



The **Spur and Phoenix** Spring 2010



Chief: The Right Honourable Earl of Amundale and Hartfell



NEW CLAN STANDARD INTRODUCED!

Our thanks go out to Greg Stone, Vermont State Commissioner, for designing a new clan standard which will be flown over our CJA tent at Quechee next year. The prototype was the Chief's Lochwood standard and modified for our use here in North America. It features the Canadian and U.S. symbols as well as arms of CJA, saltaire and red hawthorn. Greg is hard at work making a huge standard but will be happy to give directions for making one of three feet or so for your tent. You can contact him by email at: gstone@arcmech.com

The Devil's Beef Tub

by Karen Johnston Klein

I hope you can see Lord and Lady Johnston on their white horses and behind the stone wall are the Queen's horses (stolen of course) or maybe the Maxwell's horses. It is a lot of fun doing paintings that are part of our heritage. Hope you enjoy it. *(This is the third painting Karen has done on the Johnston/es of Scotland and this time, we can show you the newest in color!)*



Here is another beautiful banner sent to us from David Johnston of New Zealand. Many of the Clan Johnston/e members from down under read the Spur & Phoenix.

Thanks to all of our very talented Clan Johnston/e members for sharing their talents with us.

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From the Editor

* Please read the newsletter policies in the Winter 2006 issue for information on submitting articles. If you need a copy of the policies, email me. *Jackie*

* When sending photos with an article, please send them as attachments, in the body of an email or by mail. Photos from Word documents do not reproduce well.

**Next Newsletter Deadline
June 5, 2010**

President's Letter

Welcome to our new look newsletter. The color front page is an example of what the newsletter looks like for those who choose the email option. (See Jackie's article on how to get your whole newsletter in color via email.) I hope you like it. We have switched our printing and mail services to a single provider as noted elsewhere in this issue. Thanks to our Publications Committee, Jackie Johnston, Chairperson, for all the good work they've put into this effort!



Remember that as of our last issue, we are offering our newsletter electronically. We encourage you to sign up for the electronic version — it's more environmentally friendly, and it saves us money! Saving money is particularly important now that our membership is down by 60 people. We hope this drop in membership is only temporary. If you haven't renewed your membership in CJA, please do so ASAP. We would welcome your help in attracting new members. Also, if you know of members who've had a change in address or who have passed away, please let us know that too.

We have also launched a Facebook initiative. You might call it our "youth movement" — we're hoping it will help us to attract young folks (not just those of us who are "young at heart") into CJA. If you'd like to check it out, please contact our Secretary, Cathy Postier (dkhelmo@ncia.net). Thanks to Cathy for leading this initiative!

The Highland Games season will very soon be in full fling. I hope you have one nearby and will be able to attend. We're always looking for tent sponsors, preferably with some experience in hosting tents or at least in observing tent sponsors at games. We need more state commissioners and tent sponsors at Highland Games — please note our website (www.clanjohnstone.org) for states and Highland Games where we are currently represented. If your state or a Highland Games in your area is not represented by CJA, please consider volunteering for one of these important roles in our clan. Our National Membership Commissioner, Betty Watts, provides materials on the duties of our State Commissioners and tent sponsors, materials for our tents, and other helpful information. Please contact Betty (louiseryan2001@yahoo.com) if you're interested in being a tent sponsor

Finally, we have received the last shipment of *The Gentle Johnston/es* by Russ Honey, a former Judge and CJA Council member from Canada. Both Russ and his wife Marrie have now passed away, and we are most indebted to both of them for sharing this wonderful book on Johnston/e history (a "must have" for all Johnston/es) with us over the years. The Gentle Johnston/es is now out of print, and we thank Shari Pearce, their niece, for sending this last shipment to us. Order your copy, or a copy for a Johnston/e relative or friend, now!

Yours Aye,
Steve



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A hundred thousand welcomes to our new members.

Alan J. Cribb Tampa FL
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Flowers of the Forest

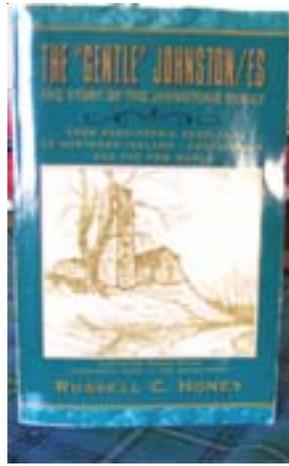
Our condolences to the family and friends of:

Winnie Bowman of Conyers, GA - Jan. 11, 2010
Marrie Honey, Canada - Dec. 24, 2009
Robert W. Postier, Bloomfield, VT- Dec.29, 2009.
(Robert was the husband of long time member Sarah Postier and father of CJA Secretary, Catherine Postier.)

Loosing a friend.

by Margot Johnston

You may have noticed in Flowers of the Forest, the passing of Marrie Honey. Why would we print more about Marrie? Because she was the wife of the now departed Russell Honey who was the author of "The Gentle Johnston/es". Every one that knew Marrie, couldn't help but like her. Marrie was born Mary Agnus Lajoie in Michigan. She met Russell while living in Florida. We knew her as Marrie. Every one who met her knew her as a delightful, sweet person. She had helped Russell put together the book that every Johnston should read designing the front cover and doing the illustrations. Like many others we meet and get close too, she too is gone and has left an empty spot in the lives of many CJA members in the Northeast and in eastern Canada. She left this earth to be with Russell on December 24th, 2009.



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**Notice:** Two *The 'Gentle' Johnston/e* books sold on Ebay for \$111.00. The book is available to CJA members at its original price of \$20 plus shipping and handling and is listed on our Merchandise page.

