



TUCSON CELTIC FESTIVAL AND SCOTTISH HIGHLAND GAMES NEWSLETTER

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Chief McBain and Lady McBain



**Dia Duit Agus Fáilte
(Hello and Welcome)**



Welcome Letter

Dear Members of TCFA,

It is with great pleasure that we welcome our new board of directors for Tucson Celtic Festival Association (TCFA).

We are pleased to have you as a part of the board and of TCFA. The meetings are generally held on the second Saturday of each month with an occasional adjustment for planning meetings as event nears. The meetings are from 9:00 am to 11:00 am. The secretary will inform you and all current members of where those meetings will take place, and if there are any changes.

All members are invited to the monthly meetings and their suggestions are always welcomed. The minutes will be available to you so you can get an idea of our current agenda and situation.

Again welcome and we look forward to working with all of you and hearing your valuable contribution.

Sincerely,
TCFA President and Board Members

Board Members

Our board members for 2021.

President – Elizabeth Warner
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Make sure you mark your calendar for the up and coming games



HIGHLAND GAMES & SCOTTISH FESTIVALS FOR 2021

This newsletter I did not post any updates for games. Instead you will be able to find this information at S.H.A.G. Southeastern Highland Athletics Group on Facebook.

Please continue to check the S.H.A.G. Southeastern Highland Athletics Group for any updates on up and coming games. It has been my pleasure keeping you informed of up and coming games.



FUNDRAISING

Fundraising is continuing and if you have an idea on fundraising the committee would love to hear from you. All ideas are welcome.

To celebrate our mothers



MOTHER'S DAY HIGH TEA FUNDRAISER

Ladies, bring your daughters, and spend the afternoon with us.

8th May 2021 Mother's Day High Tea
Northminster Presbyterian Church
2450 East Fort Lowell Road
Tucson, AZ

Tickets: \$15.00 for mothers
\$ 5.00 for children

From 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m

Details and information will also be posted on www.tucsoncelticfestive.org as well as our Facebook page regarding purchasing tickets. Tickets on sale now.

What Is the Difference Between Afternoon Tea and High Tea?



Many times phrases are often misconstrued, especially regarding "afternoon tea" and "high tea" which are used interchangeably, and many mistakenly believe that there is no difference.

However; both tea traditions are steeped in British history and the differences, subtle as they may be, are a direct result of their origins.

What Is an Afternoon Tea?

Afternoon tea is a British food tradition of sitting down for an afternoon treat of tea, sandwiches, scones, and cake. Afternoon tea is served around 4 p.m. When afternoon tea became fashionable in the early 19th century thanks to the Anna, the Duchess of Bedford, it was never intended to replace dinner but rather to fill in the long gap between lunch and dinner at a time when dinner was served as late as 8 p.m. Lifestyles have changed since those times and afternoon tea is now a treat, rather than a stop-gap.

What Is a High Tea?

The origins of afternoon tea show clearly it was the preserve of the rich in the 19th century. For workers in the newly industrialized Britain, tea time had to

wait until after work. By that hour, tea was generally served with heartier dishes which were substantially more than just tea and cakes. Workers needed sustenance after a day of hard labor, so the after-work meal was more often hot and filling and accompanied by a pot of good, strong tea to revive flagging spirits.

Today, the evening meal in working-class households is still often called "tea" but as working patterns have changed yet again, many households now refer to the evening meal as supper. The addition of the word "high" to the phrase "high tea" is believed to differentiate between the afternoon tea that is traditionally served on low, comfortable, parlor chairs or relaxing in the garden and the worker's after-work high tea that is served at the table and seated on high back dining chairs.

High Tea in Scotland

In Scotland, high tea takes on further differentiation. A Scottish high tea is not unlike an afternoon tea but will include some hot food, such as a cheese on toast or other savory goodies.

Credit: <https://www.thespruceeats.com/high-tea-vs-afternoon-tea-765832>





Chaplain's Corner
Rev. Doug Knox
Mothers' Day 2021

Beltane and Mothers and an 8-Year-Old Who Gets It

It's May. The month wherein we celebrate Beltane and Mothers.

