, Edinburgh on Saturday 17 May, 2025:

1. Apologies. The following council members were unable to attend: George Borthwick, Revd. William MacLaren, Hugh and Catherine Crawford, Neil MacLaurin, and Michael Lawson.
 - a. It was noted that the council membership and roles require review – LM
 - b. It was agreed that an email distribution list and WhatsApp group should be created to improve communications – LM
 - c. It was agreed that the council should send best wishes to Neil and Hugh - MM
2. Minutes of the last meeting held on 30 November 2024.
 - a. It was agreed that FM should lead the organisation of the clan dinner on the 26 July following the Games, and supported by MM. Dates need confirmation; Costs should be £45 per head (£35 without wine); payment to be made in advance (fixed at 1 week).
 - b. It was noted that the update to the MacLaren page on the Standing Council website will be completed before the Games – FM
 - c. Zoom call to be held with CMSNA and CMSA by the end of May, in order to clarify the matriculation of arms – FM
3. Membership Secretary's Report
 - a. SM continues to have success at rationalising the membership numbers by sending letters to known addresses.
 - b. It was noted that there are a number of ways to increase interest in the society and improve membership. These include Google Ad words, local news outlets, Chiefs WhatsApp group, the Scottish Banner, Facebook etc... SM (supported by FM, AA, LM)
4. Treasurer's Report (JM) – detail in separate report.
5. Trading report (SM)
 - a. SM requests proposals for items to be sold including: Booklet, hats, coasters, car stickers
 - b. Clan MacLaren history requires forward from IM and it was proposed that 'Prontaprint' be used.
 - c. It was proposed that 'The MacLarens' be reprinted.
6. Social Secretary's Report and planning December lunch (MaM)
 - a. Request for speakers suggestions including: Bill McLaren's family, McLaren automotive company.
 - b. Further action for JM and MaM to rationalise income and costs from the clan dinner and AGM lunch
7. Newsletter (MaM)
 - a. Text and photos to be sent to MaM
 - b. Confirm copyright of photos
 - c. Update backpage
 - d. Email members and publish hard copies
 - e. Include games timings and events
8. Old Kirk (HC)
 - a. Bench and graves – no further action
 - b. It was agreed to add railings

- c. It was agreed to place memorials pillars
 - d. Response from the chairman to Historic Scotland – emphasise precedent and that the graveyard is an active site
9. Balquhiddar MacLaren Centre (HC).
- a. Option to use Donald's Study at Kirkton due to difficulty and cost of establishing and staffing a newly built facility.
 - b. The council must be charged peppercorn rent for use of the car park at the Kirk.
10. Preparations for the Games (FM)
- a. Tent to be booked and deposit paid
 - b. Caterers to be booked
 - c. Piper to be booked
 - d. Stones moved to field
11. AR & KM MacLaren Trust (GB//FM)
- a. See below for points for both trusts.
12. MacLaren (Balquhiddar) Educational Trust (JM)
- a. Clarify boundaries of what trusts can contribute to.
 - b. Clarify trustees for both trusts
 - c. Approach potential recipients of support e.g. McLaren High School, Strathyre primary, publicise in newsletter
13. Council office bearers e.g. newsletter editor (FM)
- a. Confirm current council and codify roles
 - b. It was suggested that council positions be held for 3 years
 - c. It was agreed that new members (Alexander Aitchison and Marina MacLaren) be confirmed at the AGM
14. AOB - none
15. Date and venue of next meeting are 26 July at the Games Dinner in the form of the AGM

Membership Secretary's Report

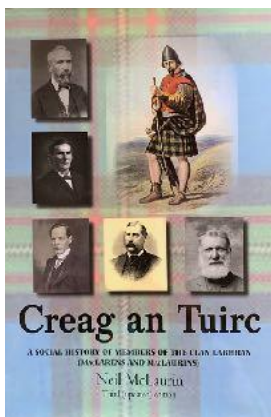
Total membership is 668 with 590 Life members and 78 Annual members. This includes 2 new members since April, but the total is offset by those members who have passed away, moved and not given new contact details or not renewed their annual membership.

Trading Report

SM has selection of Clan gifts - MacLaren tartan shawl (£75), pens (£2), notebooks (£5), Leather bookmarks (£2), a few car stickers (£1), T Shirts (£10), cotton shopping bags (£5) and MacLaren tartan Coasters (5) - for sale at the Games.

Sheena Maclaren

Membership Secretary



Creag an Tuirc

By Neil McLaurin

Neil McLaurin's 758-page reference book is a good resource for anyone interested in their MacLaren/ McLaurin family history.

It can be ordered directly from Neil, whose email is azurite@tiscali.co.uk.

Price £25 plus postage.

Booking Form for Games Dinner

Clan MacLaren Society **Games Dinner**

Saturday 26th July 2025 at 7.00pm for 7.30pm

**To be held at the Balquhiddier Village Hall,
Kirkton, Lochearnhead, FK19 8PA**

Join other members and guests of the Clan MacLaren Society for dinner after the Lochearnhead Highland Games. The Society AGM will be held before the dinner, starting at 6pm.

Information about the games can be found here:

<http://lochearnheadhighlandgames.co.uk>

DIRECTIONS

The Balquhiddier Village Hall is located on the road that passes through the village, beside the new cemetery and Loch Voil. More information can be found on the Hall's website.

<https://www.balquhiddierhall.info/>

COST/ MENU

The cost of the games dinner is £52.00 per person for three courses including wine (2+ glasses of wine, 1 dram of whiskey)/ £45.00 without wine, and includes tea/coffee at the end of the meal. Please select in advance from the main course menu options on the second page of this booking form.

Dress: Informal

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APPLICATION FORM

To: Mr Malcolm MacLaren, 1 Inverleith Place, Edinburgh, EH3 5QE

Tel: 0131 551 1863/ 07970982469 Email: social.secretary@clanmaclarensociety.com

Please confirm the following:

I have used the PayPal link on the CMS website to pay – visit <https://www.clanmaclarensociety.com> for more information.

NAME (CAPS PLEASE):

ADDRESS (CAPS PLEASE):

MEAL INCLUDING OR NOT INCLUDING WINE?

STARTER/MAIN COURSE MENU CHOICES (CAPS PLEASE):

Please indicate if you have any dietary requirements.

Smoked Venison Salad with Pears & Raspberry Coulis

OR

Winter Vegetable Lentil Soup

BOTH SERVED WITH

Secret Chefs Wee Rolls

Balmoral Chicken & Peppercorn Sauce

OR

Thick Rib of Angus Beef & Whisky Sauce

OR

Vegetarian Haggis Baked Peppers (v)

ALL SERVED WITH

Roasted Potatoes

Orange Infused Carrots

Stem Broccoli & Garlic Butter

Coffee/Tea and Pudding to be served after supper

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Membership of the Clan MacLaren Society

Subscriptions:

Life Membership £120.00 (US\$154)

Double Life Membership £170.00 (US\$219)

Annual Membership:

Joining Fee (one off) £20.00 (US\$26)

Annual Membership £12.00 (US\$16)

Annual Subscriptions fall due on 1st January each year and are payable to the CLAN MACLAREN SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP ACCOUNT.

Payments to the UK should be made in Sterling. Annual members are reminded that after seven annual payments Life Membership is offered at the reduced sum of £60 (US\$75) or in other currencies at the current exchange rate.

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