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Last winter, Arthur Johnston heard about flooding in Scotland so he contacted Lord Annandale to see if they were all okay. Here is the response.

Dear Arthur,

How kind of you to think of us in our ark floating down the Annan to the sea.

There is not a problem with regard to Raehills or Annanbank, although the road into Annanbank was about five feet deep in water, we sat tight and in 24 hours the river had gone down and we could get out again.

Still a few roads closed due to this flooding, the forecast weather is so bad we are not sure what the long term outcome will be.

Everybody is well, Penny not produced number 3 yet but it is overdue so suitcase packed and ready, will let you know the outcome.

If you could bounce this on to anybody else who could be concerned and may I wish you all a merry Christmas and a happy new year.

Kindest Regards,
Lord Annandale

Do you like it?

For those of you receiving your newsletter by mail, do you like the color cover? Unfortunately, we can only offer it for this issue and the next but we wanted you to see how nice it is to see the photos and graphics in color. If you would like to get the Spur and Phoenix in full color throughout, you can do so by signing up for the email version at no extra cost.

We offered this option for the Winter issue and have had rave reviews. Some have asked if it can be used for those of you that have dial up and the answer is yes. It is produced in pdf format so if your computer has a pdf reader (in some cases it is Adobe Acrobat Reader) then you will be able to open it without a problem. PDF reduces the size of the email allowing it to download quicker.

If you would like to find out if it will work for you, email me at jackiejohnston@mchsi.com and ask me to send you this Spring edition via email. I will only do this once per person and for members only.

You can sign up for the digital version of the newsletter by emailing Margot Johnston at lucknbooth@aol.com and she will add you to the list.

This gives a wider range of options for our members. If you have children, you can print out the Forever Young page for each one. If you are featured in the newsletter, you can print it and send it to relatives or forward it by email.

Many love seeing the full color photos and being able to read it on their computer. It saves paper, storage space and the environment.

We hope you like the changes and will take this opportunity to get the newsletter in full color.

For those of you that signed up for it for the Winter issue, let us know if you like the change.

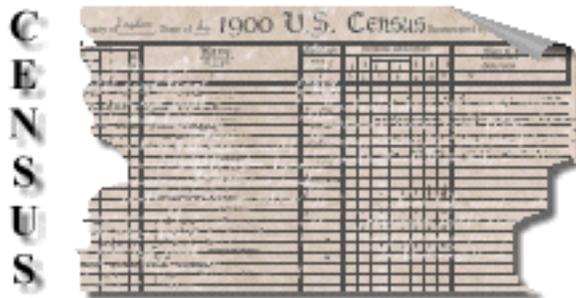
Jackie Johnston
Editor



Genealogy Corner

Barbara Hockman, Genealogist

With 2010 being a census year, I thought it would be a good idea to visit some of the past censuses. How many times have you heard someone say that their ancestor was missed on a census or that the name was completely misspelled? Well, they may have been right or just not thinking in the same manner as the census taker.



The first enumeration began on August 2, 1790. Congress assigned responsibility for the census to the U.S. Marshals and it was their responsibility through 1840. The Marshals submitted their returns in whatever form they found convenient. The law required that every household be visited and the completed schedules be posted in “two of the most public places within each jurisdiction, there to remain for the inspection of all concerned.” At a time when residences could be miles apart, this posting in a public place enabled people or acquaintances to submit or correct family information if they were missed by the marshal who probably did not make repeat trips to out-lying farms. They were instructed that every person shall be recorded as of the family in which he or she resided on the first Monday in August. So you have to remember that someone residing in a household may not necessarily be an immediate family member.

From 1800 to 1820, the states provided schedules. It was specified in the 1810 instructions that “an actual inquiry be made at every dwelling house, or of the head of every family within each district”. The 1830 Census was the first enumeration in which a uniform schedule was used and the collection of age data was extended from infancy to the “utmost boundaries of life.”

It is the 1850 that has inhabitants listed by first and last name. A law was enacted authorizing penalties for refusing to reply to census queries and little was changed between 1850 and 1870 other than the expansion of questions on the census form.

In 1880, new census laws were enacted that handed over the enumeration to a body of officers specifically chosen for the census work. Each enumerator was required “to visit personally each dwelling house in his subdivision, and each family therein, and each individual living out of a family in any place of abode, and by inquiry made of the head of such family, or of such individual living out of a family, to obtain each and every time of information and all the particulars.” In case no one was available at a family’s usual place of abode, the enumerator was directed by the law “to obtain the required information, as nearly as may be practicable, from the family or families, or person or persons, living nearest to such place of abode.”

Apparently enumerators were somewhat lax in the completion of their duties and with the 1900 census became more closely supervised. Records were kept on a daily basis of what homes were visited and an “absent family” schedule was used for securing a complete record for any persons temporarily absent from their abode. And with the 1920 census, enumerators were instructed to enumerate persons at their “usual place of abode”. That is, their permanent home or regular lodging place. People temporarily absent from their “usual place of abode” were enumerated at the places they habitually resided and the information for these people was obtained from relatives or acquaintances.

As you can see, how accurate data in a census jurisdiction was depended on how the information was obtained. With neighbors or family members providing answers to the queries, accuracy is quite questionable. Spelling was quite often whatever the enumerator decided it should be as the respondents had no idea how their last name was spelled. And if the person providing the data was a fairly new immigrant with a thick accent, names were recorded as whatever the enumerator thought he heard. So yes, people were missed on the census but they also may be there but just recognizable only to you.

