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This is your newsletter. We welcome interesting stories and pictures. No limits to your creativity! It's about sharing everything MacAulay.

### CELEBRATE YOUR SCOTTISH HERITAGE ON TARTAN DAY

"Tartan Day is a celebration of Scottish heritage on 6 April, the date on which the Declaration of Arbroath was signed in 1320. It originated in Canada in the mid-1980s. It spread to other communities of the Scottish diaspora in the 1990s. In Australia the similar International Tartan Day is held on 1 July, the anniversary of the repeal of the 1747 Act of Proscription that banned the wearing of tartan.

On 9 March 1986, a 'Tartan Day' to promote Scottish heritage in Canada, was proposed at a meeting of the Federation of Scottish Clans in Nova Scotia. Jean Watson, President of Clan Lamont, petitioned provincial legislatures to recognize April 6 as Tartan Day. The first such proclamation was by Nova Scotia in April 1987. On December 19, 1991, in response to action initiated by the Clans & Scottish Societies of Canada, the Ontario Legislature passed a resolution proclaiming April 6 as Tartan Day following the example of other Canadian provinces.

Meeting in 1997 in Sarasota Florida, The Scottish Coalition USA looked to see Tartan Day recognized in the USA as it was being observed in Canada. The Scottish Coalition USA comprises The American-Scottish Foundation, Scottish Heritage, USA, The Living Legacy of Scotland, Inc., The Association of Scottish Games and Festivals, Scottish American Military Society, Council of Scottish Clans and Association (COSCA)

In 1998, the efforts of the Scottish Coalition with the leading help of Trent Lott, saw the United States Senate Resolution adopt 6 April National Tartan Day. This lead in turn to the Congressional and then Presidential passing of the recognition of Tartan Day Observance on April 6 each year.

In Australia, wearing tartan on 1 July has been encouraged since 1989. The day has been promoted as International Tartan Day in Australia since 1996 and has been formally recognised by many states, but not at national level."

Source: Wikipedia

### Secretary Joan McAulay



### The Declaration of Arbroath April 6, 1320

"As long as but a hundred of us remain alive, never will we on any conditions be brought under English rule. It is in truth not for glory, nor riches, nor honours, that we are fighting, but for freedom - for that alone, which no honest man gives up but with life itself".

### Get Your Tartan On!

On April 6th (July 1st in Australia) we hope you'll show your pride in your Scottish heritage by wearing tartan. Chief Hector MacAulay will be attending the Tartan Day Celebration at Arbroath Abbey on April 6th, representing MacAulays world-wide.

And it seems like a good day to remember both our MacAulay ancestors and the Scots that shaped the world we live in today. They were soldiers, artists and artisans, crofters and farmers, politicians, authors, athletes, scientists, philosophers, singers and songwriters, mathematicians, cartoonists and illustrators, economists, social activists, physicians, poets, business leaders and innovators, spiritual leaders, journalists, teachers, aviators, actors, police officers, comedians and abolitionists.

There were heroes with the occasional villain thrown in for interest. They suffered unimaginable hardships and tragedies and experienced joy and success. They lived, loved, had families and died. Each had their own story, many of which have been passed down from father to daughter and mother to son in keeping with the Scottish tradition of sharing our oral history.

This is our day to celebrate our heritage.

There are several MacAulay tartans you can choose from for Tartan Day. And if you don't have a MacAulay tartan, no worries, proudly wear anything tartan!



MacAulay of Ardencaple



MacAulay of Ardencaple (Hunting)



MacAulay of Lewis



A reproduction of the Declaration of Arbroath at Arbroath Abbey.



Arbroath Abbey, where the Declaration of Arbroath was signed in 1320.

# A message from Chief Hector MacAulay

### Clan Chief Welcomes Change

I hope you enjoy reading this latest issue of "MacAulay Matters". Once again, thanks to our Clan Secretary for producing yet another excellent newsletter.

As a clan we have seen some major changes taking place since our last Clan Gathering in Carrickfergus in Northern Ireland. For the first time, we elected on to our executive committee three members from overseas. Joan McAulay, Clan Commissioner for Western Canada as our new Clan Secretary, Doug Doughty, Clan Commissioner for Ontario as our new Standard Bearer (and taking on Social Media Officer) and Bill O'Reilly, Clan Commissioner for Michigan who is now chairing our clan gathering sub-committee. At our recent executive committee meeting we co-opted Bob Macauley, Clan Commissioner for South Missouri on to the committee and I welcome him aboard.



Not only does this change reflect our ever-growing membership worldwide but also ensures that some of our most experienced and talented members can be elected to play a part in the development of Clan MacAulay. Already, through the new skills we have at our disposal we have seen the excellent production of "MacAulay Matters", the use of Social Media and the development of our new web site which is well worth a visit by going to www.clanmacaulay.org.uk

When I was reading the December issue of "MacAulay Matters" I reflected on the first newsletter we produced back in 2002, and by good luck I kept a copy. It was interesting looking back and reading the articles

which focussed on the major changes we made to the structure of the clan, the 2002 Clan Gathering held in Tulloch Castle Hotel, Dingwall and how Ian MacMillan MacAulay had just become our first elected Clan Chief.

