

CLANLINE

JARDINE



CLAN SOCIETY



Our new Chief at work on the hill.

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Welcome to all new Members!

WHO'S WHO IN THE JARDINE CLAN SOCIETY

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WHAT THE SOCIETY OFFERS

Membership costs just £3 a year or £45 for life. As well as becoming part of a worldwide network of families you are invited to the Clan Society Gathering in Dumfries-shire, Scotland every second year and your Branch may also have gatherings. You receive *Clanline* free.

The tartan is available only to society members and you can order it through Sir Alec. We try to vary the

other goods that are available and this year's new idea is clan candles.

You also have the benefit of the exhaustive research work of Violet Jardine in tracing family trees and finding links between people. She is on the Council of the Scottish Genealogical Society and she gives us an insight into her work in this issue.

CHIEF'S LETTER



DENBIE, LOCKERBIE

Dear Clan members

It is hard to sit down and write to you following as I am in the steps of my father. He formed this clan society out of his own determination to bring Jardines together and give members a sense of their history as a clan and a sense of belonging to a worldwide group of families. He worked extremely hard to build up this identity and I look to you all to help me keep the momentum going and the society thriving.

Thank you all for your letters of condolence. They were a great comfort.

It seems to me the society has a dual purpose. It first provides a means of finding out about our ancestors and clan history. It also gives us a chance to meet as many people as possible who are connected with the Jardines, Gardynes and the many other similar names.

This newsletter goes to all members and is the opportunity for voicing opinions and exchanging points of news and views and I hope you will use it for that. All contributions are very welcome.

I am looking forward to meeting as many members as possible at the 1987 Gathering in Dumfriesshire. I hope you will be there and maybe combine it with a visit to Edinburgh at Festival time. We are also hoping that children and teenagers will be able to join us if they are still on school holidays.

At the AGM in August 1986 we discussed setting up an ancestry research fund which my father first mentioned in 1985. We decided to call it the Sir William Jardine Memorial Research Fund and it starts in a positive

way with £200 from an anonymous donor.

When enough funds have come in it may be worth buying a computer for storing the information amassed by Violet Jardine, our genealogical secretary. She traces family trees and fits them together like a jigsaw, and a computer would reduce the paper work and make it easier to link up individuals and branches.

I have just completed three courses of evening classes in computers in the hope of finding out if this would be possible. All I can say is that it is possible – just a great deal more complicated than I had imagined! Perhaps we could have some help from John Jardine in the Canada Western Branch.

Tom Jardine, our treasurer, is making sure the society's finances are in a healthy state to pay the society's expenses as well as subsidising enjoyable gatherings, this newsletter, a huge postal bill and stocks of clan goods.

The T-shirts introduced last year have been a great success and this year we have candles printed with the clan crest badge.

Finally I would like to welcome all new members as well as our one hundredth life member, and on behalf of you all express our thanks to Tom, Violet and to our Secretary Mary Hastings, who ensure the society can fulfil its purpose.

Robert Jardine of Applebyth.

Mr. Thomas R. Jardine, of Burn Crescent, New Stevenston, Lanarkshire, Scotland has penned this tribute to our late chief, Sir William:

SIR WILLIAM DIED APRIL 1986

No more by Annan's stream he'll stand,
To view that grand Masonic pile.
The home of his ancestral band,
Who ruled the clan, with verve and guile.

A Border clan, brave, staunch and true,
They reived, and fought, with might sincere,
Rallying round the "Spur" which flew,
With "Cave Adsum", written clear.

The 22nd in the line,
Of those brave chieftains of our clan.
His gifts, and acumen define,
A proud and honourable man.

We loved him, benefactor, guide,
This noble knight, and all agree,
We honour him who formed, with pride,
The Jardine Clan Society.

Alas! He's gone to his reward
And we, who honoured him as chief,
Remembered still, with due regard,
And share his loved ones pain and grief.
Tho' The Circle's broken, and he has gone,
This cry rings out, midst all our grief,
(Unbroken still, the line goes on).
The Chief is dead, long live the Chief!

TOUR WITHOUT TICKETS

SIR WILLIAM AND LADY JARDINE SET OUT to fly without tickets to the other side of the world in October 1985. They managed to persuade British airport officials that the tickets had got lost in the post and they disembarked still ticketless in Australia without being arrested as illegal immigrants.

There followed a hectic eight weeks rarely sleeping twice in the same beds and enjoying Australian and New Zealand hospitality. Jardine society members entertained them as part of their families and showed them spectacular sights in the two countries. Added to this there was a gruelling week of parades and public appearances in the Scottish week in Sydney.

It was a tour of contrasts like this and a time for making many new friends. They returned to Britain (with tickets by this time) exhilarated and exhausted.

GOOD REPORTS IN NEW ZEALAND NEWSPAPERS

The trip to New Zealand was well documented in the newspapers. Here are two of the stories which were included in the New Zealand branch newsletter, itself an excellent publication.

JARDINE CHIEF ON TOUR

Part of a resurgence of interest in family backgrounds and the tracing of ancestry has brought the 22nd chief of the Scottish Clan Jardine, Colonel Sir William Jardine, to New Zealand to meet with clan family members on this side of the globe.