Famous Johnstons

Bruce Johnston – He Writes the Songs

By Bart Johnston



Courtesy of Bruce Johnston

As a child he played classical piano in West Los Angeles but found rock & roll in the 50's. While still in high school, Bruce Johnston and his L.A. buddies invented the sound of Southern California music: playing, writing and arranging with Ritchie Valens, Sandy Nelson, Phil Spector, the Everly Brothers, the Rip Chords and finally, the Beach Boys. Later, he wrote, arranged, produced, played and sang with The Captain and Tennille, David Cassidy, Elton John, the Mamas and the Papas and Pink Floyd, to name a few. Bruce wrote his autobiographical "I Write the Songs" in just 15

minutes while stuck in L.A. traffic and it has sold twenty-five million copies by Barry Manilow and others.

Born Benjamin Baldwin in Peoria, Illinois in 1942, he was adopted just weeks later by William and Irene Johnston of Chicago. They soon moved to L.A., where his father was a pharmacy chain executive. His parents provided him with good musical training and by 14 he was playing piano professionally. On his first gig, Bruce and Sandy Nelson were recording a demo in a L.A. studio when a man came in and shot the owner dead! He learned that day that rock & roll is a tough business.

Johnston lived the Southern California dream of surfing and driving hot cars. He made music about this lifestyle with Jan & Dean ("Surf City") and the Rip Chords ("Hey Little Cobra"), to name a few. In 1963, while surfing in Hawaii he met the Beach Boys. They recognized in him tremendous creativity and a calm demeanor which enabled him to work with even the most temperamental artists.

Brian Wilson was the creative genius and lead singer of the Beach Boys but by 1964, burned out from the road, he decided that he could no longer write and perform. The band hired studio musician Glen Campbell, who had recorded with them, to take Brian's place on the road. Within months, Glen had gone solo and Dennis Wilson asked his friend Bruce to recommend a replacement. After giving it much thought, he told Dennis that the best person for the band was himself. The band agreed and asked him to do a couple of concerts with them on the road. It went so well that they asked him to record with them on "California Girls." The single sold over four million copies and Bruce had a permanent position as the sixth Beach Boy. When they told Bruce they needed a bass player, Beach Boy Mike Love remembers that Bruce learned the bass in "about two days!"

By 1966 Brian Wilson was working on his greatest album, "Pet Sounds," inspired by the Beatles' "Rubber Soul" album. Most of the Beach Boys disliked it prior to release, thinking that it broke the formula the band had carefully crafted, but Bruce encouraged Brian, realizing his genius. Johnston grabbed a few pre-production copies and flew to London to try to get onto the British charts. Keith Moon, legendary 19-year-old drummer for the Who, finding out Bruce was in town, took him on one of Moon's legendary pub crawls. Surviving his first night in London, Bruce was greeted by Moon at 3 AM the next night with Lennon and McCartney of the Beatles in tow. The four played cards, drank and listened to "Pet Sounds." The Brits were so impressed, they asked Bruce to play it for them again. Lennon told a friend afterward that he and Paul, realizing that they would have to do something groundbreaking to beat "Pet Sounds," soon after began work on "Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band."

Bruce left the band in 1972 to pursue writing and producing and had a hot career putting many big artists such as Elton John, Pink Floyd and The Who on the charts. In the late 70s the Beach Boys asked him to return and he has stayed with them through the deaths of Dennis and Carl Wilson and the mental illness of Brian. Today he still tours with bandmate Mike Love, singing those wonderful old hits and some new ones. He isn't surprised to see young audiences everywhere they perform and explains it by saying, "You're always gonna love The Beach Boys music because it's about girls, cars, and surfing."

Bruce lives with his wife and four sons outside of Nashville, Tennessee and L.A, as well as touring with Mike Love and others as The Beach Boys. This winter they will be in Asia, Australia and the United States.



Annual General Meeting (AGM): 2010

The 2010 Annual General Meeting will be held during the 145th Scottish Highland Gathering & Games in Pleasanton, California. The dates are September 3, 4 and 5 (Labor Day Weekend). Information about the Pleasanton Games can be found at: <http://www.caledonian.org/>

Twenty rooms have been reserved at the Fourpoints by Sheraton Pleasanton. Transportation to and from the SFO and OAK airports is using BART (Bay Area Rapid Transit), private shuttle or taxi. Hotel shuttles will pick up guests at the BART station in Pleasanton until 9PM at night. Hotel shuttles will deliver folks at the main gate of the games at no charge. Shuttles are also available for any destination in Pleasanton for no charge. Fourpoints Sheraton Pleasanton will also handle our Saturday night dinner in the hotel. Rooms are \$ 69.00 per night plus tax. There is availability to upgrade to a mini-suite if you wish for \$79.00 a night.

The AGM will be Saturday evening in the banquet rooms at the Fourpoints by Sheraton and includes dinner. AGM tickets will be \$50.00. Menu choices are Chicken Marsala or London Broil. There will be a no-host bar prior to the AGM Banquet. Special dietary needs will be honored, just let Lindsey know when you make your AGM reservations.

To make your AGM Reservation: Contact Lindsey at clanjohnston-e@comcast.net Please indicate the number attending and if there are any special dietary concerns. You should receive a confirmation of your reservation. *Don't have email?* Call Lindsey at 425-922-6974 to make tour Banquet Reservation.