The Celtic year is divided by two major feast days, Beltane and Samhain. Celtic peoples, be they Christians or pagans, revere and celebrate these feast days, praising God for all the blessings He has bestowed on them.

Beltane is celebrated on May 1, "May Day." It marks the beginning of the light half of the year: spring and summer. Young women wash their face in the dew of Beltane morning to preserve their youth. May dew is indeed considered to be holy water.

On the eve of Beltane, as well as Samhain, all household fires are extinguished and great bonfires are kindled on the hilltops. The fires are blessed. From these sacred fires all household fires are re-lit, thus gaining God's blessing for the coming seasons. People jump over or run between the sacred fires, and livestock are driven between them, in symbolic ritual of purification and protection from evil.

A "May Queen" is elected for a family or clan. An older lady of repute, a "wise woman," crowns the new queen at dawn after she and her court arrive at a hilltop. The May Queen leads hymns to the rising sun as all the people gather. Thus, spiritually nourished, the people return to their homes praising God in song and prayer.

Derived from these ancient Beltane rituals that celebrate women, one Sunday in May, Mother's Day, is now set aside to especially honor mothers, and the work they do bringing up children. Mothers are due such honor for this task not just one day a year, but, for a fact, every day of every month of every year.

My wife and I were fortunate, as are many couples, in that we shared the up-bringing of our kids. But I'll be the first to admit that she did the lion's share. And did it magnificently! Single moms (single dads too) warrant great admiration for performing this life-molding task alone. So, to honor all mothers, especially single moms, I tell the following story every Mother's Day:

At one church I served, our 3rd-grade Sunday School teacher was a single mom. Her 8-year-old daughter was in her class. On the next-to-last Sunday of the school year she gave her class this assignment: "Write about: 'What Do You Know About God?'" I told her I'd love to see them when they were done. On the last Sunday she brought me the finished compositions, and pointed out this one written by her 8-year-old daughter:

"One of Gods main jobs is making people. He makes them to replace the ones that die, so there will be enough people to take care of things on earth. He doesnt make grown-ups, just babies. I think its because they are smaller and easier to make. That way he doesnt have to take up his valuable time teaching them to talk and walk. He can just leave that to mothers.

Gods second most important job is listening to prayers. An awful lot of this goes on, since some people, like pastors and others, pray at times besides bedtime. God doesn't have time to listen to

the radio or TV because of this. God sees everything and hears everything and is everywhere which keeps him pretty busy. So you shouldn't go wasting his time by going over your moms head asking for something she said you couldn't have.

Jesus is Gods son. He used to do all the hard work like walking on water and performing miracles and people finally got tired of him preaching to them and crucified him. But he was good and kind like his Father and he told his Father that they didnt know what they were doing and to forgive them and God said OK. His dad, God, appreciated everything that he had done and all his hard work on earth so he told Jesus he didnt have to go out on the road anymore. He could stay in heaven so he did.

And now he helps his dad out by listening to prayers and seeing which things are important for God to take care of and which ones he can take care of himself without having to bother God. Like a secretary only more important. You can pray anytime you want and they are sure to help you because they got it worked out so one of them is on duty all the time.

You should always go to church on Sunday because it makes God happy and if there is anybody you want to make happy, it is God. Don't skip church to do something you think will be more fun like playing soccer or going to the lake. This is wrong. And besides the sun doesn't come out at the lake until after church anyway.

If you don't believe in God you will be an atheist and you will be very lonely because your mom cant go everywhere with you like to camp but God can. It is good to know Gods around when you're scared in the dark or when you cant swim and might get thrown in by the big kids.

You shouldnt just always think of what God can do for you. God put us here to do good things for others who aren't as lucky as we are. And he is going to ask me what I did for them when I get to heaven. I think maybe when we take sandwiches and old clothes to the people in the park is what he means.

Thats what I know about God."
Remember: "You shouldnt just always think of what God can do for you. God put us here to do good things for others who arent as lucky as we are. And he is going to ask me what I did for them when I get to heaven."

