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THE JOHNSTONES OF ANNANDALE
By The Honourable Archibald Hynd Johnston

Noble their genealogy, aristocratic and suffuse,
Viking is their lineage, liege, without fail:
Kin to the Conqueror, and his cousin the Bruce
Are the Johnstones, the Gentile Johnstones, the Johnstones of Annandale.

Close guarded by marsh, surrounded by venerable oak,
Rose the lofty towers of stately Lochwood, sturdy and hale,
The noblest of castles, of which Border folk spoke;
Was the Seat of the Johnstones, the Johnstones, Lords of Annandale.



With turbulent Armstrong, thieving Elliot, rude Scot and conniving Graham,
Masters of saddle and trail, against whom Sassenach guile was of little avail.
Superb too were the Johnstones, who greeted danger with disdain;
For peerless border reivers were the Johnstones, the Johnstones of Annandale.

Conscious of the Gordons' ill grace, authors of the Maxwells' dismal disgrace;
Oblivious to terrain, peril and pain; through corrie, swale and indistinct trail,
Ready, aye ready, they garnered their quarrie, returning without trace;
Reivers were the Johnstones, the Gentile Johnstones, the Johnstones of Annandale

Close to Hartfell, deep in that awesome cavern's dark floor,
Where springs the River Annan, the queen of the vale.
There in the Devil's Beef Tub, the reivers' safe store,
Penned were the cattle, reived by the Johnstones, the Johnstones of Annandale.

Proclaimed Wardens of the Border by Royal Proclamation;
Not blemished is their escutcheon, unsullied is their name;
Exemplary their service, undeserving of blame. Acclaimed by the Nation,
Are the Johnstones, the Gentle Johnstone, the Johnstones of Annandale.

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Winter Spur & Phoenix

I am in the process of selling my home and do not know where I will be for the next deadline so so please send articles & photos to my daughter, Dee Johnston, 5285 Manchester Dr. Apt. 310, Maple Plain, MN 55359 or email them to DeeLJohnston@mchsi.com

**Next Newsletter Deadline
November 5, 2005**

My house has not sold yet so I am still in limbo. I found it takes longer than I imagined. Please continue to send articles and photos to Dee Johnston. See notice below.

Jackie Johnston, Editor

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Presidents Report

Dear CJA members,

September! As the summer season draws to a close, I hope that it has been enjoyable for all of you and that you are looking forward to an equally pleasant autumn.

In my June President's message, I mentioned my strong belief that new leadership is essential to any organization. It is now time for me to pass the torch to a new presidency. During my two years as President of Clan Johnston/e in America our organization has been able to achieve a number of goals:

- At the 2003 Annual General Meeting the Membership voted to merge the original Pennsylvania non-profit corporation into a newly formed New York not-for-profit corporation that had received tax exemption as an educational organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. The Certificate of Merger was filed by the New York Department of State, following the consent of the New York Attorney General and a Court Order approving the merger. Appropriate legal papers were also filed in Pennsylvania, which cleared the merger.
- The Clan Johnston/e in America Website was completely revamped. CJA then moved its web site to a web hosting organization that only serves nonprofit organizations. This has resulted in considerable savings.
- The *Spur & Phoenix* received a new look and format under the direction of Newsletter Editor Jackie Johnston. The newsletter now has more historical and genealogical content.
- CJA received a sales tax exemption that has saved printing costs, and a nonprofit postal exemption that has reduced our postage costs. The practice of placing the membership number and the date when each membership expires on the address label has helped the timely payment of dues. Having the U.S. Postal Service track address changes has improved the accuracy of our membership records.
- CJA has also had the first dues increase since it was established nearly three decades ago. This has helped to keep pace with inflation and keep the organization financially solid. The increase is effective October 2005.

I give thanks to everyone who helped to make these accomplishments possible.

CJA still faces a number of challenges going forward. Our By-Laws need to be revised to conform to New York state law. Our Section 501(c)(3) status requires continuing compliance with state and federal regulations. We need to increase CJA's membership and its visibility at Scottish Games and festivals. Our web site needs to stay interesting and informative to our members and prospective members. Most of all, CJA needs to live up to its mandate as an educational organization.

I hope that you will give your complete support to the new president. CJA is what we all make it. Please be sure to renew your membership and give CJA any address change.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your President.

Jeffrey M. Johnstone

*New members
list submitted by
Dennis Watts.*



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A hundred thousand welcomes to our new members!

Mr./Mrs. Lisa & Thomas Bounono, Nashua, NH
Ms. Alice C, Brin, Southhampton, MA
Ms. Kathryn Carson, Asheville, NC
Ms. Cheri Dosh, Aurora, CO
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Editor's Notes

by Jackie Johnston

I would like to thank all of those members who sent in photos and reports of the games this summer. This is an important part of CJA and it is good to see the reports from the US and Canada. We can put more in the Winter issue for those games that are in the Fall. (See notice on page 2 for where to send articles and photos.)

I did get a few emails pointing out some errors in the last newsletter. No, it is not the proof reader's fault. It was mine. Here are some corrections.

CJA is approaching its 30th Anniversary, not the 25th. All I had to do was the math. Duh!

In William Bailey's article on CJA, the title Bart was to follow Sir Thomas A. Johnston III. I did not know that Bart is an abbreviation for the title of Baronet. Bart Johnston was not on the first Council.

The name of one of the AGM Committee members is spelled wrong, it is Jayne Dockman, not Dockham. Sorry Jayne.

I did not report the Quechee Festival in Vermont that was August 27th. It was not posted on the CJA website and that is where I got my information. If CJA is going to be represented at any games, fairs, festivals, etc. please contact Will Johnstone, our webmaster with the information. wjohnstone@earthlink.net

In the welcome to new members section, it should have read Mr. and Mrs. John Kilgore, not Johns Kilgore.