To make your room reservation online: [Clan Johnstone/e AGM 2010 \(http://www.starwoodmeeting.com/StarGroupsWeb/res?id=1002254005&key=C4FA9\)](http://www.starwoodmeeting.com/StarGroupsWeb/res?id=1002254005&key=C4FA9) Follow the link to receive your special rate of \$69 (or\$79) a night. Have your credit card handy. *Don't have internet?* Call: (925) 460-8800 and make sure they know this is for the Clan Johnstone/e AGM to receive your special rate of \$69.00 a night.

To make a camping reservation: There are three ways to camp at the Pleasanton Games. The Caledonian Club of San Francisco offers both dry camping and full utilities. You can get more information here: <http://www.caledonian.org/campingregistrationform.html> Additionally, the Alameda County Fairgrounds have their own camping facilities available. You can get more information here: <http://www.thefairparkrv.com/>

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More information to follow.

The Barony of Caskieben for Sale

By Bart Johnston

In 1066 the Normans brought the feudal system to England and the Anglo-Saxon Chronicles lamented that every great man built a castle and “filled it with devils and wicked men.” One of the last remnants of William the Conqueror’s feudal system is now for sale. The Barony of Caskieben is available for anyone willing to part with about \$150,000. Today the title is devoid of castle, devils or wicked men; you will have to buy the real estate and build your own castle.

Sir William Johnston, in the 19th century, was the 9th Baronet of Caskieben and thereafter it was owned by others. Today the Grant-Suttie family holds the barony and since it no longer makes economic sense to own it they wish to sell.

The broker for this title is Brian Hamilton, known in Britain as “Raider of Lost Titles.” Hamilton was a 48-year-old welder on North Sea oil rigs when in the 1980s he attended Aberdeen University and studied land economics. He discovered a loophole in British law that allowed one to acquire some baronies and charge one year of rent to any who acquired property on the old feudal lands. No one knows how much money he made but some say it amounts to millions of pounds. Although not a lawyer, Hamilton was in court countless times enforcing his feudal right to rent from homeowners. Most saw him as an opportunist using the law to steal from an unsuspecting public. Feelings ran so strongly against him and others like him that in 2004 the Scottish National Parliament passed a law to end his business.

Whatever else one thinks of Hamilton, he is very bright and resourceful. He now runs a business of selling feudal titles separated from all land and traditional rights of the peer. We first were made aware of Sir Brian by an email that he sent to members of council saying the Caskieben title was available. If you go to his web site www.baronytitles.com and study the Terms of Business, it appears that he is reputable, insisting that you acquire your own independent solicitor to handle the purchase. He seems to be up front with the costs you would incur and he will divulge whether he is acting as broker or owns the title himself. One last caveat: the Lord Lyon has ruled that the Abolition of Feudal Tenure Act (Scotland) orders that the barony has ceased to exist as a feudal state. Therefore, you would not be entitled to the red chapeau on your coat of arms. Also, without a territory you could not be referred to by your estate. Formerly, for example, you would have been referred to as “Caskieben” but now you would be just plain “Johnston” or Sir or Lady Johnston.

The former Lord Lyon, Robin Blair, dismissed all ‘paper barons’ as “mere seekers of status driven on by social climbing wives.” If your wife is of that ilk, perhaps this is the title for you!



Johnston’s Motor Car

If you are a fan of traditional Irish music or revolutionary songs, perhaps you are familiar with Johnston’s Motor Car. Based on a true incident in the 1920s when the IRA needed to get armed men to another town 50 miles away. They lured Dr. Johnston out to see a patient and commandeered his car at a roadblock. The song ends: “And Barney hoisted a Sinn Fein flag, and it fluttered like a star, and we gave three cheers for the IRA and Johnston’s Motor Car”.



Listen to it on YouTube sung by the Clancy Brothers and others.

Scottish Highland Games

March-June that will have CJA representation.
For a listing of all the games, and those for the year, visit www.clanjohnstone.com.

4/24/2010

Southern Maryland Celtic Festival and Highland Gathering

<http://www.cssm.org>

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Minnesota Scottish Fair and Highland Games

<http://www.mnscottishfair.org/>

Dakota County Fairgrounds, Farmington, MN

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5/28-29/2010

Greater Greenville Scottish Festival and Highland Games <http://www.greenvillegames.org>

June 6, 2008 (parade and reception), and

June 7, 2008 (games) Furman University on
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6/18-19/2010

Illinois Saint Andrew Society's Annual Highland Games <http://www.chicago-scots.org>

Oak Brook Polo Grounds, Oakbrook, Illinois

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6/19/2010

Fort Ticonderoga Scottish Festival & Black Watch Memorial

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Schedules for July through September will be in the next issue of the Spur & Phoenix.

Northwest Games

By Lindsey Johnstone

(Games listed through June 2010)

5/15/2010

Eugene Highland Games

Eugene, OR

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www.eugenescottishfestival.com

6/5-6/2010

Bellingham Highland Games

Ferndale, WA

www.bha.org

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6/26/2010

Tacoma Highland Games

Graham, WA

CJA Tent Sponsor: Chris Ensor
www.tacomagames.org



Happy Tartan Day

April 6th is Tartan Day. Send us your stories and photos of how you celebrated Tartan Day. We would love to hear from you.

Notes from the Editor

By Jackie Johnston

I would like to thank Lord Annandale and Cecil Johnson for sending in an article on Vice-Admiral Sir William Johnstone Hope GCB. We will put the article on our website at www.clanjohnstone.org for those who would like to read the whole article at one time and I will try to get it into the Spur & Phoenix in installments.