Sir William and his wife, Lady Jardine of Applegirth, in Scotland, arrived in Queenstown yesterday as part of their brief New Zealand tour, to meet with clan members in the Wakatipu district.

They will be hosted by the chairman of the New Zealand branch of the clan and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Jardine, formerly of Remarkables station near Queenstown.

"So many more people are wanting to know their backgrounds and trace their family heritage," Sir William said on arrival at Queenstown airport yesterday.

The clan even had a genealogical secretary back in



Sir William with Captain Grahame Jardine-Vidgen (right) and Mr. Murray H. L. Jardine in Sydney.

Scotland, who knew every Jardine clan member in the world that had been traced. This secretary was kept busy tracing family histories from all over the world.

OLDER

Most of the people interested in tracing their backgrounds were older people, wanting to trace their ancestry before they had emigrated from Scotland, Sir William said.

He was always being approached by interested clan members, many of them from Canada, who were looking for their relatives.

"They always appear on our front door and its great," he said.

Many of them would travel the world staying with other clan members that they had looked up along the way and they would discover cousins and second cousins that they did not know they had in many countries.

The clan held gatherings every two years back in Scotland and representatives from many countries would attend. The clan extended to America, Canada, South Africa, Australia and New Zealand and was a strong clan, but could not yet match the strength of the Campbells and Camerons, he said.

QUOTE OF THE SEASON

The English winter - ending in July
To recommence in August.
(Byron 1788-1824)

People in the UK have been complaining about this year's atrocious summer. Maybe things haven't changed that much!



ONE DAY IS OKAY

Catholics getting all snuffy at the thought of only a one-day visit by the Pope, could look to the Clan Jardine Society for inspiration.

This week it had to turn on a day's amusement for Sir William Jardine of Applegirth, the 22nd Chief of the clan, who was whizzing through on his way to Sydney.

They took him to the Helensville hot springs, the Puhoi pub and Orewa, where they all took one another's snaps in Hillary Square with the Sir Edmund statue in the background.

Then out to Mangere they went and put him on the plane, proving that one-day visits are entirely possible.

TRIBUTES PAID TO SIR WILLIAM JARDINE

TRIBUTES have been paid to Sir William Jardine of Applegirth who died at his home at Denbie, Dalton, on April 19, 1986 at the age of 69.

Sir William, chief of the Clan Jardine, was about to retire after 23 years council service to the old Dumfries County Council, Annandale and Eskdale District Council, and Dumfries and Galloway Regional Council.

During a long military career he was a member of the Queen's Bodyguard for Scotland and the Royal Company of Archers and when he retired from the regular Army as a Major in 1960 he took a deep interest in the local Territorial Army (T.A.).

From 1963 to 67 he was lieutenant colonel commander and then brevet colonel and in 1966 he was awarded the OBE for services to the T.A. He was chairman of Solway River Purification Board, a member of the National Advisory Committee on Oil Pollution of the Sea, and a serving Justice of the Peace.

MP for Dumfriesshire Sir Hector Monro said Sir William had given a lifetime's service to his country, in the King's Own Scottish Borderers and as a local councillor.

"He was extremely interested in many voluntary causes and none of them was too small for him to follow" through in the interests of those he represented. It is a sad day for Dumfriesshire and our hearts go out to Lady Jardine and her family," said Sir Hector.

Mr. John Jameson, convenor of Dumfries and Galloway Regional Council, said "He served his country, his community and his family exceptionally well. As a soldier he served his country both in war and peace.

"His careful and wise judgement was of great value to us all. He cared not only for his own immediate family but also for the Jardine family world wide and devoted much time and effort to their welfare."

Mr. Arthur Jardine, chairman of the Clan Jardine Society's executive committee said it was with deep

regret that they heard of the death of Sir William, who was Clan Chief.

"It was at Sir William's instigation that a few of us were approached regarding the feasibility of starting a Clan Society and largely through his enthusiasm the inaugural meeting of the Jardine Clan Society was held at Denbie in October 1976, and the Clan was officially formed in March 1977".

"The growth of the clan has been spectacular, we now have a world wide membership of over 800 with branches in Canada, America and Australia. Without the tremendous amount of time and hard work given by Sir William these results would not have been possible".

"Speaking for Clanspeople all over the world I can honestly say we have lost a most respected Chief. We send our sympathy to his widow and family and pledge loyalty to our new Chief, Sir William's son, Alexander."

Over 270 mourners packed Dalton Kirk for the funeral. The service was conducted at Sir William's request by the Rev. Keith Angus, minister at Crathie where the Queen worships when she is at Balmoral. He was chaplain to Sir William's regiment.

Mr. Angus was assisted by the Rev. Jack Owen, Minister of Lochmaben and Applegarth Kirk where society members worshipped before the 1985 Gathering.

Sir William's coffin was adorned with his personal banner and he was piped out of the Kirk by a lone piper playing a lament.

