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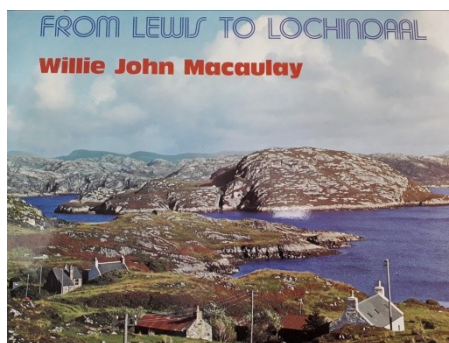
Your Executive Committee

This is your newsletter. We welcome interesting stories and pictures. No limits to your creativity!

MOD GOLD MEDALLIST: WILLIE JOHN MACAULAY

Willie John Macaulay was born and brought up in Grosebay, Harris and as a native of these parts, his first language was Gaelic. He began to show an interest in music while studying at Inverness Technical College, but it was only when he moved to Dundee in 1964 to serve an engineering apprenticeship that he decided to sing in his native tongue.

In his spare time, he took private tuition at Dundee School of Music. Then, from 1971 onwards, he made a weekly trip to Glasgow to study under leading singing teacher John A MacRae, who has coached thirteen mod gold medallists. The years of hard work paid off, for, in 1975, he won the Gold Medal at the National Gaelic Mod in East Kilbride.



Willie John's Mod triumph brought him handsome dividends, with the sale of his first LP "Lewis to Lochindaal", in addition to TV and radio appearances. He became the top entertainer on the Gaelic circuit.

Sadly, Willie John Macaulay died on the 8th July 2006 at the age of 58.

We can be truly proud of his achievements and he richly deserves to be recognised as a famous MacAulay.

Hector MacAulay, Clan Chief

Submitted by
Chief Hector
MacAulay

A Warm Welcome Awaits!

On a recent visit to the Hilton Coylumbridge, Aviemore I was assured that a warm welcome awaited all Clan MacAulay members who will be attending our next International Clan Gathering to be held there on 5th to 8th September 2019.

I also look forward to welcoming you to what I expect will be an action packed weekend to include a visit to the historic Culloden Battlefield and Cardhu Distillery, Knockando Woolen Mill or Speyside Cooperage as well as celebrating our heritage with a feast of Scottish music, including a formal banquet and ceilidh. MacAulays know how to enjoy themselves so do come along and join the fun.

For further information visit the Clan MacAulay International website [here](#).

Clan Chief Hector MacAulay

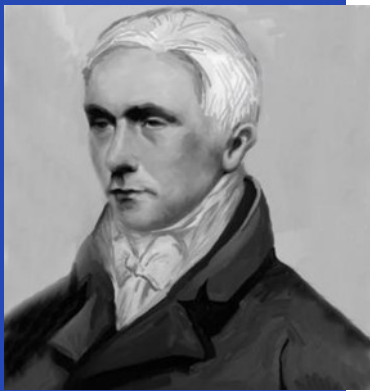


Loch Alvie in the Cairngorms National Park: Photo credit Visit Scotland and photographer Jakub Iwanicki



Loch Morlich in the Cairngorms National Park. Photo credit Visit Scotland and photographer Kenny Lam

Zachary
Macaulay
memorialized
in St.
George's
Garden



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Clan MacAulay Association is joining the Friends of St. George's Gardens in honouring Zachary Macaulay by contributing to the memorial funding.

Please join Chief Hector MacAulay and other members of our executive on Friday, October 19, 2018 at 6 pm in St. George's Gardens, 62 Marchmont St, Bloomsbury, London when the memorial to Zachary Macaulay will be dedicated and unveiled. There will be a short talk in St. George's Gardens about Zachary Macaulay followed at 6.30 pm by a further talk about modern slavery and light refreshments at Goodenough College .

2018 is the 250th anniversary of the birth of Zachary Macaulay, a leading abolitionist. He lived briefly at 2 Tavistock Place in London WC1 and is buried nearby in St George's Gardens, a former graveyard.

Zachary Macaulay's grave is not marked. The Friends of St. George's Garden wanted to remedy this because he is undoubtedly the most distinguished occupant of the graveyard. They commissioned the memorial that will state that he is buried there, that he was an abolitionist and also one of the founders of University College London which is based in London WC1.