In the Youth Page, the second sentence should read "So, it has never" rather than "So has never."

Thank you to those who pointed out the errors. It means people are reading the S & P. That's great!

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I am looking for a CD of Scottish graphics to use for CJA publications. Does anyone know of a good one? If so, email Dee with the information. [DeeLJohnston@mchsi.com](mailto:DeeLJohnston@mchsi.com) They need to be able to be used in the newsletter without copyright infringements.

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Last issue, we featured members Andrew Dodd and this issue, we are featuring Sen. Archibald Johnstone. These were sent in by other members. It is good to recognize the accomplishments of our members. If you know of a member you think should be featured, send in an article. We enjoy reading about our members.

Letters to the Editor

The article in the Summer Newsletter by Rich Johnston pointed out the importance of the Scots-Irish as our early ancestors. Mine came from Augusta County, Virginia before 1800. An excellent website is: *Chronicles of the Scotch-Irish Settlement of Virginia* by Lyman Chalkley.

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~chalkley>

What can we do to have our newsletters include more information on Northern Ireland, as well as Scotland?

Dan Johnson
Apple Valley, CA

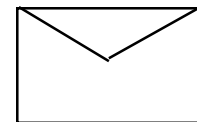
(Editor's note: We are always looking for articles of interest to our readers. Our articles come from our members so if you have information on this topic that you would like to share with our members, please send an article. Articles 500 words or less with a photo are best but they can be without the photo if you don't have one and the article can be a little larger in that case.

Johnsons

We received a letter from Bill C. Johnson commenting on articles and information that he felt was lacking on the Johnson name and the Scots-Irish Johnsons, Johnstons and Johnstones. Thank you Bill for bringing it to our attention. We hope some articles in this issue will be of help.

We always welcome comments and information from our members.

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## Dues Reminder

The 2006 membership dues begin October 1st. By now you should have received the new remittance envelopes in the mail with your renewal letter. The remittance envelope replaces the old registration form so be sure to fill it out. We hope this is an added convenience to our members. The new rates are posted on the envelope. You can also renew online at [www.clanjohnston.org](http://www.clanjohnston.org) using PayPal.

Canadian members should send their dues to Carol Koeslag. See Carol's article on this in the Canada News reports.

## Flowers of the Forest

Robert C. Johnston

Rob Johnston of Port Angeles, WA, was born March 2, 1938, and passed away August 13, 2005.

Rob served CJA as State Commissioner for Washington, Northwest Regional Commissioner in the US, and interim Commissioner for Western Canada. Before his failing health intervened, Rob hosted the CJA tent at the SSHGA games in Enumclaw, WA every July for many years. Rob recruited many to serve in CJA and was well loved by family and friends.

Rob served in the US Army as a Ranger. Before he retired Rob was a substance abuse counselor, helping others to turn their lives around. As a hobby, Rob carved authentic half-hull models of historic boats or small ships, mounting and framing them for display.

Rob is survived by his wife Jeannie and two brothers, Kerry and Keith.



Robert Johnston



Donald Johnston

Our sympathies to Arthur Johnston and his family, on the loss of his brother, Donald on Aug. 14.



## Genealogy Corner

By Barbara Hockman

Johns(t)ons can be found among those fighting for freedom in any country in which they have settled. Following are several military databases that can be accessed without a fee. Happy hunting!

Is one of the following possibly one of your ancestors. Visit [www.distantcousin.com](http://www.distantcousin.com) and check out what they did that qualified them for the Medal of Honor.

### Civil War Medal of Honor Winners

|                      |                       |
|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Johnson, Andrew      | b. Delaware Co., OH   |
| Johnson, Follett     | b. St. Lawrence, NY   |
| Johnson, Joseph E.   | b. Montgomery Co., PA |
| Johnson, Ruel M.     |                       |
| Johnson, Samuel      | b. Fayette Co., PA    |
| Johnson, Wallace W.  | b. Newfield, NY       |
| Johnston, David      | b. Indiana Co., PA    |
| Johnston, William P. | b. Chicago, IL        |
| Johnston, Willie     | b. Morristown, NY     |

Wondering if your Pennsylvania ancestors served in the military? Check out [www.digitalarchives.state.pa.us](http://www.digitalarchives.state.pa.us). The following archives are available online at this sight.

PA National Guard Veterans' Card File, 1867-1921  
Civil War Veterans' Card File, 1861-1866  
Mexican Border Campaign Veterans' Card File  
World War I Service Medal Application Cards  
Spanish American War Veterans' Card File of United States Volunteers  
Revolutionary War Military Abstract Card File  
Militia Officers Index Cards, 1775-1800

You can find lots of Johns(t)ons at [www.valeforgemusterroll.org](http://www.valeforgemusterroll.org).

Be sure to check out the Johns(t)ons buried in National Cemeteries at [www.cem.va.gov/indes.htm](http://www.cem.va.gov/indes.htm).

## Scots-Irish Johnstons of Wayne County, Kentucky

Dan Johnson

The Summer 2005 newsletter included articles by Rich Johnston and Carol Koeslag on their Scots-Irish Johnstons. Note that if your Johnstons arrived prior to the American Revolutionary War, they were probably Scots-Irish and Presbyterian. Thousands of Ulster immigrants landed in Pennsylvania. As described by Waddell 1902, they wished to escape England's state church. Some, such as my wife's Patterson ancestors later migrated west. My Johnstons went to join the many other Scots-Irish in Augusta County, Virginia.