ADDRESS

Mr. Angus said in his address:-

Throughout his life Bill Jardine was always ready to serve and do his duty, first in the army and Territorial Army, and then in that part of Dumfriesshire where his family had long and deep roots. A good organiser, he was not afraid of responsibility and was always ready to say what he thought. When he took part in something, whether Church or some local committee, he always did his best to see that matters went well, for he hated the slipshod and careless.

WISH FULFILLED

SIR WILLIAM HAD ALWAYS WANTED to visit Australia and New Zealand. The opportunity came when he was invited to attend the Scottish Week in Sydney organised by the Scottish Australian Heritage Trust in November 1985.

The warmth of welcome we received in Queensland, New South Wales, Victoria and New Zealand from Jardines and many sept names was unbelievable. Their hospitality was most generous with endless trouble taken over our comfort and well-being.

It would be impossible even to attempt to name everyone who contributed to our happiness. We owe so much to so many people.

Perhaps one of the highlights in Australia was to meet Sir William's cousin Mrs. Jackie Sheldon, daughter of Frank Jardine and Sana Solia, niece of Maleatoa,



Sir William with Mrs Jackie Sheldon

King of Samoa, at the Gathering at Lone Pine Safari Park, Brisbane and later have a meal with her in her home. She had recently celebrated her 92nd birthday.

In New Zealand we saw the awe-inspiring Remarkables Mountains and discovered that the photographs and descriptions of them in Dickson Jardine's book were no exaggeration!

The trip fulfilled a lifelong ambition and confirmed Sir William's belief that the clan family is beyond, outside and above division between nations and countries and continents. It takes no note of age or sex, rank or wealth, success or failure. The spiritual link of clanship embraces all.

I shall never forget the privilege of sharing this experience with him.

ANN JARDINE

100th LIFE MEMBER

One of the clan society's founder members, Mr. Martin E. Jardine, of 5 Shield Close, Blackfell, Washington, Tyne and Wear, has become our 100th Life Member. He travels all over the north east of England investigating insurance claims. His wife, Beryl, is a nurse, and they are hoping to be able to come to the 1987 gathering.

FLAGS FOR CLANSPEOPLE

You may have had problems identifying the Jardine Clan group at Highland Games and Gatherings.

Up till now there has not been any authorised sign for clanspeople to use in the absence of the chief or his representative so the Court of the Lord Lyon has suggested a choice of two flags, a banner and gonfalon.

The banner is flown from a vertical pole which is attached to one side. The gonfalon is suspended from a horizontal cross bar along its top edge. You can choose whichever is convenient in the circumstances.

OPTIONAL FRINGES

The Lord Lyon has laid down that both types will be 36 inches, that is 92.8 centimetres, square excluding the optional fringes. The gonfalon, as you can see from the diagram, has a shallow triangle added to its lower edge, ending in a point which may be tied to the vertical pole.

Both flags show the crest badge, comprising the chief's crest within a strap and buckle inscribed with his motto, "Cave Adsum".

NO NAME

The Lord Lyon stresses that the name of the clan should not be added as we should know our own crest badge.

The field of the flags is to be the chief's livery colour, bright red, and the crest badge is to be the metal of his Arm, silver, which is shown as white.

These are examples of the new clan flags provided by the Court of the Lord Lyon at H.M. Register House in Edinburgh.

Both flags may have an optional fringe around the free edge. This should be white like the crest badge. The flags may be made of any material suitable for the intended use and what you can afford. The Lyon suggests that the banner is best made of cotton or cotton and nylon bunting for flying from a pole in a strong wind.