The following is from [The Abolition Project](#):

"Zachary Macaulay was born in Inveraray, Scotland, the son of a Minister of the Church of Scotland. He only had a basic education but taught himself the Classics, Latin and Greek. He worked at a merchant counting house in Glasgow. At only 16 years of age, he went to Jamaica. He worked for eight years on a sugar plantation, eventually becoming the manager. At first he was horrified by the way the enslaved were treated but became hardened to it.

On returning to Britain, he met William Wilberforce through his sister's husband, Thomas Babington. Macaulay's time in Jamaica had left a deep impression on him and he became a member of the Society for the Abolition of the Slave Trade. In 1794, he took the post of Governor of the Sierra Leone colony, that had been established by Granville Sharp in 1788, to provide a home and work for freed slaves. He even travelled as a passenger on a slave ship, so that he could understand what it was like to sail the Middle Passage.

When he returned to Britain in 1799, his ability at collating information and his good head for figures made him invaluable when it came to dealing with the huge amounts of evidence collected. He was also adept at drafting reports that highlighted the horrors of slavery.

He continued to work hard for abolition and, in the 1820s, focused on securing the total abolition of slavery in the British Colonies. He helped to set up the Society for the Mitigation and Gradual Abolition of Slavery (later known as the Anti-Slavery Society) in 1823 and edited the society's publication, Anti-Slavery Reporter. His hard work and clear arguments helped to pave the way for the 1833 act that saw the end of slavery in the British Empire. He died in London in 1838."

Submitted by
Doug
MacAulay

A MacAulay Honeymoon Story Great Bernera in 1995!

Back in 1995, when Rachel and I were on honeymoon, we made our way to Ullapool, preparing to set up our bed and breakfast

accommodations for our stay on the Isle of Lewis. While having dinner we consulted our B&B directory (oh, the days before the internet) and noticed that two MacAulays owned lodgings. One was Mary and the other, Catherine. Since my mom is Mary and my grandmother was Katherine, we took it as a sign and said, "We'll either stay with Mom or we'll stay with Grandma." Once I got on the phone with Catherine, we decided to stay with "Grandma."

After taking the ferry over to Lewis, which was a great thrill for me since it had been many generations since my bloodline had returned, we rented a car and headed to Great Bernera. I made a few wrong turns, and the car had a manual stick with a different reverse setting than I was used to, so it was a longer journey than it had to be. Once we arrived, we were greeted by Catherine (Catriona) a lovely warm lady, and then Donald came and introduced himself and helped us with our luggage.

Catherine was very sweet to invite us to dinner, which we gratefully accepted. Besides not having to drive back to Stornoway to find supper, it was a chance for me to talk to Lewis MacAulays and hear clan stories. Donald and Catherine did not disappoint. Catherine provided what we affectionately call the "white dinner": cod, mashed potatoes, and cauliflower all topped with a white sauce. It was delicious.

As we enjoyed our meal, Donald regaled us with MacAulays and MacLeods dealing with Morrisons and being tricked by the MacPhees. It was a great moment, as Donald and Catherine were about my grandparents' age, and there were a few similarities in appearance and presentation between Donald and my grandfather Paul "Kick" MacAulay, which made the whole experience feel as if we had come home to family.



Submitted by
Doug
MacAulay

A MacAulay Honeymoon Story Cont'd

Upon heading upstairs to our room, we smiled at the deer antlers attached to a piece of wood with the MacAulay crest in the center. It was the fact

that this was different than our normal home decoration that we didn't at first notice a picture below it. I was about to turn to the stairs when I caught a glimpse of the

framed picture and decided to look closer. I picked up the picture which consisted of a crowd of people roped off, and Donald in full formal kilt walking from right of frame to center. The other part of the picture was of Prince Charles coming off a helicopter similar to our American Marine 1 and making his way toward Donald. Donald smiled as he noticed my excitement and explained his position on the Isle, if I remembered correctly, he related it to an American mayor.

We always remembered the wonderful time we had with the MacAulays, and every now and then Rachel will make or refer to the "white dinner," which was finished with golden vanilla ice cream and peaches for dessert.