These Ulster Scots were therefore enthusiastic supporters of the Revolution and it was noted that General Anthony Wayne's brigade was composed almost exclusively of refugees from Ulster. After the Revolution, many including my Johnstons, moved west through the Cumberland Gap to settle Wayne County, Kentucky, named for the general for whom so many Scots-Irish had fought.

The following data on early Wayne County Johnstons (& Johnsons) is intended to help others find their Johnston kin.

From Marriage Records of Wayne County, 1801-1860 by June Bork, 1972

1. Johnson, Francis A and Anny Cain, 1828
2. Johnson, George and Nancy Upton, 1824
3. Johnson, George W. and Eliza Corder, 1861
4. Johnson, James and Hannah Tucker, 1819
5. Johnson, James and Albina Jane Asay, 1857
6. Johnson, Joseph and Jane Corder, 1860
7. Johnson, Peter and Peggy Black, 1823
8. Johnson, Peter and Emily Burton, 1833
9. Johnson, Pleasant S and Polly Hinds, 1816
10. Johnson, Reuben and Martha Hall, 1805
11. Johnson, Robert and (name missing), 1818
12. Johnson, Samuel and Rachel Smith, 1805
13. Johnson, James and Mary Ingram, 1805
14. Johnson, Washington and Nancy Thompson, 1828
15. Johnson, Wesley and Lucy F. Rousseau, 1840
16. Johnson, William and Ritter Hammonds, 1802
17. Johnson, William and Bina Cox, 1819
18. Johnson, Williamson and Sally Pate, 1843
19. Johnson, William and Jane Allen, 1853
20. Duffey, John and Margaret Johnston, 1809
21. Dunagan, James and Patsey "Katy" Johnson, 1818
22. Fry, Michael and Susanna Johnson, 1809
23. Fry, Peter and Nancy Johnson, 1804

My ancestors from the list were Sam and Rachel Johnston, married in 1805. I have traced the line to my father. As described in the Spur and Phoenix of June 2001, their son James, his wife Nancy and eight children settled in the vicinity of Prestonville/Carrolton, Kentucky where many are buried at the Cove Hill Cemetery.



The records suggest that Sam's father was James Sr., first corner of Wayne County. James' children were:

1. Sam Johnston, married Rachel Smith in 1805
2. James Jr., married Mary Ingram in 1805
3. Nancy, married Peter Fry in 1804 (later to Clark Co.)
4. Susanna, married Michael Fry in 1809 (later to Harrison Co.)
5. Mary ?
6. William?

Wayne County neighbor, Capt. Thomas Johnston who married Hanna Ingram in 1786 is probably related to James Sr. but that is not yet proven. Thomas and Hanna's children included:

1. Margaret, married John Duffy in 1809
2. Elizabeth, married William Adams in 1802

The Johnston's Wayne Co. neighbors including, Alex McFarland, Ingrams, Coffees, Frys and Skaggs all originated from Augusta County. See *Chronicles of the Scotch-Irish Settlement of Virginia* by Lyman Chalkley. <http://www.rootsweb.com/~chalkley>.

I welcome sharing data with any readers with Johnston roots from Wayne or Carroll counties of Kentucky. Write to me at [dnajohnson1@msn.com](mailto:dnajohnson1@msn.com)

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Searching For The Dash

by Jackie Johnston

What is the dash you say?

It is between birth and the last day.

It is the story of a life,

An occupation, children, a wife.

How did they meet and where did they go?

How many generations did they sow?

Sometimes they whisper in my ear,

Not over there, look over here.

With each puzzle solved I find it great fun.

I don't think it possible to ever be done.

History and Genealogy of the Johnston/es of Poldean

By Jeffrey M. Johnstone

South of the town of Moffat, Scotland, on the old Carlisle Road in Wamphray Parish, Dumfriesshire, is a 2,000-acre hill farm known as Poldean. The Johnston/es of Poldean have played an important role in the history of the Clan. The first Johnston/es of Poldean were named Herbert. According to legend, the first Herbert was the son of the Johnston/e Chief. Supposedly, Herbert and his brother Matthew took Lochmaben castle from its commander by stealth in August 1454. However, it has never been proven that the progenitor of the Poldean Johnston/es was the son of the Chief.

The next Herbert possessed Poldean and had died by 1496, when his widow, Elspeth Carruthers, who had married William Jardine of Applegirth, sued Simon Johnston/e, her son, over the possession of Poldean. Subsequent Johnston/es in this line are sometimes styled “of” Poldean, and sometimes “in” Poldean. Normally, “of” denotes the heritable proprietor of a farm or other property, while “in” denotes a tenant.

Simon’s sons were another Herbert Johnston/e of Poldean, Thomas Johnston/e of Craigieburn, and Gilbert Johnston/e of Corehead. The next generation included John Johnston/e of Poldean, who had three daughters, and Thomas Johnston/e in Poldean, who had died by 1594. When the Clan of Johnston/e agreed in 1578 to submit all their disputes to 12 arbiters, among the 12 were Thomas Johnston/e in Poldean, his uncle Thomas Johnston/e of Craigieburn, and another relative, Robert Johnston/e in Newton. Members of the Poldean branch served as domestic servants of the Chief, and also were reivers who were members of the notorious Old Gang of Wamphray.

In the middle of the 16th Century, members of the Poldean branch of Johnston/es began to spread into Moffat Parish. In 1550 Thomas Johnston/e of Craigieburn purchased Granton, Newton and Corehead, farms between the town of Moffat and the Devil’s Beefub to the north that had formerly been owned by members of the Moffat clan. In 1567, Johnston/es who were part of the Poldean branch were implicated in the murder of Robert Moffat, Chief of that clan. Johnston/es also surrounded and set fire to a building in which the leading members of the Moffat clan had gathered, and slaughtered those who tried to escape. By 1560, the Johnston/es had effectively suppressed the Moffat Clan and rendered it leaderless.