The changes we made back in 2002 gave the clan a new sense of direction and purpose, allowing the clan to develop and move forward. I see today's changes having the same effect as we harness the skills, expertise and commitment of our new committee members who have already made a major impact in moving the clan forward.

Exciting times indeed.

Hector MacAulay Clan Chief



### Luca Salvatore Colonnella, Adruzzo, Italç

### A Cultural Tuinning with Italg!

For the first time in the history of Clan MacAulay we have agreed to embark on a twinning arrangement. The opportunity arose to twin with "The Scozzesi" a group of friends from Offida in Italy who are involved in all things Scottish including the formation of a pipe band and wearing of the tartan, and soon to be into all things MacAulay. Read their fascinating story below by Luca Salvatori.

It is appropriate that we have embarked on this twinning in 2018 as it is the 'European Year of Cultural Heritage' promoting cross-border twinning and co-operation between cultural associations.

As a modern, international and outward-looking clan we can play our part in promoting cultural exchanges to showcase the best of Clan MacAulay and Scotland across a range of activities. Not just bringing our own people together but also helping to bring people of other cultures together as well.

Hector MacAulay, Clan Chief

We were enormously happy to learn that the Clan MacAulay Association has accepted our proposal and we look forward to continuing to go on our path with you.

Our group is the outcome of several chance encounters.

First I met Peter Kelly, Catriona MacAulay MacKenzie's son-in-law, and our friendship was immediate; so I planned a trip to Scotland where I had the chance to meet his family. They were very kind to me and helped me to start the study of Scottish music, which I have always loved. Then I met Catriona several times, and learnt about her commitment in the activities of her Clan, which she was very proud of. Then I started (not without many difficulties) playing the bagpipe I had bought together with Peter.



L-R: Luca, Antonio, Domenico, Sandro "The President", Massimo, Marco and Paolo

Then I met the "Scozzesi", a group of friends from Offida who are very fond of all things Scottish, and every year since 1994 celebrate the "Carnevale Offidano" (an event and a town that could each deserve an article on their own) wearing a kilt and a feather bonnet, but they still lacked the music band. I told them about the possibility to play together and I met with their enthusiasm; so within a few months a small town in the Marche region of Italy had six bagpipes and as many drums!

### Set your PVR or watch live as our 'MacAulay' Scozzesi pipe band play the **Scottish National** Anthem at the **Six Nations Ruby Tournament** March 17th!

### A Cultural Tuinning with Itale! cont'd

Since then, under the guidance of Maestro Alberto Massi, we have been gradually growing as a wee, funny reality and have started our little performances, dreaming that we will become a proper pipe band. We didn't have an "official" uniform, and we wanted to choose a real tartan, so I shyly asked Catriona to be allowed to wear the Tartan of her Clan



Standing L-R: Mauro, Alberto, Domenico, Luca holding my bagpipe high. Federico, Marcello, Massimo, Marco, Remo, Enzo (with Antonio standing behind him) and Sandro. On their knees Stefano and Sergio

MacAulay in order to establish a cultural tie between our communities, and she welcomed my request, though she was already sick. When our project was coming true Catriona passed away.

However this didn't make us lose heart, on the contrary we decided that it would be a way to honour our friendship and we got in touch with Clan Chief Hector MacAulay.

Your acceptance has arrived together with the news that five of us will be in Rome and play the Scottish National Anthem on the field before the Italy-Scotland Rugby match during the Six Nations Rugby Tournament (March 17th). So a

wee bit of Clan MacAulay will be there, although we won't be able to get our kilts with your Tartan for that day. We promise we will have better uniforms in the future.

Greetings from Italy, Luca Salvatore and the Scozzesi pipe band





Scozzesi playing with a youth orchestra. L-r Marcello, Alberto, Stefano on the drums, Paolo, Domenico, Massimo, Luca and Sandro at the pipes, and Marco our standard bearer

### Meeting (virtually) Sean Macaulay

**During the 2018 Winter** Olympics Doug and I decided it was appropriate to watch Eddie the Eagle, the film about the inspirational ski jumper from England. As a Canadian, well immersed in the 1998 Calgary Olympics, I fell in love with the spirit of Eddie Edwards, the Eagle and was delighted when the film debuted featuring his story. It was much to our surprise while watching the opening credits that we saw Screenplay by Sean Macaulay. A quick trip to the computer soon had me in contact with Sean. He graciously agreed to be interviewed for our March (post-Olympics) edition of MacAulay Matters. While I haven't had the honour of meeting Sean in person, his wit and warmth shine through. I asked Sean to talk about the making of the film, his life and his connection to our beloved Clan MacAulay. So, without further ado, please meet Sean Macaulay, journalist, screenwriter and Macaulay!