Doug and Rachel, 23 years later
Cape Breton 2018



Rev Donald MacAulay OBE, referenced in this article was the First convener of the Western Isles Council (Comhairle nan Eilean Siar) Read more at: <https://www.scotsman.com/news/obituaries/rev-donald-macaulay-obe-1-1105229>

Paperboy ...

The Musical ...

Congratulations

Tony Macaulay!

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Theatre Review: West End transfer shouldn't be out of the question for Paperboy



Sam Gibson (15), from Killinchy, Co Down plays Young Tony in Paperboy at the Lyric

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The Youth Music Theatre UK production of Paperboy at Belfast's Lyric theatre features music by Duke Special

REVIEW

Paperboy

The Lyric theatre

Belfast

THE era of the Troubles has been successfully pinned down by many playwrights from Christina Reid to Stewart Parker and Marie Jones. What made the premiere of Paperboy at the Lyric Theatre so great last night was its attention to ordinary life.

Tony Macaulay's bestselling memoir works well because it's a truthful account of his growing up in the Shankill. It's about the paper boys' rivalry, his first crush and the fact she prefers fast Trevor. In other words, although you get details of the bombs (and bomb scares), it's about the way life continues.

This faithful, clever adaptation, with music by the inimitable Duke Special and words by talented librettist Andrew Doyle, worked a treat. With star-in-the making Sam Gibson in the title role, the production by Youth Music Theatre UK made us laugh, made us nearly cry and above all, made us relive the 1970s.

Throw in some Bay City Rollers references and the joint rocked. Stand-out numbers included No Son of Mine, sung by the paper boy's dad.

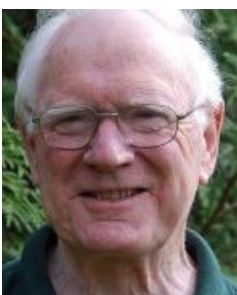
You feel Paperboy deserves a much wider audience and with a few tweaks, mainly to do with shifts of tone, a West End transfer shouldn't be out of the question. See it if you can.

Meet Your Clan
MacAulay Association
Executive for
2018-2019. All
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and Honourary
President were elected
at the September 1,
2018 Annual General
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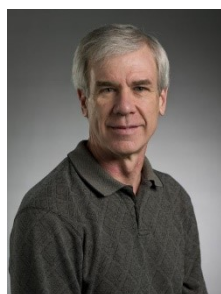


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Walter MacAulay

Spotlight on our Members

For a number of years St. Patrick's Day was always a fun day of celebration at our school and with a name like mine it was considered a most appropriate celebration. Somewhere around my 10th-11th year I put the question to my father where in Ireland was our family from. With a most serious look he replied that we were not exactly Irish as the family was really from Scotland. I so well remember the shock and I ask was he sure. At this point I had a dreadful moment. After all, Scotland had no holiday and who really knew anything about them. I barely knew where it was. I came to realize later in my life that the history books we used was not able to include all countries and their details. It seemed what ever was given to us was tied to the history of England. We won't go there on this topic.

Thus began that wee seed of curiosity that has become a passion for my father's family, history and culture. There is no doubt in my mind that we all have that "place" where deep down we know we belong. I am fortunate to have found it and the great pleasure to enjoy its' people, places, history and culture. That is a Wow!

Elizabeth "Betty" Sue McCauley Ribble

Birth Place—Columbia, Missouri, USA. My father was Daniel Brown McCauley and mother Emma Kathryn Winscott. Both born close by to Columbia.

Current location: San Diego, CA USA

Profession: Nurse, ret. Mother/Grandmother

Hobbies: Dogs/ breeder/exhibitor & judge Playing the harp.

Favorite beverage: Usige beatha! Scottish Blend tea & coffee

Favorite music: Traditional music and music of most genres

Travel: Most anywhere in the world but especially Scotland/Ireland (either one)

Family immigration: Early 1820's. James McCauley moved to western most part of Pennsylvania. *Historical note:* His only child, James Randall McCauley was a very young drummer boy in the Union Army during the American Civil War. At one point he was drumming for an all black regiment.