Thomas Johnston/e in Poldean had two sons. His elder son, Ninian, became “of” Poldean when he married his cousin Janet, the daughter of his uncle John; Ninian was recognized as the heir to his grandfather Herbert in 1606. The second son of Thomas was James Johnston/e of Willies, Stenrishill and Granton. Both Ninian and James fought at the Battle of Dryfe Sands in 1593, when the Johnston/es defeated a superior force of Maxwells. Several other members of the Poldean branch were also participants at Dryfe Sands.

Ninian and James, who were at the Battle of Dryfe Sands, have living descendants today. Christopher Johnston VI of Greensboro, North Carolina, a Life Member of Clan Johnston/e in America, is 10th in descent from Ninian Johnston/e of Poldean, through Ninian’s fourth son, John. Esme Johnstone, proprietor the Chateau de Sours vineyards, Bordeaux, France, is 10th in descent from James. It is quite remarkable for a person to be able to document such ancestry.

The eldest son of Ninian Johnston/e of Poldean was Ambrose Johnston/e, who died in 1644. There is a record of a stone built into the farm house at Poldean the coats of arms of Ambrose Johnston/e of Poldean and shows a saltire, three cushions in chief, and a heart in base. It is possible that the heart on the Poldean arms is intended to commemorate the role of an ancestor in defeating the Black Douglases.

The Johnston/e family finally sold Poldean in 1748 to pay off debt.



Prehistoric standing stone near Poldean.



Johnstons Gather in Michigan to Honor Pioneer Ancestors

By Bart Johnston

Tom and Lucy Johnston, my great-grandparents, died during the Great Depression. Their second son (my grandfather), T. Ben Johnston, was already paying the taxes on his parents' house, his brother's farm and his father's-in-law farm and could not afford a headstone for them. The graves remained unmarked for 73 years. I discovered this fact while visiting the family plot in Hillman, Michigan in the 1980s and resolved to do something about it.



Last fall I ordered a stone and visited my father's cousin, Dorothy Smart, the last surviving grandchild of Tom and Lucy. Dorothy provided me with the names and addresses of most of the family members I did not know. That Christmas, in a special card depicting a Union soldier cooking Christmas dinner, my wife, Lee, and I invited the whole family to help participate in the purchase of the stone and attend a dedication ceremony. This became the first family reunion in my lifetime. Two photos of Tom and Lucy's portraits ca. 1890 were enclosed for those members that never knew what they looked like.

I invited the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War from Alpena, Michigan, for Tom was a Canadian who joined the Yankee Cavalry when he was 15 and grew to manhood in the Army of the Potomac. The Sons dedicated the stone with the original 1913 GAR ceremony. Tom was buried with full military honors in 1932 as the last surviving Civil War Vet in the county and it was also appropriate to invite the VFW as honor guard. Tom was proud to be a Scot and raised his children with that pride. Our piper, John Meek, piped the procession in and played 'Flowers of the Forest' along with the bugler's 'Taps'.

The stone was expertly carved and adorned with the cavalry saber and claymore and flanked with the Union cavalry guidon and the Union Jack which was the flag of Canada as Tom and Lucy grew up.

To begin the ceremony I told of the lives and families of Tom and his wife, Lucy Kilborn, to the nearly 100 people in attendance. The Kilborns came to Conn. in 1634 to farm and fought in all the colonial wars, finally leaving for Canada 150 years later during the Revolution to "Breathe the King's good clean air". I also told of the Johnston Clan, the Border Ballad "The Lads o' Wamphray" and the Battle of Dryfe Sands and how Tom epitomized the tough Borderer as a cavalry trooper, sheriff, farmer and veterinarian.



After the ceremony I was interviewed by two TV film crews, as was our CJA Canadian Genealogist Joe Johnston, who is also a cousin. We then returned to the VFW Hall for lunch and a good talk about our branch of the Clan by Cousin Joe. (Continued on page

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At the bottom of the stone is a verse from ‘The Lads o’ Wamphray’ which Tom must have sung or read as a child in the log cabin in Canada. It is the story of a Johnston, “the Galliard”, who reived a horse from the Crichtons’ stable. The horse turned out to be blind and the Galliard was soon caught and hung. In retaliation the Lads reived a whole herd of Crichton cattle and killed all fifteen who came to retrieve the herd. This raid started the final Chapter of the Johnston-Maxwell feud in 1593 resulting in the Johnston victory at Dryfe Sands.

“And when they came to the Biddes-strand,
The Crichtons they were hard at hand,
But when they came to the Biddes-law,
The Johnstons bade them stand and draw.”

Family attended from CT, NH, VT, OH, MI, IL, CA, and Canada. Much of the family gathered again in the afternoon, evening and the next day renewing friendships and making new ones. It was so successful that some are talking about having another reunion in Michigan within the next couple of years.



Bart Johnston & John Meek



Bart Johnston with Union Veterans of the Civil War.



Reminder
If you cannot attend the AGM on
September 23,24,& 25th,
please send in your Proxie card.
Remember to sign it.

GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN GAMES

*By Bill Grindstaff
Asheville, North Carolina*

The weather was BEAUTIFUL (after Tropical Storm Cindy got finished on Thursday) this year and the Saturday crowd was huge. Sunday wasn't as large as Saturday, but still a good showing. The Parade of Tartans was very large and took over an hour. Twelve of us marched for Clan Johnston/e with a Johnston/e tartan banner and two Johnston/e tartan flags - as good as any showing of Johnston/es at Grandfather.

Photos by Bill Grindstaff



Clan Johnston/e in America at the Grandfather Mountain Games.