~ Joan McAulay, Editor

## A Macaulas connection to Eddie the Eazle? Meet Sean Macaulas

I got hired by an English producer in LA to work on the script way back in 2002. I knew it was great idea as soon as I heard it; getting the movie made was another story altogether. A 14-year epic tale of rejection and perseverance until producer Matthew Vaughan and 20th Century-Fox stepped in with a magic wand and it all got made it in six months.

I was living in England during the 1988 Winter Games when Eddie was front-page news, and always loved his pluck. There was something so quintessentially British about him. He was like a "Carry On" movie on skis. During a location scout in Germany, I went all the way up one of the 90m jumps he completed. My respect for him increased no end after that.



Amazingly, Eddie and I never actually met until the UK premiere in 2016, literally didn't hug hello until the red carpet in Leicester Square. Before that, we'd only ever spoken by email or on the phone. It was like Sleepless in Seattle with two out-of-shape bald guys.

Eddie was always worried we might diminish his achievement or be glib about it. But he had tears in his eyes when he saw the finished film. Everyone – the producers, the director, the cast – did justice to his story.

The washed-up coach character, played by Hugh Jackman, was a composite of assorted coaches who'd helped Eddie along the way. The boozing was fictionalized, but later one of Eddie's old coaches surfaced and admitted he had indeed battled a drink problem! He even looked a bit like Hugh Jackman.

I jokily apologized to Hugh at the premiere for writing a scene in which he had to imitate an orgasm (in the infamous Bo Derek scene where Hugh gets Eddie to approach ski-jumping like he's making love). Hugh said, "Are you kidding, mate? Actors live for that stuff." He was a prince. At the Sydney premiere, he made this dashing exit up the aisle, randomly giving some wee kid a high five as he went. As luck would have it, it was my nephew, Fergus Macaulay. I can't help feel a bit of Hugh Jackman makes everything better.

"I worked as a journalist in the last days of Tleet Street" Eean Macaulay

### Sean Macaulas cont'd... journalist, screenwriter and Macaulas



Eddie the Eagle premiere photo, London, March 2016. L-R Taron Egerton (Eddie the Eagle), Sean Macaulay and Hugh Jackman (the coach)

### My Macaulay clan history

My father Iain Macaulay grew up in Elgin, Scotland and worked in publishing. He later settled in Dublin, near Scotman's Bay, appropriately enough. My mother Pauline is English-Welsh, but they met at Edinburgh University and our Scots heritage has always been a huge part of identity. My dad's parents, Hector and Gertrude Macaulay, were teachers and lived in Duddingston, Edinburgh. We spent many a summer as kids in the 1970s and 80s staying at their pebbledash bungalow, seeing the Military Tattoo and eating Tunnock's Wafers.

The rest of the family tree is a bit sketchy, alas, though I do recall a bootmaker in Elgin called Uncle Archie.

We grew up in north London and I worked as a journalist in the last days of Fleet Street before I moved to LA. Over the years, I've written for The London Times, Punch, The Sun and British GQ. I've interviewed everyone from Harrison Ford to Sharon Osborne and her 16 Pomeranian dogs. Screenwriting is lot more sedate.

# Sean Coacaulag cont'd... journalist, screenwriter and Coacaulag

I discovered the clan tartan when I did an article for the Sunday Express on James Doohan, the actor who played Scotty in "Star Trek". He had a Canadian accent and was of Irish descent in real life but that didn't stop him getting fitted for a kilt while in the UK promoting "Star Trek IV". He'd put on a few pounds since the original series, so they had to unspool quite a few extra yards of plaid. That day, the kiltmakers showed me the Macaulay tartan and I was delighted to see it was one of the nice ones – the glorious Ardencaple red. I promptly ordered a couple of Macaulay ties and still wear them. My brother Bruce Magnus Macaulay went one better and got married in a Macaulay kilt.

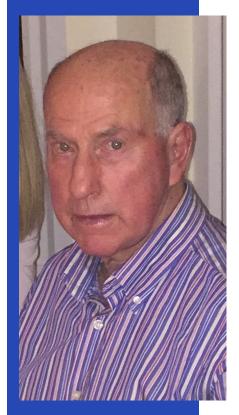
While back in Scotland last summer, I ran across a greengrocers in Fife called Macauley's, so if needed we can always update the clan motto from "Danger is Sweet" to "Quality for Less".

My sister Sarah now lives back in Fife, literally overlooking the Forth Bridge which we used to cross every summer. She's married to former British Prime Minister, Gordon Brown, so their two boys grew up in Downing Street, but they're definitely getting Scottish accents now. She and Gordon once had Sean Connery and his wife to dinner when he was in town accepting an award. The first thing he said when he sat down next to her was, "Tell me, are you related to the Sean Macaulay who writes the film column in The Times?" Turned out, he was a big fan! The clan name is Bond-approved. It doesn't get much higher than that.