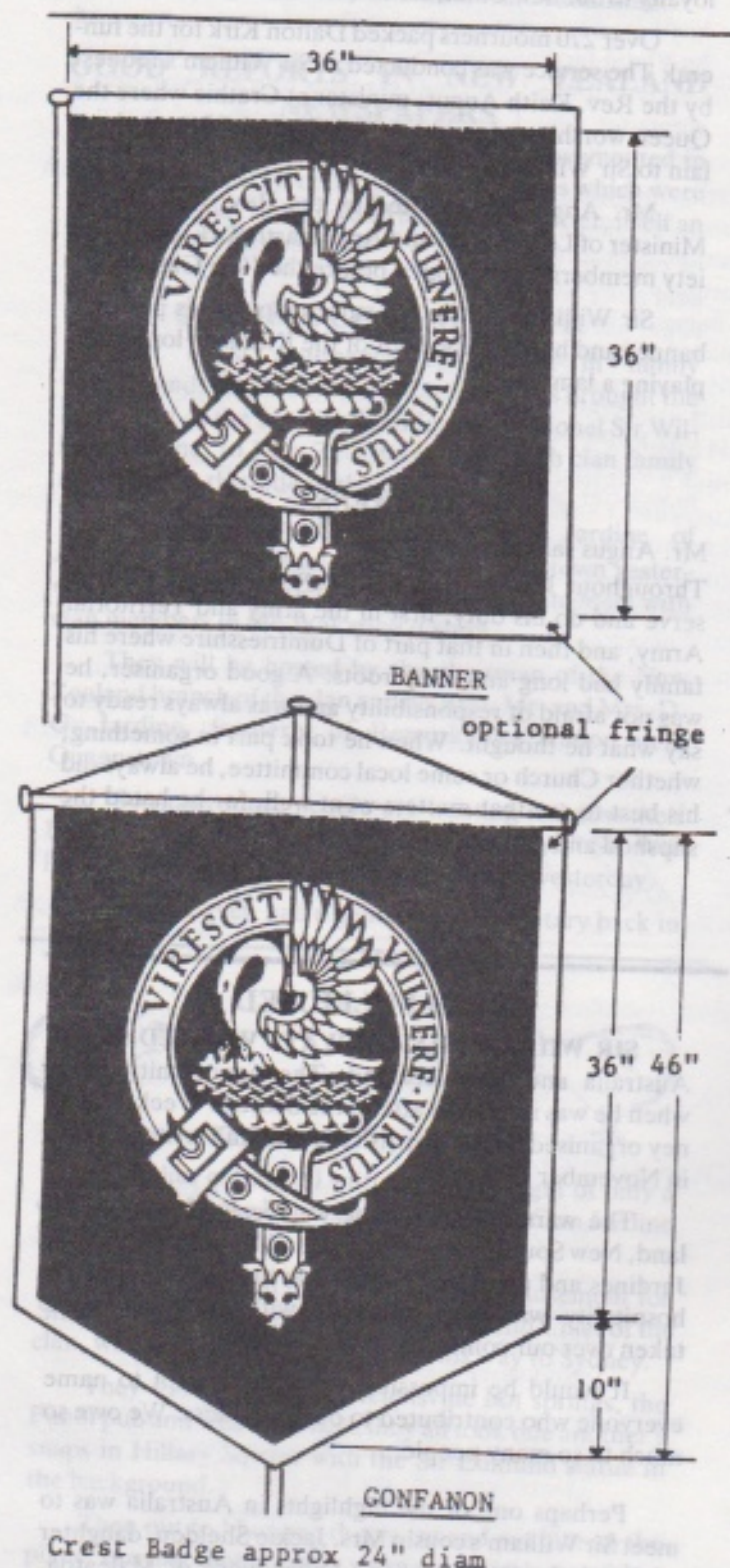
The crest badge can be hand painted or screen printed on it.

SILK FLAG

You may find the gonfalon is better for carrying in processions. It too can be made of bunting or some super material like silk or silk damask with the crest badge and fringe embroidered in bullion thread.

The Lyon insists that the clan flag should not be flown in the presence of the chief or his delegated representative since it is intended to identify the clan group in the absence of the chief's own banner or standard.

The authority for its display at any time and place resides with the chief. Sir Alec is happy for the flags to be used by Jardines' at meeting and gatherings.



We are among the first to have our own clan candles. Bright red candles are printed with the clan crest badge in black. White candles carry the badge in silver.

They come boxed in pairs and cost £2.

A UNIQUE ADDITION TO YOUR TABLE,
SIDEBOARD AND MANTLEPIECE.

JARDINE – THE VICAR WHO SEALED THE KNOT ON A CONSTITUTIONAL CRISIS

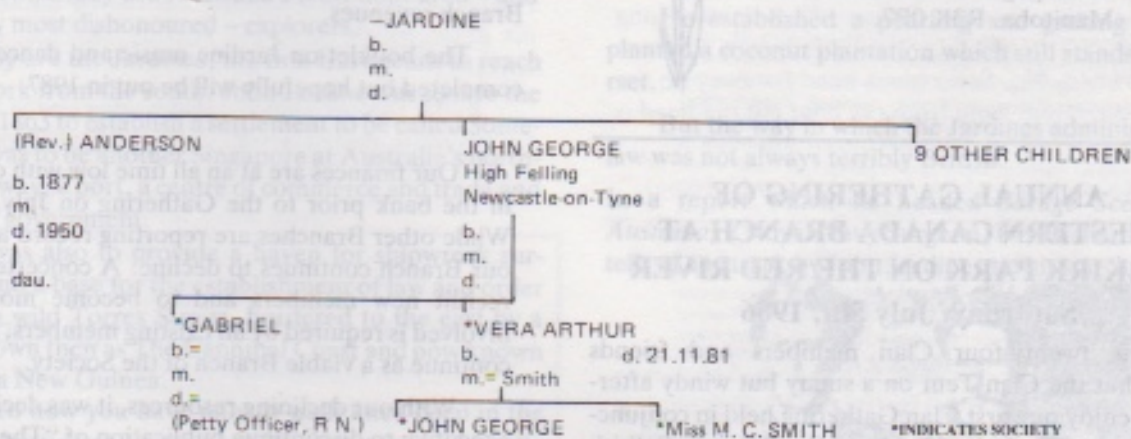
The death of the Duchess of Windsor in Paris on April 24, 1986 brought the name of the Reverend Anderson Jardine back into the news after nearly 50 years.

It was he who sealed the knot on the marriage of the former King Edward VIII to the woman he loved, the divorcee Mrs. Wallis Simpson.