KENTUCKY SCOTTISH WEEKEND

By Melissa Johnston Molnar

The Kentucky Scottish Weekend was May 13 -15, 2005. This is one of my favorite games. The atmosphere is one of a country festival and a family reunion thrown in. It is so good to see friends and catch up on what they have done for the last year. Everything is accessible, athletics, entertainers, vendors, and clans.

Alex Beaton was back again and in fine voice. He was joined by Margaret Gravitt. The Glengarry Boys from Glengarry, Ontario, with each taking turns to entertain us. The music heard around the games was wonderful.

This year we had a very good turnout at the Johnston/e table. There were some old faces and some new. A surprise for me was a couple from my hometown in Ohio. Neither of us expected to see the other. We had a great time catching up and comparing notes on the games.

Johnston/e descendants had a very good day at the games. In the youngest category of highland dancing, the 6 year old son of Joe Kindoll, took 1st and 2nd place in separate dances .

John Holland, of Piqua, OH, was piper of the day. He claims his Johnston/e heritage through his mother.

I urge all of you to come join us at these games. There is something for everyone.



Shelly & Bill Grindstaff



Minnesota

by Dee Lorilee Johnston

We had another successful year at the **Minnesota Scottish Fair & Highland Games**.

The weather, while quite warm, was bearable thanks to the steady breeze. All who stopped by our booth came to enjoy the day. We had many visitors from several clans. I am happy to say that we found several more Johnstons as well! Among those who registered as guests were a few that chose to join Clan Johnston/e in America (CJA). A heartfelt welcome to our new members, Lea Jackson and Alison A Madson!

Thank you to **all** who participated in the Parade of Tartans!

I would like to thank our wonderful volunteers. **Earle & Sharon Maynard**, who staffed the booth during mid-day. **Nick Johnston**, our Representative to the Minnesota Coalition of Scottish Clans, who was there most of the morning after helping us set up and then went on to represent us as a volunteer at the MCSC tent as well.

A special thanks goes to my parents, **Jackie Johnston**, Editor of the CJA newsletter *Spur & Phoenix*, and **Dennis Johnston**, former CJA Commissioner for the State of Minnesota. They supplied nearly all the materials for the tent, including the tent. They were there to set up early in the morning and to take down at the end of the day. And they volunteered their time to be in the tent most of the day. They were the ones that trained me on how to best represent our Clan and to show our colors with pride!

Thanks to the work of all these volunteers, I am happy to announce that Clan Johnston/e has won the **“Best Clan Tent Award”**! That honor goes to the clan who best represents their clan by the look of their tent and the way they interact with the public. This is the third year we have won first place. (A record for the Minnesota Coalition of Scottish Clans!) I am very proud of the work that we did together to make this such a successful event! You have made my first event as CJA Commissioner for MN a memorable one!



E.J. Johnston, Earl Maynard, Micah, Dee, & Nick Johnston, Sharon Maynard, Dennis & Jackie Johnston



Past CJA Commissioner, Dennis
New MN Commissioner, Dee
MN Rep to MCSC, Nick
S & P Editor, Jackie

MN Coalition of Scottish Clans
President, Jack MacMillan.
'04 winner, Ron Kincaid,
Dee Johnston (Ron is also a
Johnston. This is a good start
for the new plaque!)



Parade of Tartans marchers, Micah & Nick Johnston, Earl Maynard, E.J. Johnston, Dee Johnston, Sharon Maynard, Alison Madson, & Dennis Johnston.



Canadian Reports

By Carol Koeslag

SUMMER GAMES IN MID & EASTERN CANADA

Sunny Skies, cool breeze, high-stepping dancers and the skirl of the pipes - if you are at a Highland Games event and you're Scottish, life doesn't get much better. Now if you are the spouse of a Scot, you might have a slightly different opinion! I am so thankful that my spouse Peter, even though he has a Dutch surname, had a born-in-Scotland maternal grandmother, *says* he quite enjoys all the Games we attend. The summer of 2005 has been a real proof of his interest as he and I have hosted Clan Johnston tents at Cobourg, Maxville, and Fergus, Ontario as well as Antigonish, Nova Scotia.. Victoria Johnston Dorricott hosted the tent in Uxbridge, Ontario

That's a lot of drumming and piping we enjoyed and a wonderful lot of Johnston/es we visited with and introduced to Clan Johnston/e in America!

We met a number of old friends from other Clans and had quite a lot of visitors to the tent at the **Cobourg Highland Games** on July 2, including six Johnston/es or relatives of Johnstons. It was a grand summer day and the trees provided welcome shade for our tent from the hot sun. I proudly carried the Johnston/e banner in a short parade at the Game site.

Victoria Johnston Dorricott hosted the CJA tent at the **North Durham Games** held in Uxbridge, Ontario on July 23rd. Eight Johnston/es or affiliates visited the tent.

Unlike the 2004 **Glengarry Games** at Maxville which was almost washed out by rain, this year had an absolutely perfect day on July 30th. I can only guess, but certainly many thousands of people attended the Friday-Saturday event and enjoyed the North American Pipe Band Championships not to mention the World's Invitational and Canadian Scottish Heavyweight Championship.

Our tent attracted a number of visitors which included eight Johnston/es. It was good to see Carol Ann Arcand and her husband. Carol Ann had joined CJA after the 2004 Glengarry Games and I believe she is the first Canadian member to pay her 2005-6 membership!

The focus of our Eastern Canada holiday was to attend the 142nd **Antigonish Highland Games**, in Nova Scotia on July 15 & 15th. It is the oldest continuous Highland Games in the world outside of Scotland. I must admit that the weather was most Scottish with cold wind and Scottish mist (unlike the rest of Canada) for most of the three days we were there. I was glad I could wear wool socks and a kilt! Twelve other Clans were represented under one very large tent and it was interesting to meet their representatives.