L-R Sarah (Macaulay) Brown holding John Macaulay Brown, Gordon Brown, Barack Obama, Sean Macaulay holding Honor Macaulay, Fraser Brown, Caroline Macaulay, and Isabel Macaulay

### Spotlight on our executive



# Neil IAIN COACAULAY executive committee coember

Why did you become a member and executive committee member of Clan MacAulay? I have always been interested in my clans roots and history and had previously kept up to date with Clan MacAulay. I was nominated by the late Catriona MacAulay in 2011 to become an executive committee member.

Born: Great Bernera, Isle of Lewis, in a traditional Lewis dwelling.

**Lives:** The small village of Airlie in Angus, mainland Scotland. Emahroo. This is 5 miles West of Kirriemuir and 8 miles from Blairgowrie.

**Profession:** I have been retired for 28 years and keep myself busy with gun dogs and gardening for local friends. Prior to retirement, I served 35 years in the British Army. I joined the Seaforth Highlanders at the age of 18, this was when I left the Isle of Lewis. I have served in the Far East, Middle East and was stationed throughout Europe. During this time I also did exchange visits to Canada and the United States, this is where I began to trace my MacAulay roots in Colorado Springs and Vancouver.

**Favourite hobby/pastime:** Until recently, my favourite hobbies included running and skiing. I represented the British Army in both sports.

**Who you admire:** Herr Harra, a policeman in Bavaria. He was my trainer for cross country skiing and he had represented Germany in the 1952 Helsinki Olympics, where he came 2nd in the 15 km race. He was an exceptionally talented individual.

A unique talent: I have never relied on an alarm clock to get up in the morning, I have always been up by 5am- perhaps programmed into me from the Army days.

**Favourite beverage:** Scottish Tea, my mother always said she had drunk enough tea to sail the Queen Mary at least three times so I have followed suit.

**Favourite music:** The only music I listen to comes from the Gaelic radio station - BBC Alba. I have noticed that traditional Gaelic music has very much revived in Scotland.

**Favourite place to travel:** The Far East, I served for 3 years in Singapore, including Malaya (now Malaysia) and 3 times in North Borneo, I also served 2 years in Hong Kong. I have revisited this region twice in the last 8 years and find the culture fascinating, especially with their development in modern life.

**Personal motto:** Treat others the way you wish to be treated.

**Branch of the MacAulays:** The Breanish MacAulays who hailed from Uig, Isle of Lewis.

**Oldest MacAulay traced in your lineage:** My Uncle's Grand Daughter who visited from New Zealand, informed us that she had traced MacAulay roots back to the 15th century in Lewis. However, I can not recall the exact names of these roots

I returned from the Isle of Lewis on Saturday after a brief visit, a very different Lewis to my younger days. There is not much work on the land and little or no stock on the Crofts or in the Townships. This goes to show the rapid change in the times we live.

# Spotlight on our Clan Commissioners

### WORTH WATSON COACAULAY CLAN COCCOISSIONER, COASSECHUSETTS

Born: Boston, Massechusetts

Lives: Massechusetts

Current profession: Retired. Was a Sr Field Service Engineer, in the Graphic field

**Favourite hobby/pastime:** Watching movies **Who you admire:** My two Dads and Mom

A unique talent: Talking

Favourite beverage: Beer, coffee, tea

Favourite music: All kinds

Favourite place to travel: Baddeck, Nova Scotia (my family is

from there)

Personal motto: Be kind to y'all

Branch of the MacAulays: Isle of Lewis

Oldest MacAulay ancestor traced in your lineage: George

Macaulay, Scotland, 1815

**DNA testing:** MacAulay DNA Project (Ancestry)

Interesting facts: I am no better than the Good Lord put here

to be

### Spotlight on our Members

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Why did you become a Member of Clan MacAulay? My first foray into Y-chromosome DNA was to discover whether my McAuley ancestors hailed from Scotland or were from a native Irish family. I was very interested when the results clearly indicated a Highland Scot's origin. Joining Clan MacAulay seemed the next natural step.

**Born:** Dorchester, Dorset, England. Dorchester was the home of the Reverend John White who founded the Massachusetts Bay Company in 1629.

Lives: Weymouth, Dorset from where those early colonists sailed to New England.

**Current profession:** Last year, I completed 20 years' service as a Prison Officer. While I am now in the process of stepping down from that role, I intend to continue working within the Prison system.

### Spotlight on our Members

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**Favourite hobby/pastime:** I have been re-enacting the American Civil War for the best part of the last 20 years and really enjoy weekends in the summer camping under canvas and sitting round the old camp fire with friends talking history.



Who you admire: It is very hard, if not impossible, to admire anyone in public life these days. Instead, I would like to suggest a great Antrim McAuley from an earlier era. Professor Eoin MacNeill was born as John McNeill in Glenarm in the Glens of Antrim in 1867. His parents were Archibald McNeill and Rosetta McAuley. (See sidebar for more information of Professor MacNeill.)