Current Family: I have been married sixty-two years to Donald H. Ribble who is a retired Master Chief, USN whose specialty was data systems. We have two daughters Sally and Connie. Both of whom work in the same computer field today for various civilian companies. While I made it my duty to bring both to Scotland to see their heritage and I am most proud to say they have returned on their own desire and attended our Clan Gatherings.

Our eldest daughter is single and lives nearby in Irvine, CA. Our youngest lives in a smaller community just outside Phoenix, AZ. She has two children. A daughter, graduate of U of Arizona, works in the business field for GM. She recently married and lives in the Phoenix area. She is also a rather good Scottish Country dancer. Our grandson is still with his studies with hopes of being in the security field.

Special Moments: Retirement has really brought to me opportunities I never gave a thought to. Upon learning to play the harp and collecting old Scottish traditional music my good friend Iain Og Macaulay inspired me to learn Scottish Gaidhlig. He assured me that I would understand and play the music better. This brought me to Sabhal Mor Ostaig, the Gaelic College on Skye for a summer of study of the harp and the language. This was followed by attendance to International Edinburgh Harp Festival followed by several weeks at the college in Cape Breton, NS, Canada. All wonderful moments. BUT, one of the most memorable was the opportunity to be a part of the march on at the Edinburgh Tattoo with my fellow clansmen. The pipe band played and there we were. A very warm welcome given us by the audience. It was a proud moment.



Spotlight on Our Commissioners

Laurence McAuley

Position in Clan MacAulay: Commissioner for Northern Ireland

How did I get involved in Clan MacAulay? From age eleven or so my interest in genealogy began to take hold. Even then I remember asking my County Donegal grandmother about her family and of how she came to meet my McAuley grandfather in far off County Antrim, just after the First World War. The information gleaned led to a number of basic family trees being drawn up, the following years of intense research to expand them (long before online records were easily accessible) and the subsequent writing of my family history.

The surname McAuley and all its variants (I myself have come across five different spellings of the family surname on all manner of documents and graveyard headstones) is extremely popular in County Antrim. Proof of this is the interesting fact that during my family research I uncovered that I had actually three g/g/g grandfathers named McAuley, all from different parts of County Antrim, Neil and Charles on my paternal side and Donald on my maternal side. Genetically, I certainly am made of McAuley stock! Unfortunately the scant surviving Irish records give no clue as to any historical connection between the three families prior to their births.

With my family research having come to a dead end in the year 1782, the birth year of my g/g/g/g grandfather John McAuley, a tenant farmer who lived beside Ballygally Castle situated on the famous Antrim Coast Road, the logical question I then asked myself was, where did all these McAuleys originate from?

I was to find out that the McAuleys arrived in Ireland from Scotland in two main waves of settlement. Many arrived in the 1500's in tow with the Clan of McDonnell (who as direct cousins of the MacDonald Clan were to become the Earls of Antrim and secondly, many were to come as settlers of the Plantation of Ulster in the 1600's. The surviving 'Hearth Money Rolls' of the 1660's for the Cushendall area (in the heart of the Glens of Antrim), lists 42 persons bearing the name McAuley, the most prevalent surname of the time, a very notable statistic. Where in Scotland these McAuleys came from is unknown, but certainly County Antrim has direct connections with the Scottish Ardincaple MacAulays, as a visit to the ancient Ladye Cemetery outside Cushendall can prove, with its MacAulay wall plaques providing information from 1642.

Unfortunately, I cannot pin down as to when my ancestors arrived from Scotland or to which MacAulay branch I owe my allegiance to. Perhaps DNA will help to open that door in the future?

In 2009, having confirmed my Scottish roots and with new kilt in hand, I and my partner Karen (a Montgomery, also of sound Scottish blood) headed to Edinburgh for our first MacAulay gathering as part of 'Homecoming Scotland 2009' and the 'International Gathering of the Clans'. To my surprise I was to learn that I was the first ever Irish McAuley to attend a Clan MacAulay Gathering. Having attended the clan AGM and presented an insight into my McAuley ancestry and recent DNA findings, I was even more surprised when voted onto the clan committee for the following year. Our first gathering had been a memorable one to say the least. We could not have been made more welcome by our new 'cousins', both near and far.