The main attraction at Antigonish was the five day Scot Dance Canadian Championship so there were many hundreds of attendees from across Canada. It was especially interesting for us to discover that one of our own Johnston's - 10 year old Emma, was representing British Columbia in competition. Peter and I had time to enjoy watching the amazing Heavies competition. Often our tent hosting prevents us from seeing the Game events.



Glenn, Emma & Bill Johnston with Carol Koeslag at the Antigonish Games, July, 13, 2005. Bill with Carol, (below).



We had a big surprise with the visit from Bill Johnston and his wife Nancy, his son Glenn and Glenn's daughter Emma from British Columbia. We shared hugs This was the same Bill I had tried to meet

in Victoria in March and now we had finally connected at the other side of the country! It was grand having Bill help carry the Johnston banner in the Clan parade.

I will report on the Fergus Games held in August at a later date.

CANADA GAMES SALUTE VETERANS

Canada is celebrating the Year of the Veteran in 2005. The games proudly saluted the Stormont, Dundas Glengarry Highlanders Regiment, which wears the Macdonnell of Glengarry tartan. With its roots reaching back before the War of 1812, the Highlanders have fought for Canada in the 1837 Rebellion, Fenian Raids, Boer War and in WWI and received 24 decorations and six battle honors. The Highlanders went overseas in 1940 and fought across France into Holland.

CANADA MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

The 2004 AGM passed an increase in membership rates beginning in 2005. Until that time, there had been a USA rate and a Canadian rate which was higher due to the difference in the Canadian and US dollar. With the fluctuating Canadian dollar and its higher value for the past months and perhaps for future months, I suggested to the Council, that in all fairness to Canadian CJA members, that an equivalent value be stated rather than a set amount. That has been printed on Canadian applications being distributed at the Canadian Games.

For Canadian membership renewals, please submit the equivalent to the US funds in Canadian dollars, and make them payable to me, Carol Koeslag, which I will then deposit and will mail one cheque to the treasurer. A \$5 fee is charged for each Canadian cheque to the CJA accounts, so it was decided that I should collect the funds and send in one cheque to the CJA treasurer.

I will also forward your membership renewal form to the Registrar. The label on your S & P indicates the year you have paid. Some Canadian Life member's labels have shown a paid year rather than Life but this is being corrected.

TARTAN DAY

I had certainly heard of Tartan Day on April 6th but hadn't realized that it originated in Nova Scotia on March 5, 1986 through efforts of the Fed. Scot. Clans N.S., and Mrs. Jean MacKaracher Watson in particular. April 6th signifies the signing of the Declaration of Arbroath in 1320, which states in part. "It is for truth not glory, not riches, not honours that we are fighting, but for freedom – for that alone, which no honest man gives up but with life itself..." This relates to the 36 years of humiliation when the Scots were deprived of their land, language, music and tartans. Thousands of Scots left their homeland, many in duress to emigrate to the colonies. The national celebration of Tartan Day is to recognize the heroic effort our forefathers contributed to the founding of their new homelands.

NOVA SCOTIA NOTES

The International Gathering of the Clans will be held in Nova Scotia in the year 2007. The Federation of Scottish Clans of Nova Scotia will have a leading role in this undertaking on behalf of all Scots both at home and abroad. To learn more, check out their web site at www.scotsns.chebucto.org.

You might want to start planning your 2007 holidays to take in the many events that summer.

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We saw and learned a great deal in Nova Scotia about our Scottish heritage. Even though I've traveled extensively in Scotland, I have never seen a town with so many Scottish names on its businesses as we did in Anigonish.

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Peter and I greatly enjoyed a visit to the harbor of Pictou, Nova Scotia, where the ship Hector arrived in 1773. This small ship carried 200 people, which is impossible to imagine. One passenger was a piper that the captain hadn't wanted to bring but later appreciated the calming effect he had on the homesick and seasick Scots. These were the first landed Scots in eastern Canada. The reconstructed Hector and Visitor Information Centre showing the ship's manifest were extremely informative and well worth a visit.

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Senator Archie Johnstone of Prince Edward Island is a CJA member and I wrote to him and two other Clan members, Dennis and Archibald Johnston who live in Nova Scotia, expressing my hope that they would all be able to attend Antigonish and present a Johnston/e presence as well as meeting them and learning more about the Eastern CJA members.

We traveled to Prince Edward Island enroute to Anigonish with great anticipation to meet The Honourable Archibald Johnstone and his delightful wife Phelicia. What a grand time we had sharing information and learning about their lives and interests, not to mention a wonderful lobster dinner at one of PEI's well know lobster dinner locations. Archie, as all other Johnston/es I've met, has a wonderful smile, twinkling eyes and loves a good joke. I would need two pages of fine print to share his life story memberships, and honours bestowed on him and his business connections. See a brief synopsis elsewhere in this issue of this highly respected man, not only in his local community, but in the Province and in Canada.

*Carol Koeslag*

## SEATTLE SCOTTISH HIGHLAND GAMES

By Lindsey Johnstone



Clan Johnston/e had 33 folks stop by the Clan tent at the Pacific Northwest Highland Games and Clan Gathering ([www.sshga.org](http://www.sshga.org)) held July 30 and 31 at King County Fairgrounds in Enumclaw, Washington.

In very un-typical Scottish weather (it was HOT!) the 20 to 30 thousand attendees at this event enjoyed some of the best in Scottish entertainment, dancing, piping and athletic events the Pacific Northwest. Featured performers were Colin Grant-Adams, Alex Beaton, Men of Worth, Wicked Tinkers, The Browne Sisters (with George Cavanaugh) and Tempest. New to the games this year was The Seattle Knights, whose performance included high-energy acting, and choreographed stage combat using real steel weapons including broadswords, axes, and staves.