Game Hosting in Kansas City

By *Barbara Hockman*

As I sit here watching it snow yet again, the thought of the hot, muggy days that accompany the Kansas City Highland Games actually don't seem that bad. The 90-100 degree temperatures usually associated with the games weekend had always kept me from being actively involved with them, but this past year I took the plunge. I decided to host a tent and I am glad I did.

Now I must say I am beginning to feel that there is a black cloud that follows me when I attend games. I think every AGM I have attended has been accompanied by storms. Every local game I have attended in Alabama and Kansas has had blistering hot temperatures. So why would I think this past summer would be any different. The fates did not disappoint me.

I had other obligations and could not attend the Friday night opening ceremonies. Ten miles south of the ceremonies, we were sweltering at an out-of-doors wedding. Meanwhile at the games, attendees were just lucky enough to get the opening ceremonies and musical attractions over before a huge storm hit. Tables were blown over, tents were collapsing under the weight of the rain and the whole area had become one humongous mud hole.

I woke the next morning with no knowledge of the previous night's storm at the games field. The morning dawned sunny and of all things COLD! Now I am talking about it being cold enough that people were wearing winter coats and wrapped up in blankets. I arrived at the field to find the ceiling of the tent sagging dangerously low, mud puddles big enough to swallow small children and I swear a Canadian clipper was blowing through. Everything not securely anchored was making its way across the Clan grounds with people frantically trying to contain them. But hey, we Scottish decedents are hearty folks and just go about our business.

Although pretty cold, the day was a great joy. Children were visiting all the clan tents to get their "passports" stamped. As I did not bring a stamp with me, I wrote on each one "Aye Ready! Clan Johnston/e". (Note to self - get a stamp made!) Clan Johnston/e tent was situated between the performance stage and band performance field so there was continuous music. And then a wonderful surprise, Nick Johnston, one of our clan members from Minnesota had made a special trip to Kansas City to visit the games with his son Aaron Garth Johnston who is currently stationed close by. Of course, I asked them to walk with me in the Parade of Tartans!



Nick Johnston, Barbara Hockman, Aaron Johnston

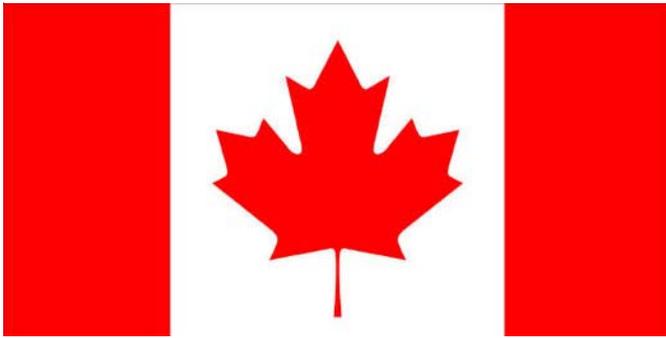
Several folks stopped to say they had looked for a Johnston/e tent every year and were glad to finally have one. So, if your particular games has never had Clan Johnston/e tent, please consider one. It is great fun and I plan on doing it again this year. That is, if they don't hear about that black cloud that follows me to each of these game

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### **Latest Books Donated to CJA**

CJA would like to thank Linden G. Johnson Jr. for the many books and publications he has sent to us. We don't have a lending library where others can access these books at this time but we are working on finding a location for all the items that have been donated to CJA over the years. When we find a home for the books, we will publish it in our newsletter.

Linden has donated the following books in the last year: *Scottish Gourmet USA 2009-2010*(catalog), *Highland Knife Fighting with the Dirk and Sgian*, *Highland Martial Culture - The Fighting Heritage of Scotland*, *The Broom's Burns Night, Bundling - Its Origins, Progress, and Decline in America* as well as a *Paliden Press* magazine.



## Canada Reports

by Joan Diminie

### The Olympic Red Mittens

Creating a sea of patriotic red waving wildly on the hands of supporters the mittens became more than a souvenir, they became the “it” item to show support for the games and at the same time financially supporting Canadian athletes. More than 3 1/2 million pairs of the iconic red mittens were sold down to the last pair. Retailer’s price being \$10.00, now profiteers charging up to \$200.00.



### 2010 Vancouver Olympic Games

Vancouver, B.C. was hosting the 2010 Winter Olympics. While thinking it would be the ideal location high up in the mountains, it was far from it. Leading up to the games with the temperature hovering in the 50’s and rain most days resulting in a sea of mud. Lack of snow was not a problem for Whistler, however the area of Cypress Mountain had been a problem for months. Huge truckloads of snow were transported down from higher areas of the mountain and placed onto large forms made out of straw which was air lifted in by helicopters. For months machines were also producing and storing snow, helping to reduce the amount of snow needed. Through all the hardships the games started on time.

The Olympic Torch Relay, a symbol of peace and friendship, was originally lit in Olympia, Greece on October 22 and began it’s journey over land, air and water starting in Victoria, B.C. on October 30th. and concluded at the opening ceremonies signaling the start of the 2010 Olympic Winter Games on Feb. 12th. The relay was the longest in history to be contained within the Host Country with over 45,000 kilometers traveled in 106 days involving 1,000 communities and places of interest. Approximately 90% of Canada’s population was within a one hour drive of experiencing the Olympic Flame and celebrations hosted by over 200 communities in every province and territory, including Alert, Nunavut, the northern most permanently inhabited community in the world. 12,000 people had the honour of being an Olympic Torchbearer and helped carry the flame to Vancouver.

The 2010 Winter Olympics began with an elaborate opening ceremony with the lighting of the Olympic Cauldron. The Canadian flag was carried into BC Place by eight RCMP Officers in full dress followed by the Canadian National Anthem, “O Canada”. Four large “welcoming poles” representing Canada’s Aboriginal Nations were erected with representatives of each tribe welcoming the world to the Olympics in their native language, as well as English and French. Traditional First Nations dancing and drumming followed.