With the Scottish bond cemented, Karen and I have had a great time attending all subsequent gatherings, including the two outside of Scotland hosted by myself in County Antrim ... Carnlough 2011 and Carrickfergus 2017. Both were a huge success, but to have the largest ever MacAulay gathering with over 200 gatherers from round the globe at Carrickfergus was just amazing. Eight different spellings of MacAulay (together with McAuley, McCauley, McCaulley, Macaulay, McAulay, Macauley and McCawley) were represented from USA, Canada, Australia, NZ, England, Scotland, Rep Ireland and of course N. Ireland. Today's clan certainly is a global one! It really was a fantastic fun filled three days with memories for Karen and I that will last a lifetime.

For any MacAulay (no matter what spelling) perhaps thinking about joining us for the first time at next year's Scottish gathering in Coylumbridge, Aviemore please come along and join the fun...I assure you you will not be disappointed! I look forward to meeting you all (both old friends and hopefully many new ones).



County Antrim



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association



(McAuley/McCauley/Macaulay...)

Spotlight on Our Executive



What's your favourite hobby/what do you like to do in your spare time?

Spare time? I've heard of that expression but not sure what it is ... too busy on too many fronts I'm afraid but when life allows it, my own family history; woodworking / building things; hitting the nearby trails on my bicycle; and travel with my family - the photo shows me with my 3 daughters (Clare, Bridget & Cece) last year in Washington, DC where I lived for 8 years in the 1980s... my daughter Clare lives there now.

BILL O'REILLY

Position in Clan MacAulay: Clan Organiser; Clan Commissioner for Michigan

Why did you become a member of Clan MacAulay? It has been said that my favorite / favourite expression is "This reminds me of a story..." so here goes... Becky and I were on our second (actually 3rd but that's another story as well) visit to the ancestral home of my McCauleys - Cushendall, County Antrim, Northern Ireland in the summer of 2011. While visiting the friends we met in our 2008 visit there – James & Mary McAuley – how we met them is another interesting story for another day... James mentioned that he had heard of an upcoming Clan MacAulay event in the area. This turned out to be the 2011 Clan Gathering in Carnlough being held at the Londonderry Arms Hotel – where we had dined the previous night. Had I known of the Clan then / this event, we would have absolutely altered our travel plans to be there but alas, we were two weeks too early (though I was very tempted to catch another plane back). However, as a result of hearing of the event, I reached out to the person planning that event – Laurence McAuley. And that started the ball rolling. I saw that the next Gathering would be in 2013 and mentioned it to my many siblings – imagine my pleasant surprise when one by one they said they wanted to attend as well – so 19 from my immediate family descended on Crieff and I was hooked. It's been a great pleasure and reward to continue my involvement in Clan MacAulay.

Where do you currently live? The lovely town of Chelsea, Michigan – about an hour west of my hometowns of Detroit & Dearborn. Come visit us!

What's your current job or profession? Professional Genealogist – also in 2011, after decades of genealogy as a hobby, Becky and finally listened to the many who said we should do this for a living and finally decided on what we wanted to do when we grow up!

Who's someone you admire and why? Too many to mention but one who always comes to mind is my father, Jim O'Reilly. Among his many accomplishments was starting our family history in 1969 and I inherited it from him. I eventually took his well-organized hand-written binders of charts & notes and entered them into the earliest family history software programs and have built on it in the decades since. Considering he never was able to take advantage of the internet gives this next statement even more weight – I am yet to find a single one of his notes or facts in error. He's a big reason behind many of the things I do and love.

What is your most unique talent? Story telling?? Seriously, I have countless hundreds of them!

What's your favourite beverage? A pint or two of beer at the end of the day. And my favorite of those would likely be a Guinness.

What's your favourite kind of music/favorite piece/song/group/performer? I have really come to appreciate good "Americana" / folk / bluegrass music over the past few years. We are lucky to have a thriving local music world here and can walk to a couple of local venues for great music several nights a week. But those who know me will tell you that my favorites of all time are The Beatles.

What's your favourite place to travel and why? Ireland & Scotland. My origins are 100% Celtic / Scots-Irish which likely explains the true sense of feeling I've returned "home" each time I visit.

Your personal motto? Either "Leave things better than you found them" or "This reminds me of a story..."

Which branch of the MacAulays do you hail from? Regrettably, I am still not 100% certain – likely my McCauleys trace back to Ardencaple.