**A unique talent:** To have an opinion on almost every subject!

**Favourite beverage:** I generally enjoy ice-cold European lager, or a pint of Guinness when in Ireland.

### More about Professor Eoin MacNeill

Educated in Belfast, he was an outstanding scholar of early Irish history, culture and folklore and went on to cofound the Gaelic League in 1893. In 1913, as Ireland lurched toward civil war over the Third Home Rule Bill, he organised the Irish Volunteers as a counterweight to the anti-Home Rule Ulster Volunteers. Great Britain and Ireland's entry into the Great War the following year changed everyone's plans. Despite his opposition, the Volunteers were drawn into the Easter Rising in 1916 and MacNeill was sentenced to life imprisonment. Following his early release from prison and the troubled early years of the Irish Free State, Eoin MacNeill was finally able to return to scholarly pursuits in Dublin. He died in 1945.

**Favourite music:** I am not nostalgic about the music of my youth, but I do enjoy nostalgic music. I currently enjoy listening to Rhiannon Giddens. She is a sublime curator and performer of traditional American music. Her singing voice carries such beautiful sincerity and real authenticity. I was lucky enough meet her last year.

**Favourite place to travel:** If someone was to ask me why I travelled to Ireland, I would reply "why would I not travel to Ireland".

**Personal motto:** Today is the tomorrow you worried about yesterday – and nothing happened

**Branch of the MacAulays:** ICurrent analysis of DNA results from the MacAulay DNA study indicates that I am in the 'Scots Modal to Antrim Group 1', which I am very happy about as it contains some great people.

**Oldest MacAulay traced in your lineage:** Charles McCauley in the mid19th Century. His son, Patrick McCauley, then Charles McAuley, followed by Thomas McAuley and my father Patrick McAuley. All North Belfast men.

**DNA testing:** I have tested to Y-DNA111. For those who are with FTDNA, my kit is 41432. I've recently taken the Big Y and am awaiting the results . I also took the Ancestry Autosomal test which told me I was 54% Ireland, 23% Europe West, 12% Scandinavia and 5% Great Britain.

**Interesting facts:** I enjoyed meeting many of you at the last Clan Gathering in Carrickfergus and I look forward to meeting many more of you in Scotland next year. I would love to have attended the gathering in Canada this year, but I hope that all of you who are going have a fantastic time!

# A Diamond Anniversary

# congratulations on 60 years of coarriage... coyrtle and ross cocauley



Myrtle and Ross, the parents of our Northern Ireland clan Commissioner Laurence McAuley recently celebrated their 'Diamond' wedding anniversary (60 years married).

A great night was had with family and friends...and even Queen Elizabeth sent her regards!

In lieu of flowers/presents the couple kindly asked that donations be made to the Northern Ireland Chest, Heart and Stroke Association...resulting in the fine sum of £400 being donated to this worthy cause!

Well done Myrtle and Ross and here's to many more years together! A truly beautiful couple!



# Tony Macaulay's Paperboy, soon to be Paperboy, The Musical



The idea for a musical came from a young man called Dean Johnson. Dean, who is from a similar background to me, read Paperboy when he was a student at drama school in England about six years ago. He contacted me and asked to meet up for coffee when he told me he loved the book and wanted to make my story into a musical. He was only 19 at the time, but I was really impressed with his talent and maturity and so I sensed that one day he would make it happen. We have kept in touch over the past few years and Dean is now an up and coming award winning young director in theatre in London.



When he was a teenager he participated in Youth Music Theatre UK and so he contacted them and suggested a Paperboy musical for their summer season in 2018. After several meetings with the producers they came up with a brilliant creative team - Dean will co-direct with West End director Steven Dexter, the play will be written by stand-up comedian Andrew Doyle, who has roots in Derry and platinum selling singer songwriter Duke Special will compose the music. Andrew and Duke Special have read the book and are currently working on the story and the songs.

Special auditions on the Shankill and Falls Roads were held on February 16th. I'm delighted there will be special auditions for Paperboy on the Shankill Road. I'm excited at the prospect of talented young people from the same community that I grew up in having an opportunity to kick start a career in the performing arts. I'm equally delighted that on the same day there will be auditions for Paperboy on Falls Road. I believe the arts can break down barriers and build peace and I'd love to see young people from the Shankill and Falls performing together in Paperboy.

I can tell really that it's going to be a really authentic telling of my story on the stage and I can't wait to see it!

### ~ Tony Macaulay

Youth Music Theatre UK (YMT), the leading UK music theatre company for young people, that has helped shape the careers of many, including Brit Award winner Ed Sheeran and Grammy Award nominee Sam Smith, is searching for Northern Ireland's next big musical theatre stars, for the brand-new musical adaptation of Tony Macaulay's Paperboy. The production will be performed at the Lyric Theatre Belfast in July 2018.

Renowned director Steven Dexter and choreographer Jennifer Rooney, who hails from Northern Ireland, will be joined by Belfast-born, platinum-selling singer songwriter Duke Special and Derry born stand-up comedian Andrew Doyle to bring Tony Macaulay's much-loved memoir to life.

# Heritage Secretary Christiane Readhead



### Local hero Ludo macaulay

(21st January 2018)

Article adapted from Spire FM and Salisbury Journal.