Approximately 3,000 athletes from more than 80 countries competed in 15 sports with more than 80 separate medal events. Athletes from some countries that rarely ever see snow, a popular bobsled team from the Island of Jamaica and skiers from Kenya. The final event of the games being Men’s Hockey - Canada vs USA.

After 17 days, the games came to an end with a spectacular showing of fireworks followed by the introduction of the four chiefs, the Prime Minister of Canada and the IOC President and the singing of the Canadian National Anthem. Flag bearers for participating nations entered the stadium making a ring around the Olympic Cauldron followed by the athletes.



A RCMP honour guard raised the Greek National Flag while the Greek National Anthem was sung, then lowering the Olympic Flag. The Olympic Flag was handed down to the Mayor of Sochi, Russia whose city will host the 2014 World Olympics.

## **Burns Supper 2010 in Toronto**

*By Paul Johnston, Richmond Hill, ON.*

In January, Nikki and Paul Johnston joined friends at The Granite Club in Toronto, for their annual Burns Supper. This Highland Formal affair was, as usual, a great evening of food, drink, dance, and laughter in celebration of the immortal Robbie Burns. All of the traditional Burns festivities were observed including The Address to the Haggis, The Toast to The Immortal Memory, The Toast to The Lassie's & Rebuttal, as well as a number of stories and poetry recitals. Music was provided by the Pipes and Drums of The 48<sup>th</sup> Highlanders. In addition, Stefanie Hutka provided fiddle accompaniment and serenades throughout the evening. Beautiful tenor solos were also performed by David and Kathy Campbell.

One great feature of The Granite Club event is the inclusion of Scottish Country Dance "Ceilidh" lessons. On the two or three Saturdays preceding the event, two hour dance sessions are offered under the direction of David Booz and The Scottish Studies Foundation. Here we learned and practiced a number of dances including The Dashing White Sergeant, Long Live The Queen, The Eightsome Reel, Strip the Willow, Waltz Country Dance, and of course The Gay Gordons. These sessions are very well attended by over 100 people. It's a great opportunity to learn some traditional Scottish dances as well as meet a variety of people celebrating their Scottish heritage. And of course, the climax of the event is in showing off your new found skills on the dance floor at the conclusion of the Burns Supper.

This year's Burns Supper was once again a tremendous success. Although the Johnston Clan is somewhat under-represented, the evening is always a sell-out and a great deal of fun!

*"'Guid Nicht' An' joy be wi' ye a'"*



*Paul & Nikki Johnston*

## Burns Night in New England,

By Margot Johnston

Attending a Burn's Night in New England can get dicey at best, as there is always the January weather to contend with. Mother Nature could dump a foot or two of snow on us that day or freezing rain that makes roads treacherous. That means that many folks are reluctant to plan ahead to travel, period.

Over the past several years, it was discovered that many of our neighbors were Scottish but hadn't attended Highland Games or other events held by St. Andrew's Societies. So, some 5 years ago, Arthur and I decided to have a "party" here at the house.

Then there were the 6 old friends that have done Highland Games and been to a lot of events who wanted to be involved as well. We three women prepared all the food and invited half the neighborhood that lives on Bog Rd. That adds up to around 18 folks.

Cold smoked Salmon with dill and caper sauce, Scotch Eggs (quartered) with crackers and good cheddar cheese while waiting for the Haggis. We make our own Scotch Eggs and Haggis but the tinned Haggis is really good. Then a good soup, either Scotch Broth, Cock a Leekie or Carrot and Coriander. Arthur makes his fantastic Steak Pie, (not Steak and Kidney – that's English). One of the ladies makes the mashed Neeps and one makes the Rumbley Thumbs. Someone makes a desert. Tipsey Laird is the general rule, plus homemade Shortbread.

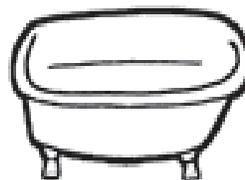
No one can really do the Salute to the Haggis very well, so we play a tape of it or just bring out the Haggis to the sound of the pipes. Arthur plays the pipes for our group but recorded pipes are better than nothing. In between courses, we recite a poem or two of Burns', the funnier the better. We've even been known to have a Whiskey Tasting.

Then it just turns to fun and story telling. Out here in the country, there is a lot to joke about with folks' experiences in raising chickens, pigs, having a garden and run ins with the local wild life. Life experiences with our children, dogs and cats can also be a topic. We have a couple of wines available and a variety of Scotches. However, we suggest that you BYOB, but have a couple good Scotches on hand. Usually a couple of folks will bring more Scotch and another group will bring wine and some bring soda. Two or three of the couples are old Scottish friends that help out and two couples always stay over, as they live hours away. One couple lives across town and the rest live within a mile and a half of our house.

It's really easy to do up a little party. It doesn't even have to be as varied as what we do. Even 6 to 10 folks can have a lot of fun. Start planning now, for next January. It's a way to get to know your neighbors better.



### Riddle



What does an antique clawfoot bathtub have in common with a Buick? Answer, they were both invented by David Dunbar Buick who came to Detroit from Abroath, Scotland in the middle 19<sup>th</sup> century. With a partner, he invented a process to attach the enamel to cast iron. A genius inventor, he went on to invent the first overhead valve engine, still in use today, and started Buick Motors in 1899, which later became part of General Motors.