Mr. Anderson performed the marriage service at the Chateau de Candé in France on June 3, 1937.

Eleven days later he resigned his living as vicar of St. Paul's, Darlington in Yorkshire where he had been since 1927. The Bishop of Durham replied tersely "I can have no hesitation in accepting your resignation".

After all, Mr. Anderson had volunteered to perform a service that seemed to many to sound a death knell for the British Royal Family. He had also married



a divorced woman in church, a practice that is still unacceptable in the Church of England.

BISHOP

After leaving Darlington Mr. Anderson went to America where he became involved in a church with a small following not recognised by the Anglican Communion. In fact it was so small that having been consecrated a bishop in 1941 in America he went to South Africa to find a larger congregation.

In 1948 he declared he had been made a bishop of the South African Episcopal Protestant Church, and died in March 1950 at his daughter's home in Bedfordshire.

It was sad that his part in British constitutional his-

tory should have made him leave the mainstream churches.

FINE PREACHER

It is on record in the Shetland archives that at the age of 24 he was a Wesleyan Methodist missionary based at Westerskeld in 1901 where he lodged with the tailor, and at Sandwick in 1903. It seems he was attached to a circuit of the Methodist Church as a pastor prior to full ordination, and he is remembered as a fine preacher. Shetlanders were always keen to hear his services – but there could still be language problems.

SJETLAND PUDDING

This story is recalled by Mrs. Stella Shepherd, of Sandwick a Jardine Clan Society member. "The people with whom Rev. Anderson Jardine lodged lived upon rather frugal fare as did most Shetlanders then. At the table meat was set before him, and this was the only course served.

"He asked whether there was to be any pudding. This was where the misunderstanding arose.

"He used the word 'pudding' in its southern sense – some sweet dish served as a second course.

"However, to Shetlanders, 'pudding' meant simply one thing, and that was sheep's pudding, a savoury oatmeal dish somewhat akin to haggis.

"The following day for dinner meat was served, followed by a sheep's pudding, and day after day this continued, until at last the worried housewife had to admit to him "There's nae mair puddings until the next killing!"

FAMILY TREE

Mr. Anderson left Sandwick in 1903 and we can find no further record of him until he emerged as a deacon of the Church of England in 1923, became a priest in 1924 and took up the living at St. Paul's, Darlington in 1927.

St Paul's has since been demolished and the parish has been amalgamated with the church of St. Mark's.

His family tree is included here, his niece Miss Smith of Cricklewood, London and his nephew Mr. Smith of Barnet, Herts, being clan society members. Violet Jardine, our Genealogical Secretary, would be pleased to have any information to fill this tree.

TULIP TIME GATHERING

Are you interested?

Society members the world over are invited to a cross country Clan Jardine Gathering in Ontario in tulip time 1988 to celebrate the society's tenth anniversary in Canada.

This gathering in mid-May in Ottawa is being planned by Donald R. Jardine, Commissioner for Canada, and he has a full programme of entertainment for those who attend. This includes a banquet, sight seeing tours around Ottawa and Parliament building, tours on a Rideau canal boat and trips to see the changing of the guard and the National Arts Centre - all in one weekend!

Members would stay at the Holiday Inn in the centre of Ottawa and the projected room rate for two people sharing a room would be \$75.00.

Donald is trying to determine if there is enough interest in this kind of gathering so if you would like to know more please send your name direct to him -

Donald R. Jardine,
66 Pottinger Street,
Lindsay,
Ontario, K9V 3Y1.

Archie Jardine wants the names of anyone interested in joining a charter flight for the 1987 Scots Gathering from Canada. Please ask him NOW for details!

Archie Jardine,
45 Magellan Bay,
Winnipeg,
Manitoba, R3K 0P7.



ANNUAL GATHERING OF WESTERN CANADA BRANCH AT SELKIRK PARK ON THE RED RIVER Saturday, July 5th, 1986

Some twenty-four Clan members and friends gathered at the Clan Tent on a sunny but windy afternoon to enjoy our first Clan Gathering held in conjunction with the Manitoba Highland Gathering at Selkirk Park.

The atmosphere of the larger Highland Gathering, together with the pool, rides and other diversions, were enjoyed by the members who brought their young families and commend the occasion and the site for future gatherings.

We were all saddened by the sudden and untimely death of our Chief, Sir William Jardine.

Plans for organizing charter flights to Scotland for a massed attendance of Canadian members at the 1987 Gathering in Lockerbie are progressing well. Manitoba members and others within economic travelling distance have access to a charter flight being organised by the St. Andrews Society for the last week of August and first two weeks of September, 1987. Some 14 members have indicated their intention to attend to date.

SCOTTISH TOUR

Don Jardine of Winsole, P.E.I., Chairman of the Atlantic Provinces Branch, is organizing a tour of Scotland following the 1987 gathering and would like to know of any members attending the Gathering might wish to participate in the tour.

Our Branch has affiliated with the United Scottish Association of Winnipeg, and umbrella organisation with representatives from all Scottish organizations in Manitoba thus confirming our legitimate place in the Scottish Community.