What's the name of the oldest MacAulay ancestor you've traced back in your line, DOB, place? James McCauley – born County Antrim in the late 1700s. His son Bernard, my great-great-grandfather, was born there about 1816 and emigrated to eastern Ontario, Canada in the 1840s.

Have you taken a DNA test and if so, which one(s)? I have done the FamilyTreeDNA and Ancestry testing. A male first cousin of my father's on the McCauley side had his tested years ago and I need to ask him to update that while I still can!

2019 Clan MacAulay International Gathering



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Speyside Cooperage Photo credit:
Wikipedia

MacAulays (of all spellings) will gather in the beautiful Cairngorms National Park at the Hilton Coylumbridge, Aviemore on September 5th to 8th in 2019. It will be a time to connect with our fellow MacAulays, make new friends and reacquaint with friends you've made at previous Gatherings.

Hotel reservations: Book your rooms *now* for the MacAulay Clan Gathering 2019! We have rooms reserved for September 5-8, 2019 at the Hilton Coylumbridge. The rates are inclusive of Dinner, Bed & Breakfast and our group rate is £145/night/person for a double and £165 for a single. To take advantage of these group rates you must **call** the Hilton Coylumbridge directly at **00441479 811 811** and use **Group Code GMACA**.

Registration for the Gathering: You can register now for the Gathering by clicking [HERE](#). Please note that pricing hasn't been finalized at this time; details will follow late fall/early winter. It's a year out and close to 40 MacAulays have already registered!

As you can read below there will be plenty to see and do during the Gathering with musical entertainment each evening.

New to our Gathering! For the golfers out there we're trying to organize a pre-Gathering golf game at one of the many local courses on the Thursday. More details to follow!

Thursday evening begins with the welcome night meal, fun and games. A chance to mix, mingle and meet new MacAulays.

On Friday we'll make the pilgrimage to the historic [Culloden Battlefield](#) where the 1745 Jacobite Rising came to a tragic end. You'll also have your choice of visiting the renown [Cardhu Distillery](#), the 230-year old [Knockando Woolmill Scotland](#) or see how casks are made at the [Speyside Cooperage](#) with time for you to enjoy lunch in beautiful Aberlour. Friday night we'll be awash in MacAulay tartans as we celebrate our heritage at the formal banquet. Entertainment to follow.

On Saturday you'll have time to delve into MacAulay genealogy, participate in the MacAulay Heavy(ish) Games, have free time to visit some of the great local spots of interest and then Saturday afternoon take part in the Annual General Meeting of Clan MacAulay Association. Late afternoon you'll have the choice of a whisky or beer tasting before we kick up our kilts at the ceilidh.

Sunday morning following breakfast we'll bid adieu until we meet two years hence at the 2021 Clan MacAulay International Gathering.

Organiser Bill O'Reilly and the organising committee look forward to seeing you there!

MACAULAY SHINTY CUP 2018

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Kinlochshiel Win 2018 Artemis Macaulay Cup Final



Photo credit David B Hamilton (Secretary Macaulay Association)

Three first half goals were just enough to secure an Artemis Macaulay Cup success for Kinlochshiel as they beat Kyles Athletic 3-2 in the final at Mossfield on Saturday 18 September 2018.

Source: Camanachd Association

The Macaulay Association Camanachd Cup is a trophy in the Scottish sport of shinty. It is competed for by the eight highest-placed league teams from the north and south areas of Scotland at the end of the previous season.

The first winner of the cup, in 1947, was Newtonmore. It is one of the five trophies considered to be part of the Grand Slam in the sport of shinty.

The MacAulay Cup was first presented in 1947 by Flora Macaulay, then editor of *The Oban Times* newspaper. The competition, unique in the sport is run under the auspices of the Camanachd Association.

Source: Wikipedia



Submitted by
Doug Doughty,
Commissioner,
Central Canada

UXBRIDGE SCOTTISH FESTIVAL



Chieftain and High Commissioner for
Canada Bud MacAulay Lush with Doug

It was a bright Saturday morning in Uxbridge, Ontario on July 28, 2018. We arrived around 8 and began the day by setting up the clan tent in the avenue of the clans.