## *Clan Johnston/e in America* *2009 Annual General Meeting*

September 19, 2009 – Beacon Resort, Lincoln, NH



### **Welcome and Opening Remarks**

President Steve Johnston welcomed those in attendance to the AGM Dinner & called the meeting to order. He thanked all for attending, and asked for continued involvement, help developing new talent, and bringing families into CJA and its leadership.

### **Quorum Call**

There were **38 members** present, including 7 Council members.

**218 consenting Proxies** were received as reported by Secretary Catherine Postier. New York State law requires 10% for a Quorum. 498 total members divided by 256 attending and proxies equals 51%, establishing the necessary quorum.

### **Flowers of the Forest**

Jackie Smith of the Brigadoons, “Official” band of CJA, passed away in the last year. Steve then reminded all to make sure Margot Johnston, Registrar or Jackie Johnston, Newsletter Editor, are made aware of the passing of any members.

### **Report of Nominations Committee & Election of Officers**

Presented by Arthur Johnston as prepared by Billye Tellingner- The Slate of Officers was previously approved by the Council for a two year (2009-2011) term.

Nominees are:

- President – Steve Johnston to continue
- Vice President, East - Bart Johnston to continue
- Newsletter Editor – Jackie Johnston to continue
- National Membership Commissioner – Betty Watts to continue
- Member At Large – J.J. Johnston to replace Billye Tellingner
- Member At Large – Linn Johnstone to replace Carol Koeslag

Thanks to Carol and Billye for their years of service to CJA

A motion to elect Slate of Officers was made and seconded. The motion then passed unanimously

### **Publications Committee Report**

Presented by Bart Johnston as prepared by Jackie Johnston - The report announced the formation of a Publications Committee per the request of the President. The committee, through coordination with tent sponsors and the internet will look at ways to expand membership by assessing needs and giving more up-to-date information. The Website is being updated on a regular basis and there are efforts to gain members through MySpace and Facebook. The committee is also looking at ways to cut the costs of producing the newsletter, including electronic distribution.

### **Genealogy Report**

Presented and prepared by Barbara Hockman – There were few pedigrees submitted this year as the requirement to do so was removed for new members. She is looking at doing this via an e-mail form when welcoming new members. Queries increased, but Barbara was unable to match them with current members. She is teaming up with the DNA project to try to make more matches. Barbara has also started a Facebook page for Johnston/e Genealogy.

### **Registrar’s Report**

Presented and prepared by Margot Johnston– CJA currently has 492 members (195 have not renewed, 134 have renewed) of which 162 are life members. Expenses for office supplies, postage, etc. came to \$707.50 for the year. Increased costs were due to a special mailing in August regarding digital transmission.

### **National Membership Commissioner’s Report**

Presented by Margot Johnston as prepared by Betty Watts – The report includes all games from July 2008 to August 2009. Betty responded to 23 requests for information and sent back issues of the S&P to Clayton Library for Genealogical research and the DAR Library to complete archives. Craig Johnston has expressed interest in becoming State Commissioner for OK.

She is sending him more information and will stay in contact with him. There were a total of 221 sign-ins, and supplies sent to 17 tent sponsors. Tent Sponsorship projects are ongoing including an electronic toolkit, inventory tracking and mapping games.

### **Merchandise Report**

Presented and prepared by Arthur Johnston –Most purchases are made in the fall for Christmas mail orders. Total purchases for the year are \$1,965.25. The main items purchased were tartan yardage material, tams, scarves, ties, books, etc. One new item is “The Unblessed Hand”, a novel by Cecil Johnston about the events leading up to the Battle of Dryfe Sands. We are trying to hold purchases down because of high exchange rates. The Lochwood Tower Restoration Fund has a balance of \$1,916.50

### **Financial Report and Budget**

Presented and prepared by Kathie Bailey Mathae –Summary and detailed financial reports were provided. Major changes in the budget were for production of the Spur and Phoenix and increased requests for reimbursement from tent sponsors. However, the overall budget for 2010 only shows a \$1,000.00 increase. A motion to adopt the 2009 budget was made, seconded and passed unanimously.

### **Scholarship Committee Report**

Presented by Steve Johnston - This report appeared in the Spring S&P. Scholarship winners have been excellent and have done a great job sending in the required progress reports. Also, Kathie Bailey Mathae has expressed an interest in serving on the Scholarship Committee. Steve will appoint her to the position and make himself Ex-officio.

### **New Business:**

#### **AGM 2010**

The Council would like to hold the 2010 AGM at the Scottish Highland Gathering & Games at Pleasanton, CA September 4 & 5, 2010. Lindsey Johnston & Karen Klein are already working hard on this and have found some very good rates. A motion was made to hold 2010 AGM at Pleasanton, CA, was seconded and passed unanimously

### **Webmaster’s Report**

Presented by Catherine Postier as prepared by Will Johnstone – Continuous improvements to the CJA website are ongoing, including new navigation links within the site and new page names to make it easier for the various internet search engines to link find information in the site. A new page has been created for the JJJ DNA project and he is working on up-to date news and games information, as well as getting the S&P online.

### **Johnson/Johnston/Johnstone DNA Project**

Presented by Barbara Hockman as prepared by Lee Johnston – Lee welcomes new members of the project and gives an update on events in the last year. There are currently 21 Family Groups working to link their documented lineage to find common ancestors. The website has been rebuilt, restructured and reorganized for easy accessibility. A section called “JJJ Library” has been added to compile the research data submitted by members. It began with the original 13 US Colonies, and the state of Tennessee. Library sections have also been added for Australia, Canada, New Zealand and the UK. A “Veteran’s Section” has also been added to compile data from the major pre-20<sup>th</sup> century wars. Lastly a section on “Presidential DNA” has been added containing information specific to the two Johnson Presidents. There is a brochure available on the project’s main site for anyone interested in more information. Lastly, Lee would like to thank the project team for their support and efforts.