Our clan tent was manned by yours truly, Dr. Jim Johnston and my son Rusty (sporting a new tattoo, of the Clan Johnston/e Crest!) and my daughter Anna. Thanks to all who stopped by and those who helped by staffing our Clan Johnston/e in America tent.

## Events Calendar Fall 2005

9/23-25/2005 30th Anniversary of the New Hampshire Highland Games  
Concord, NH

2005 Clan Johnston/e in America AGM e-mail: [Margot Johnston](mailto:Margot.Johnston@clanjohnston.org), 2005 AGM  
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of that perfect Christmas gift.  
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Pages for some great ideas!*



# THE HONOURABLE ARCHIBALD JOHNSTONE

*By Carol Koeslag*

Senator Johnstone was born in Burlington, Prince Edward Island, in 1924 to Lt. Col. Ernest W. Johnstone and his wife Jane. Following the first World War, Archie's father Ernest, returned from England, acquired property, which he named Woodleigh, (derived from the ancestral Johnstone home in Annandale, Scotland.) He wanted to recreate some of the colour and beauty of the gardens and parks he had enjoyed during his time in Great Britain. Archie was an important part of this work and helped plant 20,000 trees along with his siblings.

Archie joined the Royal Canadian Air Force and flew with a RAF Heavy Bomber Squadron in England during WWII and then returned home to attend the Nova Scotia Agricultural College. In 1946, his father began a program of erecting large-scale models of famous buildings found in Great Britain.

Archie was one of two Canadians to be awarded the Nuffield Traveling Scholarship in 1955 and focused his studies and attention on the business end of tourism. Consequently, what had begun as a dream of his father Ernest, had by 1958, developed into a world famous tourist attraction.

Archie and his wife Phelicia devoted their life to keeping Woodleigh as a beautiful destination. The replica buildings are furnished with priceless antique furniture from Britain, which Archie would bring home from buying expeditions.

They sold Woodleigh and Archie has turned his talents to developing another Prince Edward Island attraction, Rainbow Valley at Cavendish. His interests also included active involvement with schools, the Canadian Legion, Canadian Red Cross, the Federation of Agriculture, Heraldry Society of Scotland, Prince Edward Island Tourism and more. He has always promoted Prince Edward Island and Canada and remained true to his roots.

He was summoned by the Prime Minister in 1998, to the Senate of Canada where he served as Deputy Chair and Interim Chair of the Senate Committee on Veterans Affairs. He speaks of that time with fondness but also relates the intensity of the work.

He has been recognized with many honours by an appreciative province and country as a businessman, developer, and retired Senator, but also as an author who has published a delightful book of poetry. He is currently preparing a book about Lucy Maud Montgomery (author of *Ann of Green Gables*) for publication.

The Honourable Archibald Hynd Johnstone is a most delightful and friendly person and we are glad he is a part of Clan Johnstone in America.



The Honourable Archibald Johnstone at his home in Kensington, P.E.I., July 13, 2005.

## Book Review of *Born Fighting* by James Webb

By James K. Johnston

### ***Born Fighting – How the Scots-Irish Shaped America***

is an interesting book that offers a fresh perspective on the effect that immigrants of Scottish origin have had on the development of this great country. The author, James Webb, is a former Marine, past Secretary of the Navy and author of several other books. He traces the history and evolution of the unique culture of those who emigrated from Scotland and Northern England to Ireland and, subsequently to the U.S. He presents compelling evidence that they, and their descendants, have contributed more to development of our form of government than any other ethnic group. They were deeply religious, ready to fight at the slightest insult and committed to protecting family, clan and country at any cost. They contributed much by preserving their culture, and fighting to preserve our country through military service. Many of our great presidents were Scots-Irish, as were many great generals. Indeed, Webb makes the case that this would be a very different country had that hardy race of fiercely independent descendants of the early Scots not been driven from their adopted home land in Ireland to the new colonies and fledgling states in America.

It is a thoughtful book and well worth reading by any American, but especially meaningful to those of us who know ourselves to be related to those early settlers in some way. I learned much about my past and now better understand the people with whom I grew up. I urge you to read it.

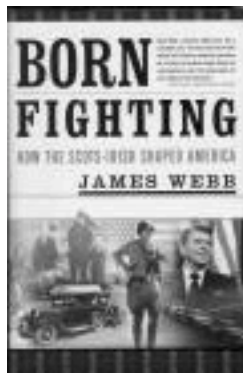
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### **Scots-Irish Information**

There is an interesting newsletter available called “The Ulster-Scot” free from an agency of the government of Ireland. You may subscribe by emailing a note to [info@ulsterscotsagency.org.uk](mailto:info@ulsterscotsagency.org.uk) or visit their web site at [www.ulsterscotsagency.com](http://www.ulsterscotsagency.com). They also have an excellent series of pamphlets about the Ulster-Scots (or Scots-Irish) in America. I received mine for the asking.

Clan Aye,

Jim Johnston



## The Ghost Town of Ayr, NC

By Steve Johnston

Most of you already know about Ayr, Scotland, the home of the poet Robert Burns. But did you know there was an Ayr, North Carolina?

According to the *North Carolina Gazetteer* (William S. Powell, UNC Press, 1968), the North Carolina Ayr was founded on the site of a Civil War era tannery by a Scotsman, Francis Reynolds. It was located in western Rutherford County, near what is now Lake Lure. The community of Ayr flourished from 1880, when a U.S. Post Office was established with Francis Reynolds' wife as Postmistress, until 1911, when the tannery closed as a result of the chestnut blight which dried up the tanbark supplies.