Yes, this 8-year-old gets it. And so, obviously, does her mother.

Happy Birthday! It's Pentecost, your Second Birthday

The Holy Scripture appointed for the Day of Pentecost is from the Book of Acts: 2:1-11:

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly from heaven there came the rush of a great wind, bringing with it divided tongues of flaming fire. And a tongue rested on each of them; the flames filling all of them with the Holy Spirit. And they began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. At this sound the crowd was bewildered, because each visitor heard them speaking in their native language. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all of us who are speaking Galileans?" And the Galileans asked themselves, "How is it that we speak in the native language of these Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and Arabs; and these residents of Mesopotamia, Asia, Pamphylia and Egypt – and the visitors from Rome. In their language we hear us speaking about God's deeds of power." (NRSV)

Happy Birthday to you today, the Day of Pentecost! Pentecost, is your second birthday. How so? Because you were born to mother-church today. Actually, you were born into the church when God anointed you with the Holy Spirit at your baptism, but we celebrate all such anointings on the day of the first Pentecost when the first disciples were so anointed. The church is not buildings, it is, always has been, and always will be, people. And you and I are part of her band of disciples today.

Next to Easter and Christmas, Pentecost is the holiest day in the Christian faith. Christmas is the day the Savior was birthed. Easter is the day our salvation was birthed. Pentecost is the day the church was birthed.

The first Pentecost is the day the original disciples were anointed by flames of fire and empowered with the Holy Spirit, the Holy Spirit of love, to carry forward Jesus work. It is cause for great celebration; a time of rejoicing with music and song and cake with red candles aflame! In other words, time for a festive happy birthday party! As modern-day disciples we too have been inflamed by the Holy Spirit to do God's work – inflamed by the Spirit of love to love others, to love the world into the kingdom.

Red, of course, is the color for Pentecost. Red symbolizes the flames of fire of the Holy Spirit, the flame of fire that burns within you. The flames of the Holy Spirit, burning within, fuel disciples to go forth and spread the Good News of the Gospel. Spread, by word and example, by any way comfortable for them, for you, the Gospel of love.

As with all birthdays, we celebrate the birthday of the church every year. At my former parishes, at coffee hour following the main Pentecost family service, we had red velvet birthday cake with flaming candles, gave red balloons to every person there, and then went outside and released them. As they ascended we said the following Celtic prayer from the "Carmina Gadelica:"

*O Christ of the poor and yearning,
O Christ of the least and homeless,
O Christ of the lost and betrayed,*

*Kindle in my heart within
A flame of love for my neighbor,*

*For my foe, for my friend,
For my kindred all.
From the humblest thing that lives
To the Name that is highest of all
Kindle in my heart within
A flame of love.
Amen.*

God gives us a birthday gift every Pentecost of every year: he renews his gift of the Holy Spirit by re-inflaming the Spirit of love within us. And we thank God for this gift by re-kindling ourselves into action to spread his Word of love. So re-fan your flame – show your love to others! Granted, it's sometimes risky to show love, especially if you don't like the person. But go ahead anyway – risk! Don't be paralyzed by fear of rejection, or fear of being awkward, just do it! If a person rejects your love, that's on him or her, not you, you tried. Consider the young man standing on the porch at the end of a date with the young woman next to him. The young man asked timidly, "Can I kiss you?" The young woman looked up at him and smiled. But said nothing.

After a moment, the young man tried again, but this time said, "I mean *may* I kiss you?" Again, the young woman smiled. But said nothing. "Are you deaf?" he asked. "Are you paralyzed?" she replied.

Pentecost is that time when we, as disciples, are to un-paralyze ourselves. Time to re-kindle the flames of love within ourselves. Then to touch all we encounter – whether we like them or not, or agree with them or not – with the flame of love. At that first Pentecost, the miracle of speaking and hearing in different tongues symbolizes the disciples' call to spread the Gospel to all kinds of different people with different languages.