### **Lochwood Tower / Three Ends Bridge Restoration Report**

Presented and prepared by Arthur Johnston – The restoration of Lochwood Tower has been on hold since new requirements imposed by Historic Scotland have made the costs of the project unreachable. Working with Lord Annandale and Lord Johnstone, a new project, the restoration of the Three Ends Bridge has been proposed. Three Ends Bridge is a foot bridge with three entrances and a gazebo in the center located on the ground of the Raehills Estate. It is not complicated and can be accomplished in a short period of time with work currently slated to begin in 2012 or 2013. A motion was

made to dissolve the Lochwood Tower Restoration Fund, Committee and Project and transfer the funds to the Three Ends Bridge Fund, was seconded and passed unanimously. A second motion was made to create the Three Ends Bridge Restoration Project, with Arthur Johnston as Committee Chair, and to transfer the sum of \$1,916.50 from the Lochwood Tower Fund, it was seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

### **CJA Archives Update**

Presented by Steve Johnston – The CJA Archives are currently housed in the Ellen Payne Odom Genealogical Library in Moultrie, GA. They need to be moved to a more central location. Work on this is ongoing and Steve is considering resurrecting the council position of Historian to ensure it is taken care of, now and going forward. Any suggestions are welcome.

### **Closing Remarks**

President Steve referred to the section of the AGM Agenda regarding “Discussion of Plans and Possibilities for the Coming Year”. These include new committees, CJA representation at games, membership expansion, etc. Anyone with any ideas of how to improve in any of these areas should contact him.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded and passed unanimously.

### **Meeting Adjourned**

Respectfully Submitted, Catherine Postier, Secretary

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|   | <h2 style="text-align: center;">TAE ANITHER MOOSE</h2> <p style="text-align: center;">WEE SLEEKIT, COWRIN', SOD O' A MOOSIE<br/>DINNA TRY AN' TRESPASS INTAE MY WEE HOOSIE<br/>YE BETTER RIN RICHT BACK INTAE YER HOLE<br/>FOR BEEIN' NEAR YE, MOOSIE, I CANNA THOLE<br/>I'LL GET SOME POISON, OR A PUCKLE MOOSIE TRAPS<br/>AN YE'LL BE SQUASHED TAE DEATH<br/>JIST LIKE OOR SCOTTISH BAPS - OR<br/>WI' MANGLED LEGGIES AN' A TAIL A' TORN<br/>FOR CERTAIN, MOOSIE, YE'LL BE DEED E'ER MORN<br/>I KEN I'M AWFY BIG, AN' YOU'RE SAE WEE<br/>BUT, MOOSIE, YE PUT THE FEAR O' DEATH RICHT INTAE ME<br/>IT IS A FEMALE TRAIT, THIS TERROR THAT I FEEL<br/>THE VERY SECOND I SEE YOU - I SCREAM AN' SQUEAL<br/>SO GANG AWA WEE PEST, AN' DINNA COME AGAIN<br/>THEN - MOOSIE, YOU'LL BE LIVIN' - AN' I'LL BE SANE!!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Roselin Humphries 27/07/04</p> |   |
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*This poem was sent to us by Des Johnstone of Australia. It is by Roselin Humphries. Ms. Humphries has given permission for the reprinting of her poem by Clan Johnston/e.*

# Clan Johnston/e in America

## Merchandise & Price List

Effective December 31, 2009

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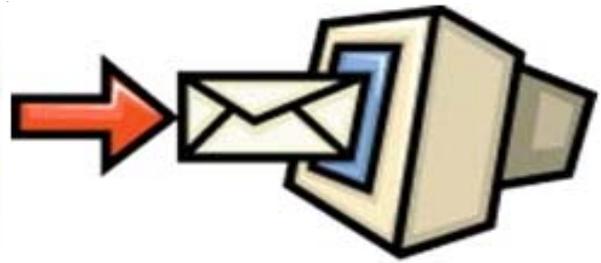
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# Forever Young

by Dee Johnston



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## Scottish Place Names

Place names in Scotland often have common prefixes, many derived from Gaelic. Ordinary words like 'ben' and 'glen' also appear frequently in names.



## **Tartan Day is almost here!**



It's time to celebrate your Scottish heritage. Every year on **April 6th**, the United States celebrates Scotland's Declaration of Arbroath.

Things you could do to commemorate this day:

- \* Attend a celebration in your state
- \* Have a potluck with friends and family. It's a great opportunity to compare notes on your family's genealogy.
- \* Wear some Johnston/e tartan to school and work. (If you really want to catch their attention, wear a kilt!)

| <b>Prefix</b> | <b>Meaning</b>          |
|---------------|-------------------------|
| Ard-          | Point                   |
| Auchen-       | Field                   |
| Auchter-      | Top of                  |
| Drum-         | Ridge                   |
| Dun-          | Hill or fort            |
| Inch-         | Island                  |
| Inver-        | At the mouth of a river |
| Kil-          | Cell of a saint         |
| Kinloch-      | At the head of a lake   |
| Kirk-         | Church, fort            |
| Knock, Nock   | Hillock                 |
| Strath-       | River valley            |

Not all place names have a prefix however. The Devil's Beeftub does not. It is where the Johnstones used to hide their cattle.



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