Archie Jardine is currently chairing a committee of the United Scottish to examine the feasibility of building a Scottish Culture and Heritage Centre in Winnipeg.

RECIPES WANTED

Our Cookbook project being managed by John Jardine of Winnipeg is still current and submissions of recipes and family anecdotes are still required to make this project a success. Submissions should be mailed to:

John Jardine
37 Burnaby Bay
Winnipeg, Manitoba, R2C 2X8.

The tape "Salute to Applegirth" produced by our Branch has enjoyed considerable success with some 122 tapes sold to date. We now need only to sell six more tapes to cover the expense of production and the proceeds from the remaining thirty tapes will be credited to Branch revenues.

The booklet on Jardine music and dances was not completed but hopefully will be out in 1987.

Our finances are at an all time low with only \$12.10 in the bank prior to the Gathering on July 5th, 1986. While other Branches are reporting record attendance, our Branch continues to decline. A concerted effort to recruit new members and to become more actively involved is required by all existing members, if we are to continue as a viable Branch of the Society.

With our declining resources, it was decided by our executive to discontinue publication of "The Reiver" in favour of contributing directly to the revitalized newsletter "Clanline" from Scotland, which is now doing such an excellent job of reporting Branch activities. A short newsletter will continue to inform local members of Branch activities.

The executive for 1986/87 is as follows:-

Chairman:	Archie Jardine - Winnipeg Manitoba.
Secretary:	Marie Jardine - Winnipeg, Manitoba.
Councillors:	Ken Jardine - Winnipeg, Manitoba.
	John Jardine - Winnipeg, Manitoba.
	Ron Jardine - Brookdale, Manitoba.
	Jean Jardine - Regina, Saskatchewan.

The annual dues for both Branch and Parent Society amounting to \$10.00 are now due.

Wishing you all health and happiness in the year ahead.

Archie O. Jardine,
Chairman.

ROUGH JUSTICE OF THE JARDINES

This brilliant story about the descendants of the sixth baronet appeared in THE WEEKEND AUSTRALIAN MAGAZINE in July 1986.



John Jardine: Empire Builder

One of the north's great rivers is named after them but otherwise they are Australia's least honoured – and some say most dishonoured – explorers.

They are the Jardines, the first Europeans to reach Cape York from the south. John Jardine was sent to the Cape in 1863 to establish a settlement to be called Somerset. It was to be another Singapore at Australia's northern gateway, a port, a centre of commerce and trade and a hub of government.

It was also to provide a haven for shipwreck survivors and a base for the establishment of law and order over the wild Torres Straits, bordered to the east by a land known then as The Cannibal Coast and now known as Papua New Guinea.

Even now you have only to walk knee deep in the mud at low tide at Somerset to see why it failed dismally as a port. The settlement was closed in 1879 and abandoned as a seat of government in favour of Thursday Island.

One of those who walked knee deep in the mud of Somerset recently at the opening of Air Queensland's new top-of-the-cape Wilderness Lodge was a descendant of the Jardines, Grahame Jardine-Vidgen.

Mr. Jardine-Vidgen's family was evacuated from the area in 1942 when he was still a baby. His uncle, a Major S. Sheldon and his son were by then on Aru Island in the Celebes. Major Sheldon took with him from Somerset 41 volumes of the diaries of John's son, Frank Jardine.

They included all his notes and scraps of paper and exercise books of stories of the wild times of the end of last century along with treasure retrieved from a boat

wrecked in the straits during that time and reputed to have contained a quarter of a ton of bullion.

Sheldon and his son were beheaded by the Japanese during the war after being discovered to have been taking part in coast watch operations for the Allies. All the diaries and treasure are gone. Sheldon's widow, Elizabeth Hamilton Sana Lascelles Sheldon, is now more than 90 and living in a Brisbane nursing home.

She has in her possession one of the few official forms of recognition ever given to the Jardines for their pioneering work in Cape York, a gold watch presented to Frank in 1884 by the Royal Geographic Society. A similar watch was presented to his brother Alick.

Frank was 22 and Alick 20 when with 10 men they drove 250 head of cattle and 42 horses from Rockhampton in Central Queensland to the Cape to join their father John.

By the time Captain John Jardine, gold commissioner and police magistrate, had set up his kingdom and seen his boys complete their long trek in 1865 the official interest in Somerset was already waning, affected in part by distance and the apathy of the bureaucracy as well as the unsuitability of the port to serve the British Government's plan for a strategic outpost to guard the increasingly important sea lane between the Indian and Pacific oceans. The British marines were recalled in 1867.

By 1872 only six white settlers were left at Somerset. The settlement was serviced by ship three times a year from Sydney and in one year alone, 1866, 40 survivors from three shipwrecks were returned to Sydney on these ships.

He established a pearling and grazing business, planted a coconut plantation which still stands at Somerset.

But the way in which the Jardines administered the law was not always terribly British.

In a report which he headed *Savage Scenes from Australia*, a Royal Navy Surgeon, Dr. Richard Cannon, tells of an attack by John Jardine and his sons and British



Sons John, Robert and Alick: Rugged Pioneers

marines on a group of islanders basking on a sunny beach.