The great country & western singers, Johnny Cash and his wife, June Carter Cash sang the song "*Ring of Fire*." "*Ring of Fire*" is a love song celebrating the joy and power of love; a "ring of fire" of unbreakable love. At Pentecost we celebrate the re-kindling of the flame of God's love burning within us, and the unbreakable ring of his love that encircles each of us.

The flame burns within you, first to warm your own heart, then to ignite you into action that moves you to carry the warmth of God's love to warm someone else heart.

Most Rev. Fr. Doug Knox
CFA Chaplain
Pentecost 2021





COOKBOOK

Cookbook is still in the process, but slow going. Updates will be given at a later time. However, if you're interested in being a part of this fundraiser please send your recipes to munroalex2017@gmail.com. You will get a byline for your recipe, meaning your name will be under the recipe in the book.



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SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Now that the Scholarship fund has been finished I will be starting to work on the fliers. I am excited to get started students from the ages of 4 to 19 years of age. They will have the opportunity to apply for this scholarship so they can further their learning of their Scottish and/or Celtic history, but is not limited to learning piping, dancing, cooking, language, athletics, or anything else that will help them learn about their heritage.

The Scholarship committee will consider all applications and then a student or students will be awarded a scholarship at the up and coming Tucson Highland Games. The Scholarship Committee Chair is looking forward to awarding this honorary scholarship to student or students that are looking forward to expanding their heritage culture. Scholarship Committee is looking forward to working with the marketing committee, so we can distribute the scholarship applications to schools, dance schools, PTO's and other associations.

MAY POEM

By Robert Burns

O Were My Love Yon Lilac Fair

O were my love yon Lilac fair,
Wi' purple blossoms to the Spring,
And I, a bird to shelter there,
When wearied on my little wing!
How I wad mourn when it was torn
By Autumn wild, and Winter rude!
But I wad sing on wanton wing,
When youthfu' May its bloom renew'd.

O gin my love were yon red rose,
That grows upon the castle wa';
And I myself a drap o' dew,
Into her bonie breast to fa'!
O there, beyond expression blest,
I'd feast on beauty a' the night;
Seal'd on her silk-saft faulds to rest,
Till fley'd awa by Phoebus' light!



Featured Clan



This month our featured Clan is Clan Wallace.

For me all clans are interesting and have lots of history, but I believe that Clan Wallace is a very interesting clan, with tremendous amount of history behind them. I have asked Robert “Bob” Wallace of Clan Wallace to provide a bit of information on Clan Wallace.

Then at the end I have added a bit of history myself on Clan Wallace.

Clan Wallace Society

By Bob Wallace



Bob Wallace has been a member of Clan Wallace Society since 2004, served three terms on

the society’s Executive Board, including three years as president. He and his wife, Lois, have attended Games and Festivals in the U.S. and Canada, and they live in Phoenix, AZ, convene on behalf of Clan Wallace Society at several of the Scottish Games in AZ., and are active with the Caledonian Society of Arizona.

Our society was incorporated in the spring of 1966 by Charles B. Wallace and Joseph P. Wallace. Their immediate aim was to set up a non-profit corporation whose charge it was to learn everything possible about the life of Sir William Wallace, Guardian of Scotland, make that knowledge available to everyone, whether society member or not. The founders’ quest would look at manuscripts and books related to Scotland’s Great Patriot.

It would be an understatement to say the society wasted no time in researching items of William Wallace-related interest to the society and others. One of their first re-printings, dated 1966 by Clan Wallace Society, was *Crawford Genealogical Data*, authored by J. Montgomery Seaver in 1927. William Wallace’s mother is said to have been Margaret or Jean Crawford. (Blind Harry’s *Wallace* named her only as the Crawford daughter.) A copy of that reprinted manuscript has its place in our personal library.

Manuscripts and books long out of print represented only one area of interest to those who founded the society. One overarching desire early on was to locate funding sources to complete the Wallace Monument erected in Elderslie, Scotland, near Glasgow, in 1912 minus several of the plates initially intended for it. Drawings for each of the plates were available, requiring only funding from somewhere to make it happen.