Francis Reynolds was the maternal uncle of my paternal grandfather, Thomas Andrew Johnston. My grandfather came with Francis and other members of his mother's family (grandparents, uncles and aunts, and cousins) to America in 1876, when he was nine years old. The Western North Carolina Grange recruited Francis to run the tannery, which had made saddles for the Confederate Army during the Civil War but had since lost its market. Within a couple of years the family bought the tannery, and a couple of years later named the community Ayr after their hometown in Scotland.

Pat and I visited Ayr several years ago with members of the Rutherford County Historical Society. We drove to the end of the paved portion of Bible School Road and hiked approximately 1/2 mile to the site. The old building that housed the Post Office and general store was still there but in poor condition, as were the footings of the tannery and the footings of several other buildings and houses. I'm glad we visited in April, because I suspect that Ayr could be nicknamed “Copperhead City” in the summer.

During this visit, I was given a copy of a newspaper article entitled “The Ghost Town of Ayr” which was written by feature columnist John Parrish and published in the *Asheville Citizen* in the mid-1950s. The article stated that “in its heyday, Ayr was the party capital of Western North Carolina”, and “nobody could party like those Scots could.” It went on to explain that visitors would travel many miles from the hills and mountains all around to party in Ayr during the weekends. The word “ceilidh” was never mentioned in the article, but I have to believe the visitors were participating in one. While it's sad that such an obviously wonderful place carrying on such a great Scottish tradition had to pass into history at such an early age, maybe it will reappear on occasion as our own version of Brigadoon.

# Clan Johnston/e in America

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# Youth Page

## “Football” Foul

By Billye Tellingner



By the time you receive this issue of the Spur and Phoenix, school will have already started (*I know, AAAUUGH!*), and all the fall sports should be in full swing. As you probably know, Soccer is the most popular sport in Scotland (indeed throughout the U.K.) ~ only they are quaint and call it, “football!” Or, maybe *we’re* quaint, and we should call our football “soccer!” But, we will not worry about all that. Instead here are some interesting facts about soccer in Scotland:

By the second half of the 1800’s, jobs brought the Scots crowding into the big cities. Only as they say, “All work and no play makes Jock a dull boy.” But what could these thousands of young men play? It *had* to be something in which they could beat the English. What better than “football”? It grew as the national sport of Scotland, though it had been around for hundreds of years.

- James IV’s parliament had banned football back in 1491 because it was a waste of time. The game had hardly any rules at all but it was a good excuse for a punch-up.
- In the 1500’s the men of the Borders played the first “internationals” between England and Scotland. They suffered more broken legs than a centipede under a steamroller!
- In 1568, Mary Queen of Scots, watched a match at Carlisle between 20 of her followers and a team of English soldiers. An English reporter said that the Scots had “more skilful players.”
- Sir Walter Scott enjoyed watching the holiday games in the Border towns. In Jedburgh, for example the men of the Upper Town (called the Uppies) played the men of the Lower Town (called the Doonies), watched by the usual mob of screaming fans (probably called the Loonies)!
- In 1599, six Scots of the cattle-thieving Armstrong clan crossed the border into England to play a six-a-side against a team of English boys in Bewcastle. However, an Englishman called Ridley decided to capture the Scottish cattle thieves while they were on English soil, and lay in wait on the road back to Scotland.

Somehow, the Armstrongs heard about the plot and 200 Scots rode down to the rescue and attacked Ridley’s force. They killed two and captured 30 of the English cheats. We don’t know the score of the game, but a report did describe the injuries in the fight after the match ... “Many were badly hurt, especially John Whitfield, whose bowels came out, but are sewed up again.”

### And the Winner is.....

Weel, laddies and lassies, maybe you were all outside playing ~ since there were only two entries in the Scotland Word Search from last issue. And, only one winner. The prize goes to Miranda Delay (see photo). Enjoy your \$10.00 prize, Miranda!

Answers for the locations within the word search are:  
Gretna Green, Iona, Inverness, Peebles, Moffat  
Edinburgh, Stirling, Skye, Mull, Lockerbie  
Dundee, and Alba ~ the ancient Celtic name for Scotland itself.



## Clan Johnston/e AGM 2005 September 23, 24 & 25, 2005

### A Reminder:

Daily or Weekend tickets for The NH Games, Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>, plus the Friday Tartan Dinner/Dance; Whisky Tasting, and other Games' events; are available May 25<sup>th</sup> @ 1-800-358-7268 or [www.nhscot.org](http://www.nhscot.org). *You are responsible for any Games Admission or Games' Event.* Weekend passes are \$25.00 if purchased before August 1<sup>st</sup>. If you get tickets at the gate, Saturday tickets alone are \$25.00 each. Tartan Dinner/Dance tickets are \$40.00.

**Note: The deadline has passed to book hotel rooms and weekend passes.**

The AGM Dinner and Meeting are Saturday Evening at 6:30 PM at the Cat N Fiddle Restaurant 1 ¼ miles from the hotels. Dinner tickets are \$35.00 per person *Please make check payable to and send to - Margot Johnston – PO Box 71 – Goffstown, NH 03045-0071*

The NH Games Office, 9 AM to 4 PM EST @ 603 229-1975 for info OR [www.nhscot.org](http://www.nhscot.org) to purchase your Games tickets on line.

If you plan on attending and wish further information or clarification, please call Margot @ 603 497-3281. She is available until 9 PM EST. - Email: Lucknbooth@aol.com



**Congratulations to the new CJA State Commissioner from Minnesota, Dee Johnston!**

Dee replaces her father, Dennis who is planning on a move to Wisconsin.

Send members address changes to: Dennis Watts, 240 Lexington Circle, Athens, GA 300605

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