Ludwig Victor Macaulay, Son of George Alexander and Anneliese Macaulay of Salisbury, Wiltshire, England pictured below with his wife Helen.

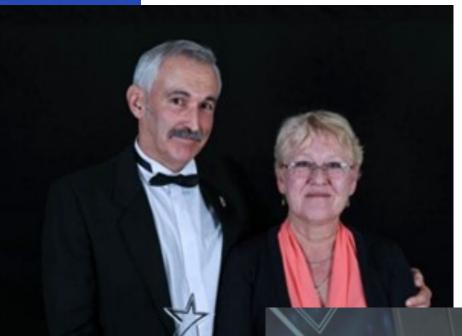
A number of local people have been recognised for their efforts to make South Wiltshire and West Hampshire a better place at the Spire FM and Salisbury Journal Local Hero Awards.

The awards are handed out to those that have gone the extra mile to support their community and others in the last year, with 11 categories being announced.

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT: Ludo Macaulay.

The winner of this year's Lifetime Achievement is well known around Salisbury for basically being involved with everything!

To many, Ludo Macaulay was fully deserving of this award, especially by his daughter! Ludo has been part of the Fire Service since he was just 18 and has served his community since then!



Whether it be through his role as a full time member, a pro-active retired firefighter, or his role with the Fire Fighters Charity - you'll always be able to catch him around the Fire Station.

There's not a race in Salisbury that hasn't seen Ludo at, whether it being a supportive spectator or organiser.

Click <u>here</u> and <u>here</u> for more details!

# "I saw beauty in the wood so I carved it to set it free"

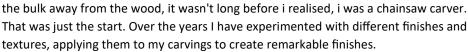


### The Elegant Carvings of Karl Macaules

Karl Macauley is the creative genius behind Elegant Chainsaw Carvings, based in Manchester, specialises in one off wood and stone carving commissions.

"As a boy I was constantly painting and drawing, Before long I was learning to carve wood and stone. After favourable comments from friends and family, I decided to take carving seriously and trained myself in the art of wood and stone carvings.

During this time I bought a chainsaw, at first using it just to cut



I enjoy living and working in a natural environment The trees I tend to carve are either felled because of disease or have fallen because of wind damage.or need to be felled because of environmental reasons."

We've connected Karl with Heritage Secretary Christiane in the hope she can help Karl trace his MacAulay roots.

T-rex anyone? Cat? Doug? A 30 foot totem pole? To see more of Karl's incredible carvings, please visit elegantchainsawcarvings.co.uk

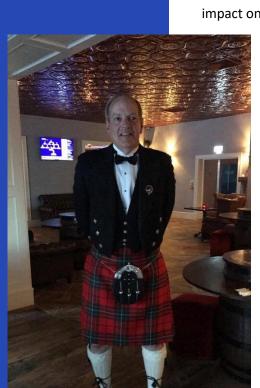








# Clan Commissioner, Michigan Bill O'Reilly



# ANOTHER PIECE OF AMERICAN history brought to you by a mccauley / macaulay

James McCauley was born in County Antrim, it what is now Northern Ireland, on 10 May 1841 and came to America in about 1864 – eventually settling in Northern California's now famous Yosemite Valley in 1870. He left a lasting impact on the world-renowned Yosemite Valley which is now part of the U.S.'

Yosemite National Park. Perhaps the most famous piece of lodging in this scenic wonder is the Ahwahnee Hotel (also today known as the Majestic Yosemite Hotel). It's origins date back to a couple named David and Jenny Curry. When they arrived at the Yosemite Valley in the late 1800s they revived a tradition started by James McCauley on the 4th of July 1872 (America's Independence Day).

James McCauley stared setting fire to piles of wood logs at sunset and pushed them off at Glacier Point above Yosemite Falls (waterfall) which, from the valley and hotel below, would make the falls appear to be on fire. It is a tradition that continues to this day. (see "Ahwahnee Hotel" at Wikipedia for more details). For James, it was a way to celebrate Independence Day in his new homeland with some homemade fireworks, and... to make a little extra money.

Per his obituary in the "Mariposa Gazette" of 1 July 1911, James built the short trail to Glacier Point and erected the Glacier Point Hotel which he

managed and operated for the next 18 years. He then established a ranch at Big Meadows where he was engaged in the wholesale butcher business as he supplied meat to Yosemite Valley and a number of area mining camps. Sadly, James died on the morning of 24 June 1911 as a result of an accident. he was one of the few remaining pioneers of the valley at the time of his death.



# Clan Commissioner, Michigan Bill O'Reilly

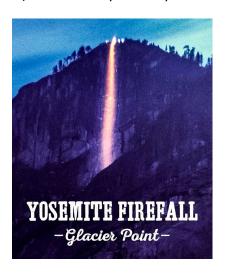
Inspired by my
sister Meg O'Reilly
Bowerman, Clan
Member, living in
Northern California
and someone who
first saw the Firefall
decades ago
without realizing
there was a
McCauley
connection.