"In silence we hid ourselves and like deer stalkers on some Scottish hill when the herd is browsing in fancied peace beside some mountain tarn, we scaled a wooded height and creeping beneath covering boughs we stole down to the beach.

"Behind some sea-worn rocks we crouched and watched the moment when the prey would fall into the hunters net. Soon from the cover of a projecting headland the boat, urged by the sinewy arms of four strong rowers, shot into the calm blue seas and as it came the savages took the alarm.

In a moment they were in the canoe and making for the shore and paddling with frantic strokes their frail bark.

"Now for it," rasped old Jardine, as he cocked his rifle.

"Just then some instinct seemed to animate the savages or else they had perceived us and they headed toward the ocean making foam tracks in their wake. But all in vain, relentless as fat, the marines' boat gains on them, gains and gains while faster and faster in this race for life the paddles flash in the sunlight.

"We saw one of the natives topple over, grasp frantically at his paddle and bound into the air. The blue waters closed over him and the sharks rejoiced. Now flash, flash, flash from the boat and three black figures are only to be seen, delving furiously into the sea with frantic paddles.

"Now into the sea go the dark forms. They have taken to the water, they are going to dive. Fancy a long dive for life. When will they come up, never, they are shot or drowned. No. See a black head far away on the surface, bang, bang, bang from the boat but the head is down again.

"Duck shooting by Jove," cries Johnny (Jardine)."

JARDINES ON T.V. - GRAHAME'S HOPE

Grahame Jardine-Vidgen has researched his family history back to 1066 and the Battle of Hastings but it is the battles of his more recent ancestors in the far more rugged fields of Cape York which have fascinated him and which he thinks would make a good television mini-series.

"John and his sons, Frank and Alick, were given no official recognition anywhere. Even when I was growing up 20 years ago people knew nothing about the Jardines and yet it is written up as one of the greatest treks overland apart from the explorers who went from South Australia to Darwin and these sort of places," he said.

Jardines who actually settled the area and stayed there for a hundred years got nothing so Grahame, 44, an officer with the National Bank in Brisbane, now hopes to put the record straight.

He has given the chairman of Air Queensland, Sir Sydney Williams, a brass plaque to place at Somerset in memory of the Jardines. It will be placed near the Jardine cemetery.

He commented on Dr. Richard Cannon's account



Son Frank: Fearsome Reputation

This battle followed the theft of some horses from the settlement.

Today, more than 100 years after the settlement was officially closed, people are coming back to Somerset in greater numbers than ever before through trips organised by the Cape York Wilderness Lodge.

As they listen to the rustle of the palm trees over the old homestead site and stumble through the rocky walls of the overgrown garden leading down to the beach, old Frank Jardine whom legend had buried standing up in his grave overlooking the Albany Passage, might be amused.

Frank Jardine's grave may become one of the country's newest tourist attractions. Perhaps then he will make it into the history books.

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of Jardines' attack on a group of islanders "I consider this to be very fanciful". He could not credit Johnny Jardine with the exclamation "Duck shooting by Jove", when the white men fired at Aborigines in the water.

Their family tree is included in the eighth newsletter which appeared in 1984.

GENEALOGY GENIUS

Genealogy is definitely a subject for people who like to get up and go with style.

Our genius with the family trees, Violet Jardine, has just treated herself to a bright red open-topped Scimitar sports car.

Violet graduated with a Master of Arts degree in French and German from St Andrews University.

Here she gives an account of the Scottish Genealogy Society, the top authority on Scots families through the generations. Violet was given the honour of being elected to the society's council last year and she tells us:

Membership of the Scottish Genealogy Society, SGS, can be very useful for Clan Society members who

are specially interested in finding out more about their family history and tracing their ancestors. I know that some of the Clan are already members of both Societies. I was first introduced to the Scottish Genealogy Society by Miss Margaret Shaw, who was already a member when she played such a prominent part in setting up of the Jardine Clan Society of which she was the first Secretary.

The Scottish Genealogy Society has encouraged the formation of local family societies throughout Scotland and, as those of you who have joined a local society will have found, such membership can provide much interest, support and practical assistance and advice. In Scotland, Mr. Donald Whyte, one of the founder members in 1953 of the Scottish Genealogy Society, has been the guiding force in setting up local family history societies. Mr. Whyte is an Honorary Vice-President of the SGS and is author of several authoritative publications on genealogy. He has personally encouraged the

setting up of family history societies in Aberdeen and North-East Scotland, Highland, Glasgow and West of Scotland, Tay Valley, and the Eastern Borders, over the past few years.

Members of the Jardine Clan Society will be particularly interested in Mr. Whyte's venture—to set up a family history society in south-west Scotland which is, of course, the Jardine homeland. He is hoping to get this off the ground next year, and I shall give a "progress report" in next year's *CLANLINE*.

The Scottish Genealogy Society is run by a Council of elected members, some of whom are professional researchers. The Council meets every six weeks to conduct the business of the Society. The Chairman of Council is Dr Alex. Mackie, and the Society's Honorary President is Professor Gordon Donaldson, the Queen's Historian in Scotland.