Within four years the society had put together sufficient funding from personal and outside resources to fabricate and mount the bronze plates depicting moments in the life of Wallace based on those early drawings. In 1970, a ceremony was held in Elderslie, Scotland to celebrate the

monument and its completion, including each of the plates originally intended for it.

Other projects would be taken up in following years, including the reprinting of "The Book of Wallace," by the Rev. Charles Rogers. In addition to being the author of a two-volume book on William Wallace, covering both genealogy and events during his life, Rogers was also involved with the committee that would erect the National Wallace Monument near Stirling, Scotland. A number of Clan Wallace members have climbed the 246 steps to reach the top of the Abbey Craig monument to look down on the area where the Battle of Stirling Bridge took place in 1297.

Society functions have included since 1999 the bi-annual Gathering of members at locations in Canada, the United States, and on two occasions, visits to Scotland: the commemoration of Wallace's execution in 1305, and the Battle of Bannockburn in 1314. Our 2005 Gathering included 50 members visiting locations related to William Wallace for a full week, that including a ceremony in Aberdeen arranged by the Wallace 700 Society; more than two dozen members made the trip in 2014 to a redesigned Bannockburn Monument and Visitors Center.

Our society is well represented at many of the Games and Festivals held across the U.S. and Canada each year when not in the midst of a pandemic. While conveners may set up their tent in something other than Wallace-specific exhibits, each is expected to have a basic knowledge of Sir William Wallace and what his brief period in Scots history represents to people all across the world.

History of Clan Wallace

If your lucky enough to be in any clan it is a great thing. Now there is one clan that may people are part of which is Clan Wallace.

Clan Wallace is the Lowlands Scottish Clan and is officially recognized as such by the Lord

Lyon King of Arms. We all know who is the most famous member of the clan, who was the Scottish patriot William Wallace of the late 13th and early 14th centuries. The Wallace family first came to Scotland with a Breton family in the 11th century. David I of Scotland was eager to extend the benefits of Norman influence and gave grants to the nobles of the south. Among them was Walter fitz Alan, who the Scottish king appointed his Steward in 1136. One of Fitzallan's followers was Richard Wallace from Oswestry who came north to try to improve his fortunes. Oswestry is on the Welsh border so it is possible that the name Wallace may be a corruption of Le Waleis meaning the "Welshman". However, while it is possible that the Wallace's were originally Britons from Wales, who came north with David I of Scotland in the eleventh century, another theory is that they were Britons who had settled in Strathclyde in the tenth century.

The Steward received from King David lands in Ayrshire and so it was here that his follower Richard Wallace settled. Richard Wallace was granted his own estate in Kyle, where it is claimed that his name Richard is still remembered in the placename of the village of Riccarton. Richard Wallace (Walensis) held lands in Kilmarnock and was a vassal of the High Steward of Scotland before 1160. His grandson was Adam Walays who in turn had two sons, the eldest of whom succeeded to the family estates in Ayrshire. Adam's younger son was Malcolm Wallace who received the lands of Auchinbothie and Elderslie in Renfrewshire

Malcolm Wallace appears in the Ragman Rolls of 1296 paying allegiance to Edward I of England, however later he was one of the few Scottish nobles who refused to submit to Edward and as a result he and his son, Andrew, were executed. According to some sources Malcolm was the father of the Scottish patriot William Wallace, however the seal of William Wallace, rediscovered in 1999, identifies him as the son of Alan Wallace of Ayrshire, who also appears in the Ragman Roll of 1296 as "crown tenant of Ayrshire". Dr. Fiona Watson in "A Report into Sir William Wallace's

connections with Ayrshire", published in March 1999, reassesses the early life of William Wallace and concludes, "Sir William Wallace was a younger son of Alan Wallace, a crown tenant in Ayrshire".

During the Wars of Scottish Independence William Wallace and Andrew de Moray began a successful military guerrilla campaign against the English. In 1297 they won a great and stunning victory over the English at the Battle of Stirling Bridge, after which Wallace was knighted as *Guardian of Scotland* Wallace was also in command at the Battle of Falkirk in 1298, but there he was defeated by the superiority of the English numbers. Wallace was eventually captured at Robroyston near Glasgow and delivered to Edward Longshanks of England by a senior Scottish law officer – Sir John Mentieth. Wallace was subjected to a show trial, in which he was found guilty of treason and hanged, drawn, and quartered at Smithfield, London in 1305.