# Have you checked out our new website?

clanmacaulay.org.uk

# ANOTHER PIECE OF ACCEPTION history brought to you by a cocauley / coacaulay cont'o

James' wooden barn still stands within the boundaries of Yosemite National Park – a remembrance of the early pioneers who once called the area home. In 1978 the barn was listed as part of the National Register of Historic Places. (See "McCauley and Meyer Barns" at Wikipedia).



James and his wife, German born Barbara Wenger, had 3 sons: Joseph / Jules (born 1874), John & Fred (twins born in 1881). Each of the 3 sons married and had children who were all born in California. The last known surviving grandchild of James and Barbara was Vivian Ruth McCauley Schmitz who died on Orange County, California in 1996.

Yet another example of the world-wide impact of our wonderful McCauley / MacAulay (and all the variants) ancestors. My own great-grandfather was also a James McCauley though he was born in Ontario, Canada in 1851 – his father, Bernard McCauley, was born in County Antrim in 1816 and settled in eastern Ontario in the 1840s.

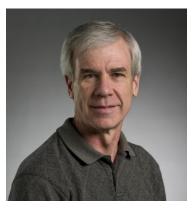




# Clan Commissioners for Missouri Bob Macauley and Mike Macauley

# A Scottish Festival in Ste. Genevieve, Wissouri

Saturday April 7 and Sunday April 8, 2018 the historic Mississippi River town of Ste. Genevieve, Missouri will hold its first ever Scottish Festival! Ste. Genevieve is about an hour drive south of St. Louis, Missouri along Interstate 55. Ste. Genevieve's historical roots date back to the early 1700's, when French Canadian colonists and fur traders from Illinois crossed the Mississippi River to establish, on the western bank, Missouri's oldest colonial settlement. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/





Ste.\_Genevieve,\_Missouri

Today, the town boasts a population of nearly 5,000. With many historically significant and well-preserved buildings, the town is a favorite of both history buffs and people making day trips from St. Louis. Ste. Genevieve is proud of its many excellent restaurants and high quality B&Bs. In 2017, Ste. Genevieve hosted over 10,000 eclipse watchers from around the world as the path of the full solar eclipse passed directly over the small town.

Clan commissioners for Missouri, Bob and Mike Macauley, are currently planning to be present and actively promoting the MacAulay Clan organization at the festival.

For more information visit the Ste. Genevieve tourism page here: https://www.visitstegen.com/ and here: http://greatriverroad.com/stegen/fcceventpages/stegenscottish.htm

### Did you know?

In the movie Commuter, released January 12, 2018, Liam Neeson plays businessman Michael MacCauley "caught up in a criminal conspiracy during his daily commute home". Click <a href="here">here</a> to visit IMDB and learn more about this 'MacCauley' movie!

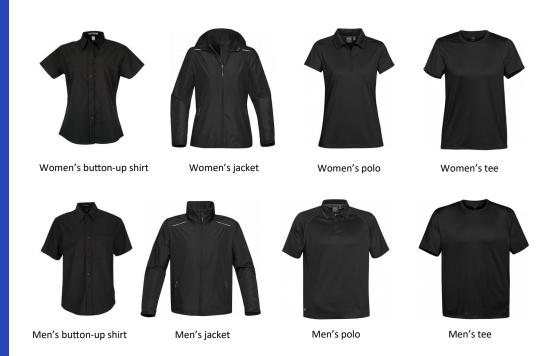
There are currently jackets, short-sleeved button-up shirts, polos and t-shirts.

### what coacaulays are wearing!

Click <u>Clan MacAulay Apparel</u> to view all of the available MacAulay apparel options for men and women. To order click <u>Clan MacAulay Apparel Order Form</u>, print, complete, scan and send.

Each item of apparel is adorned with the MacAulay badge. Wear it proudly!

All prices listed in Cdn\$. To estimate the cost in other currencies please click <a href="here">here</a>. (Note: Shipping costs to the UK are high. Spend some time in the US or Canada and have your order shipped there instead!)



Clan MacAulay or associated sub-groups of Clan MacAulay do not profit from apparel purchases.

Coming soon ...
a new way to
keep our
MacAulay
members
updated

A search was initiated by the executive committee for a member management system for Clan MacAulay. The current system of recording members and collecting member fees is labour intensive. Our search concluded that <a href="MemberPlanet">MemberPlanet</a> would be the best option for two reasons:

- 1. They have an option for Associations such as Clan MacAulay Association, and
- 2. It's free (other than a minimal fee for annual dues collection).

We can continue to use PayPal for member payments (PayPal and MemberPlanet fees will apply) or you can continue to pay your dues directly to Finance Secretary Ken Carter.

This will simplify sending emails about MacAulay events, the Annual General Meeting, newsletters and notices for dues renewals. You'll be able to update your contact information while ensuring our Association stays on-side of privacy legislation.

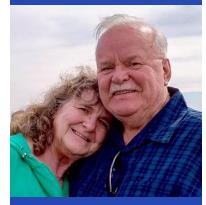
Prospective members will be able to easily join without the necessity of completing a form, scanning and emailing it and then submitting payment separately.