The day was full of fun, camaraderie, and all things Celtic. And of course, lots of pipes and drums.

There was a 'wee' shower in the day just after the calling of the clans, but while it dampened our hides, it certainly did dampen our spirits.

The little ones loved the chieftain's claymore; more than a few tried their best to hold it high, some with help, all with big smiles.

It was a great day sharing Scottish traditions and history and telling the tales of MacAulay lore.

FERGUS SCOTTISH FESTIVAL AND HIGHLAND GAMES

The games at Fergus, Ontario began on Friday, August 10. And what a festival it was. Three fun-filled days celebrating all things Celtic. The Chieftain of the Games was Baroness Miranda Van Lynden MacRae and the special guest was Graham MacTavish, whom you may know better as Dougal MacKenzie from Outlander. As such, the featured clans were MacRae and MacTavish.

The Heritage Village was impressive with 48 clans in the Avenue of the Clans, alongside the Jacobite encampment and a black smith. The heritage tent hosted a variety of lectures about Scottish history as well as whisky tastings. In the clan information tent you could research your genealogy or learn about spinning wool and weaving. Our Clan tent location was a great spot on the corner so we had a lot of visitors.

Friday's activities included setting up the tent. The Chieftain and High Commissioner of the Canadas Dr. Bud MacAulay Lush and his wife Tena Lush, Joan MacAulay and I were working hard in the sweltering heat to set it up.

On Friday night, there was ceremonial lighting of the hearth with the clans participating. An amazing fireworks display was followed by the Red Hot Chilli Pipers who brought their signature style of BAGROCK to the field. After the Red Hot Chilli Pipers finished there were more fireworks followed by a move from the main stage to the highland pub.

Saturday morning was a flurry of activity. We participated in the calling of the clans as part of the opening ceremonies. There were passports for the young, as well as the

young-at-heart, to promote a visit to each clan tent to get a stamp or a sticker. This brought lots of visitor to our tent giving us the chance to visit with both the children and the adults.

Several MacAulays stopped by and we asked if they knew if their families originated in Scotland or Ireland. Some people knew, and some didn't, so we pointed them to our International Clan Heritage Secretary who could help them with their DNA/genealogy questions (Sorry Lucas).

It was a great weekend and perhaps we may "Haste ye back" next year and stay for all three days. They bill the Fergus Scottish Festival and Highland Games as "Scotland without the airfare".



**Submitted by
Bill O'Reilly,
Commissioner,
Michigan**

ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY OF DETROIT HIGHLAND GAMES

The 169th Annual St. Andrew's Society of Detroit Highland Games, the longest continuous games in North America, took place on 4 August 2018.

Michigan Clan Commissioner Bill O'Reilly was on hand to represent Clan MacAulay in the Clans area of the festivities – approximately 35 clans were represented. This was the first known time our Clan was represented but it won't be the last. The games take place at the Historic Greenmead Park in suburban Livonia, Michigan.

A Ceilidh kicked things off Friday evening and then Saturday was filled with dozens of events from Pipe Band & Dance competitions to the Tug of War, Stone Put and Caber Toss. The 170th edition of the games will take place on 3 August 2019.

More information can be found at www.HighLandGames.com.



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article, click [here](#).

Photos will be
found in the
following pages. To
see *all 1000+*
pictures from the
Cape Breton
Gathering please
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credits: The
Incredible Maggie!



THE CAPE BRETON GATHERING

August 16th to 18th saw MacAulays (of all spellings) gather from across North America at Inverary Resort in Baddeck, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia. We were warmly welcomed by hosts Scott & Terry MacAulay and Matt & Tiffany MacAulay at Inverary Resort in beautiful Baddeck, Cape Breton.

We had a lot of activities over the three days but the main attraction was the chance to meet friends from past Gatherings and connect with new MacAulays from both Canada and the United States. There was lots of laughter, friendship and visiting. And we're very excited to welcome 15 new members to the Clan MacAulay Association.

After registration Thursday night saw the welcome meal at Lakeside Landing followed by our MacAulay Gatherers being split into teams for a rousing game of Scotland trivia.