17th century and civil war

The Wallace's of Cragie branch descend from the uncle of the patriot, William Wallace, and in 1669 Hugh Wallace of Craigie was created a Baronet of Nova Scotia.

A contemporary Wallace, James Wallace served as a captain under General Robert Monro when he occupied Huntly Castle of the Clan Gordon in 1640. Another contemporary Wallace, Sir Hugh Wallace, a royalist raised a regiment for King Charles Stuart during the Puritan revolution of Oliver Cromwell.

In 1669 Hugh Wallace of Cragie was one of the Scottish nobility who was created a Baronet of Nova Scotia under Sir William Alexander of Menstrie's scheme to promote that part of Canada as a Scottish colony.

Also in the 17th century, mathematician John Wallis was the first to deal with the concept of infinity mathematically and paved the way for the

development of calculus and binomial theorem in his 1657 work *Arithmetica Infinitorum*.

What about the Wallace's in the 19th century

In the 19th century, eminent naturalist and author, Alfred Russel Wallace, developed his own theories on evolution, based on his studies of flora and fauna in South America and in the East Indies, independently of Charles Darwin. Both theories were published simultaneously in 1858. Thomas Wallace served as the vice-president of the British Board of Trade, who in 1821, cut the duties long imposed on Baltic timber; the act heralded the end of the mercantile system that had existed since England had first established colonies. Sociologist Graham Wallas was an early leader of the Fabian Society, along with George Bernard Shaw, an organization which promoted the peaceful and democratic "permeation of (British) politics with socialist and collectivist ideas." Sir Richard Wallace was a great collector of painting, sculpture and furniture, primarily 18th-century French. He bequeathed his collections to the people of Britain; upon his death in 1897 they became known as the National Wallace Collection.

What about the current Chieftain?

The current Chief of the Name and Arms of Wallace is Andrew Robert Wallace, son of former chief Ian Francis Wallace of that Ilk, the latter of which died on 14 May 2016 at the age of 89. Andrew Wallace is the 36th Chief of Clan Wallace.

Ian, the former Chief, was the 35th Chief of the Clan. He became Chief upon the death of his brother, Lt. Col. Malcolm Robert Wallace, on 9 December 1990.

Born 28 September 1926 Ian is the son of Colonel Robert Francis Hunter Wallace of that Ilk and Euphemia Hoskyns. On February 2, 1963 he married Teresa Hyne Buckingham, daughter of Reverend Christopher Leigh Buckingham. Educated

at Stowe School, Buckingham, Buckinghamshire, England. He graduated from New College, Oxford University, Oxford, Oxfordshire, England, with a Master of Arts. He gained the rank of Lieutenant in the service of the Royal Army Service Corps and Arab Legion.

Ian lived with his family in Edinburgh. With Teresa he had three children; Andrew Robert Wallace of that Ilk, younger, Henrietta Katherine Wallace and James Christopher Wallace".

Andrew Wallace was born in February 1964, only 500 yards from the location where William Wallace was executed. Though he was born in England and his mother is English he maintains that he is decidedly Scottish

There are no sept families of Clan Wallace, just Wallace. This is the decision of the current clan chief.

Referenced: Clan Wallace History scotclans.com.
Retrieved 21 June 2014



RECIPES

A Mother's Day Menu

Starter

Cheese Chowder

6 potatoes
3 carrots
2 tbsp chicken bouillon
4 tbsp (1/2 stick butter)
3/4 cup shredded cheese
1/4 cup flour
3/4 cup cold water

Peel and dice carrots and potatoes. Boil in just enough water to cover until done. Add butter and bouillon. Mix flour with water until smooth. Reduce heat and stir into soup. Allow to simmer until thickened, stirring occasionally. Before serving, stir in cheese add salt and pepper to taste.