# Gathering of the MacAulays

2018 in

Canada

Everyone's welcome!



Bud MacAulay
Lush, Chieftain & High
Commissioner, Clan
MacAulay of The Canadas
and his lovely wife Tena
look forward to
welcoming you in Cape
Breton, Nova Scotia.

# you're invited to cape breton, nova scotia august 16-19, 2018

Thinking about coming to the MacAulay Gathering in 2018? We put together just a few of the top reasons to attend the MacAulay Gathering in Cape Breton.

- #17 Haggis hurling! Come on, haven't you always wanted to hurl a haggis?!?
- #16 If you haven't been to Canada, this is your chance! If you're from Canada, see one of the most beautiful areas of Canada. If you're from Nova Scotia, it'll be close to home!
- #15 If you're not from Canada, your dollar/pound will go further ... much further!
- #14 Stay at the beautiful MacAulay-owned <u>Inverary Resort</u> on Bras d'Or Lakes
- #13 Meet family, friends and future friends
- #12 Hike to the lovely <u>Uisge Ban (ish-ka-ban) Falls</u>, Gaelic for "white water"
- #11 Hear some awesome pipers and Cape Breton musicians
- #10 Sail around Bras d'Or Lakes with Amoeba Sailing Tours
- #9 Learn some Gaelic phrases at The Gaelic College
- #8 Experience the history of Alexander Graham Bell at his Museum
- #7 Visit a <u>Highland Village</u> and celebrate the Gaelic experience in Nova Scotia
- #6 Learn to party like a Cape Bretoner at a kitchen party!
- #5 Drive the Cabot Trail and feel like you're in the highlands of Scotland
- #4 Immerse yourself in history at the Fortress of Louisberg
- #3 Spend some time delving into MacAulay genealogy
- #2 It's a chance to show off your MacAulay tartan and apparel!
- #1 All the cool MacAulays will be there!

Registration and hotel details are available here.

Desperately seeking your MacAulay photos! As you'll see in the following pages, we're looking for people, places and the unique! Send them to secretary@clanmacaulay.org.uk with the Subject "MacAulay Matters Photos", your name and a brief explanation of the photo.

# Events from March to June, 2018

### upcoming events around the world

### **Australia**

#### March

Geelong Highland Gathering Maclean Highland Gathering

### April

**Bundanoon Highland Gathering** 

### May

Australian Celtic Festival
Berry Celtic Festival
Bonnie Wingham
Scottish Festival

#### June

**National Celtic Festival** 

### Canada

### May

Victoria Highland Games

#### June

BC Highland Games and Scottish
Festival
Manitoba Highland Gathering
Summerside Highland Gathering

### **New Zealand**

#### March

**Easter Highland Games** 

### Scotland

### **April**

Melrose Rugby Sevens
TradFest

#### May

Atholl Gathering and Highland
Games
Blackford Highland Games
Carmunnock Highland Games
Drumtochty Highland Games
Gordon Castle Highland Games
Gourock Highland Games

Spirit of Speyside Whisky Festival

Whisky Month

### **Scotland**

### June

Aberdeen Highland Games
Ardrossan Highland Games
Ceres Highland Games
Cornhill Highland Games
Cupar Highland Games
European Pipe Band
Championships: Piping at Forres
Helensburgh & Lomond Highland
Games
Lorne Highland Games
Royal Highland Show

Scottish Traditional Boat Festival

<u>Shotts Highland Games</u> <u>Strathmore Highland Games</u>

### **United States**

### March

Saltwater Highland Games

### **April**

Ste. Genevieve, Missouri
Loch Norman Highland Games

### May

Fairhill Scottish Games
Rio Grande Valley Celtic Festival
Smoky Mountain Scottish Festival

#### June

Blairsville Scottish Festival & Highland Games
Garrett County Celtic Festival
Mid-Maryland Celtic Festival
Ohio Scottish Games

### MacAulays and MacAulay Places ... in Photos





Robbie Burns Night with James & Jasminka McCauley at The Shakespeare in New York. The haggis was imported from North Carolina!

Attending a Tartan Day event?

April 6th in many countries.

Be sure to take photos and send them to the Editor at secretary@clanmacaulay.org.uk with your name and event location to be included in the June edition of MacAulay Matters!

Have fun out there!





MacAulays and MacAulay Places ... in Photos



Alyson Macaulay Court, featured guest at the Oshawa, Ontario Comic Con December 2017

The aim of Clan MacAulay International is the promotion of the spirit of kinship, harmony and unity within the Clan, fostering interest in Scotland ... the land, our origins, our history in a multicultural world. The clan aims to promote Clan MacAulay and its place in Scottish history both in Scotland and overseas. Our Clan is based on Democracy and Meritocracy not Aristocracy and Patronage.

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- Bob Macauley
- Laurence McAuley
- Mark MacAulay
- Neil MacAulay

Ideas, pictures and articles welcome!
Please submit to MacAulay Matters Editor Joan McAulay
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