After breakfast at Glasgow House our International Heritage Secretary Lucas McCaw joined us via webcam for a very interesting and informative discussion on DNA and its uses in genealogy. Then it was off touring to either The Highland Village or the Gaelic College. The Highland Village in Iona is a Village that starts in Scotland in the early 1700's through to the 1930's on Cape Breton Island. The Gaelic College included lessons in kilts, Scots Gaelic, weaving and great entertainment

And then ... the MacAulay Heavyish Games ... recorded for posterity by our fantastic photographer Maggie. We had such great participation that we only had time for three of the events ... haggis hurling, hammer for distance and the caber toss! Special thanks to Bud & Tena for creating the haggis and the hammer (no worries, it was made of nerf) and Neil for creating our caber (okay, it was PVC pipe, but it worked!).

We just had time for a wee dram before getting dressed in our tartans and kilts for the formal event. After being blown away by the talented Forrester Dancers accompanied by the musical duo of "The Michael C's" comprised of Michael Cavanaugh and Mike Campbell, Bud took centre stage as he beautifully inducted Commissioner for Atlantic Canada Matt MacAulay and Commissioner for Central Canada Doug Doughty. Bud then announced the winners of the MacAulay Heavyish Games. Congratulations to everyone who was game to give it a try and to our champions! The Winners are listed the Cape Breton Photo pages the follow.

After breakfast Saturday Neil and Ruthe led an intrepid group of hikers up to Uisge Ban Falls before joining the rest of the Gatherers to visit the impressive Alexander Graham Bell Museum. A sail on Bras d'Or Lake (or Loch Bras d'Or as Bud has renamed it!) was scheduled for the afternoon but alas it poured rain. So a lengthy lunch was followed by much-needed naps to get ready for our final evening ... the Cape Breton Kitchen Party (ceilidh) at Scott and Terry's home, complete with a roasted pig, fabulous food and even a MacAulay cake! It was an incredible amount of fun being with everyone for one last night. It was a great kitchen party with fabulous music and lots of singing and visiting.

So that's it from the
Clan MacAulay Canada
Gathering in Cape
Breton. It was
wonderful seeing old
friends and making
new friends from
across Canada and the
United States. See you
next year in Aviemore!

*Chieftain and High
Commissioner of Clan
MacAulay of the Canadas
Dr. Bud MacAulay Lush and
First Lady Tena Lush*



The Cape Breton Gathering ... in photos!

Photos by Maggie B and various MacAulays!



Inverary Resort in Baddeck all decked out to greet the MacAulays!



Touring the Highland Village



John & Beth at the 'Loch' Bras d'Or Lookout

*The MacAulay Heavy (ish) Games Commence
Haggis Hurling, Hammer for Distance and the Caber Toss*



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It's all fun and games until the caber breaks!

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Photos of the Formal Banquet by Maggie B and various MacAulays!



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(L-R): Bill O'Reilly, Comm. Michigan; Bob Macauley, Comm. So. Missouri, Host Scott MacAulay; Bud MacAulay Lush, Chieftain and High Commissioner, Canada; Joan MacAulay, Comm. Western Canada, Doug Doughty, Comm. Central Canada, Matt MacAulay, Comm. Atlantic Canada



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MacAulay Heavyish Games Haggis Hurling Champions!
(L-R) Rachel on behalf of Becky (3rd); Barbara (1st), Bud and Katieka (2nd)



MacAulay Heavyish Games Haggis Hurling Champions!
(L-R) Campbell (2nd); Daniel (1st), Bud and Doug (3rd)



MacAulay Heavyish Games Hammer for Distance Champions!
(L-R) Shari (3rd); Katieka (1st), Bud and Geri (2nd)



MacAulay Heavyish Games Hammer for Distance Champions!
(L-R) Daniel (2nd); Campbell (1st), Bud and James (3rd)



MacAulay Heavyish Games Cabre Toss Champions!
A talented group!

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Shari on the Uisge Ban Falls Hike



Doug overlooking Bras d'Or Lake
(or Loch Bras d'Or as Bud calls it)
outside the Alexander Graham
Bell Museum



Doug, Bud and Tena getting primed for the Cape Breton Kitchen Party (ceilidh)



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Our host Scott,
incomparable
recruiter!



Why yes! This is
what 15 new
MacAulay
membership
applications
look like!



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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