Main Dish

Veal Scaloppine alias Marsala

1 lb veal thinly sliced
Salt and pepper
1/4 cup Marsala
Flour
3 tsp butter
2 tbsp bouillon

Pound veal lightly till very thin. Dredge with flour. Season with salt and pepper. Heat butter in skillet.

Add veal. Brown veal on both sides, add wine. Cook one more minute over moderately high heat.

Transfer the meat to warm platter. Add bouillon to pan drippings. Scrape loose all brown particles and bring to a boil. Pour over veal. Saute 1/2 lb. sliced mushrooms in 2 tsp butter. Spoon over veal and serve.

Side Dish

Stuffed Zucchini Boats

6 med zucchini
1-12 oz can whole kernel corn
2 tsp. seasoned salt
2 eggs, beaten
1/4 cup chopped chives
1/2 cup grated cheese

Drain corn. Cut off the ends of zucchini, but do not pare. Cook whole in boiling water for 5 to 7 minutes. Cut in half lengthwise. Carefully remove centers. Chop up and combine with corn, salt, eggs, and chives. Pile mixture lightly into zucchini shells. Place in long 2 qt. Baking dish. Sprinkle with cheese. Bake uncovered at 350 for 30 minutes or until brown on top.

Dessert

Light Cranberry Mousse

32 oz nonfat plain yogurt
1/2 cup whole cranberry sauce
1/4 cup rolled oats
6 fresh mint sprigs for garnish

Drain yogurt for 1 hour. Toast oats at 350 for 15 minutes. Beat yogurt until lite and smooth. Fold in toasted oats. With rubber spatula, gently swirl in cranberry sauce. Cover and refrigerate for 2 hours. Serve in wine glasses and garnish with mint leaves.

Drink



Ingredients

1 cup 200gr sugar
1 cup raspberries
½ cup blueberries
1 orange thinly sliced
1 grapefruit thinly sliced
¼ cup 60ml triple sec
1 bottle 750ml rose Moscato

Instructions

Boil 1 cup of water in a small saucepan over high heat.

Add sugar and stir until dissolved.
Remove from heat and let it cool. Simple syrup is ready.

Put the fruits in a large pitcher.
Add triple sec and half of the cooled simple syrup.

Then fill the pitcher with Moscato.
Stir everything and taste. If needed, add more simple syrup to taste.

Refrigerate for at least 2 hours, or overnight, before serving.



Celtic Book Corner

How many of you like to read? Well I thought in this issue I could focus on our children. It has been a difficult time for everyone, especially the children. So I want to connect the children with the magic of Gaelic traditions & cultures, so I have put them here in the Celtic book corner section. It will give you a chance to choose what book you would like to read, or read to children, or maybe search your family history. I hope you enjoy it.

Let's look at the The Tattoo Handbook series:



The Scottish Gaelic Tattoo Handbook

The Irish Gaelic Tattoo Handbook

The Welsh Tattoo Handbook

The Scots Tattoo Handbook

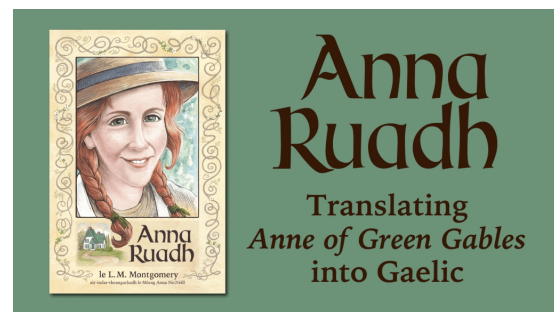


The Paper Bag Princess

By: Robert Munsch

Favorite book of children

This book has been translated into Scottish Gaelic



Anne of Green Gables

By: L. M. Montgomery



Greetings/Hullo

Well we're into our seventh Gaelic Language Class. It has been rather challenging for me, especially doing something I am not used to doing. I hope you're enjoying the classes. Do you feel that you can hold a conversation in Gaelic, or do you feel that you are learning anything?

Can you remember what you have learned? If so, do you understand what you are reading? If you do, you're a third of the way there! You can also go to this website and try the beginner classes online.

<https://www.learnghaelic.scot/lg-beginners/index.jsp>

Just remember if your having a problem just be patient. No matter what type of course you take, it takes time to learn a language. Just remember that if you put in the time and effort, then *beag air bheag*, little by little, you will get there.

You must also understand that not every course or teacher's style will work for you, or anyone else for that matter, so you must give it a fair chance and then if it's not working for you, try something different.

To ask how someone is, you would say:
'How are you?' ciamar a tha sibh?

There are two words for 'you' in Gaelic: **sibh** and **thu**.

Use **thu** when you speak to a child or friend.

Use **sibh** to talk to someone older than you, someone in authority or more than one person.

You If in doubt, use **sibh**.

thank you tapadh leibh
I'm well, thank you tha gu math, tapadh leibh

If you are talking to a child or a friend, use tapadh leat.

thank you tapadh leat

good morning madainn mhath

good morning to you madainn mhath dhuibh

good day to you latha math dhuibh

good afternoon feasgar math

good afternoon to you feasgar math dhuibh

public telephone fòn poblach
Welcome Wylcome

Where are you from? Whaur ye fae?
 Whaur ar ye fae?
 Whaur dae ye come
 fae?

public toilet/convenience taigh-beag poblach

You can agree with somebody by saying:
it is, it is lovely tha, tha i brèagha

Hello. Halò.
It's lovely today Tha i brèagha an-diugh.

Looking for an organization that you can sink your teeth into, wanting to learn where your clan comes from? Well look no further. Tucson Celtic Festival is the organization for you. You can learn about your clan, learn how to dance, play bag pipes, listen to music, or maybe learn how to throw a caber. Whatever your reason we are here for you. Membership is open to anyone who has a Celtic connection and we would like to have you as member.

If you would like to become a member go to <http://tucsoncelticfestival.org/> and sign up

Our Charity of the Year is the Tucson St. Patrick's Day Parade and Festival!

The St. Patrick's Day Parade and Festival has been a beloved Tucson tradition for years. Unfortunately they had to cancel in 2020 and again this year in 2021 due to Covid-19 and it is sorely missed. We won't stand by and watch one of our dearest events disappear so we are thrilled to announce our support for them in these troubled times and invite you to consider supporting them as well! You can find them at [Tucson St. Patricks Day Parade Festival](#)



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Slainté!

I love people, and I love writing, I also have the Gift of the Gab!

I know a lot of you know me, however; for those of you who are new to TCFA, I would like to introduce myself, and my background. I am Lady Alexandra MacPherson-Munro (my official title). I am the editor for the TCFA newsletter. I have been associated with TCFA since 2005. Which was their 19th Annual Highland games. I have had the opportunity to write for two amazing magazines, Celtic Family Magazine, Royal Central Magazine online, I've also had the pleasure of writing for Daughter of Scotia-Spirit of Alba Lodge #264 newsletters (2 years). I've been the official photographer for TCFA for the past three years. I have also supplied photos to the St. Patrick's Day parade for their program, as well as Desert Shamrock magazine. I've also had the privilege of being the official photographer for the Arizona Renaissance Festival (2 years).

My associated clans are MacPherson, Munro, Chattan, and Gow which is a sept of Chattan clan. I also just found out that I am connected to Clan McGregor, as well as McAlister, which I find extremely exciting. I'm also the Past Chief Daughter of Spirit of Alba Lodge #264, Tucson, Arizona. I continue to learn about my Scottish heritage and my clans.

I encourage all members to get involved, and take and interest in the games, and I invite you to submit stories about your clans, athletes, dancers, pipers, or whatever you wish to share. What about your favorite vendor? I would like to know who your favorite vendor is. I will continue to keep you up to date on upcoming events.

I will do my utmost best to provide a well-informed newsletter to you all. I welcome all your ideas and your input, and I hope you will give me your feedback, as well as any information you would like to see.

Cheers,
Lady Alexandra MacPherson-Munro
Editor and Photographer