WI have been on the Society's Council for the past 18 months, serving as Syllabus Secretary. My job is to compile the programme of monthly meetings which are held in Edinburgh from September until April each year. Anyone who has had to arrange speakers for societies will know that this is a job which usually involves much

HOW TO JOIN

THE SCOTTISH GENEALOGY SOCIETY

The Scottish Genealogy Society publishes a quarterly journal, *The Scottish Genealogist*, which is free to members. The annual membership subscription is £8. Family membership is £10 and the subscription for U.S. members is \$15.

If you are interested in joining the Society you should write to Mr. J. Kinnaird, 45 Dick Place, Edinburgh (U.K. members) or to Mrs. P. A. Peat, 9 Union Street, Edinburgh (overseas members).

MONEY

JARDINE CLAN SOCIETY

Blance Sheet at August 1, 1986

INCOME		£
Cash in Hand 1st August, 1985		16.29
Balance in Bank 1st August, 1985		907.10
Subscriptions 1985/86		1,518.58
Clan Gathering September 1985		529.00

EXPENDITURE		£
Postages		60.80
Retiring Treasurer		100.00
1985 Gathering		
Kirkconnel Hall Hotel		445.00
Band		60.00
Artistes		40.00
Bus - J. M. Richardson		50.00
Lockerbie Pipe Band (Donation)		50.00
Ravenshill Hotel		
(cancelled accommodation)		20.00
Newsletter and Members List		
Solway Offset		756.83
Postage		149.42
Seaforth Typing		24.50
Jarvis Office Equipment		23.28
Dinwiddie Grieve (Life Membership cards)		96.60
Council of Scottish Clans		10.50
Solway Offset (Printing and Supplies)		66.55
Standing Order		5.00
Cash in Hand		3.14
Balance in Bank		1,009.35

TREASURER'S WARNING

Anyone failing to pay their dues to the Society for three years is likely to be struck off the membership list.

Membership only costs £3 a year or £45 for life.

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twisting of arms and friendly persuasion! However, the Society is very fortunate in that there is a wealth of talented professionals and amateurs in south-west Scotland who are willing to give their time freely to talk on a wide variety of subjects all relating in one way or another to genealogy and family history.

The Scottish Genealogy Society is based in Edinburgh and has a worldwide membership of around 1,300. Its very useful library is housed at 9 Union Street, Edinburgh, and is open to members on Wednesdays between 3.30 p.m. and 6.30 p.m. The Honorary Librarian, Mr. Robert Strathdee, is happy to help SGS members with queries if the answers can be found in any of the many and varied publications in the library. He cannot undertake any further research, however, and indeed the Society itself does not carry out record searching, although any enquiries will be referred on to professional genealogical researchers.

Our Clan Society's collection of family trees now numbers 123. I look forward to hearing from new members any details they may have about their ancestors. And, from our longer-established members, I am always very interested to learn of any new developments or "discoveries" they have made in tracing their family history.

Violet Jardine,
Genealogical Secretary.

JARDINES' PIPE AND FIDDLE MUSIC

Archie Jardine, the go ahead chairman of Western Canada Branch reports good sales of tapes of pipe and fiddle music dedicated to our clan society and to some individual members.

Archie has produced them at his own expense and has almost recovered his costs. Any profit will go towards clan society funds.

These tapes can be purchased from the Luckenbooth, Lockerbie by members resident in the U.K., Australia and New Zealand and from Archie himself by those living in Canada and America. Prices as follows:-

Europe and Far East	£6.00
	plus postage for 100 grammes
America and Canada	\$9
	+ \$1 post.
Pipe Music	Jardine of Applegirth A tribute to Lady Jardine The Spears of Annandale Spedlins Castle.
Fiddle Music	Spedlins Tower Lady Jardine of Denbie Jardines O'er the Border.

SAD NEWS

Chum and Julie Ivey have been hit by the recession in the oil industry. They were happily settled in Aberdeen, Scotland and Adam, Philip and Melissa were ready to start school in August when they were called back to Houston, Texas at a fortnight's notice.

"I would really like to come back to Scotland when things get better again," said Chum before he crossed the Atlantic. Let's hope it's not too long before they're back.

BIRTH

Kirsty Sybil Jardine was born on July 7, 1986 at the Cresswell Maternity Hospital, Dumfries to the delight of the chief and his wife Mary, not to mention young William and grandmother, Ann, Lady Jardine!

DEATHS

The death to Sir William 22nd Hereditary Chief of Clan Jardine, at Denbie on April 19, 1986 brought great sadness to us all. Our love and support go to his widow.

We were also sad to hear of the death of **Jean I. B. Smith (nee Jardine)** who died in Glasgow Royal Infirmary on April 22nd, 1986. She was the youngest sister of Mr. Thomas R. Jardine who has written a tribute to Sir William.

Rev. J. Austin Jardine of St. Stephen, New Brunswick, Canada. In July 1986.

Nathaniel Jardine of Nova Scotia. In September 1983.

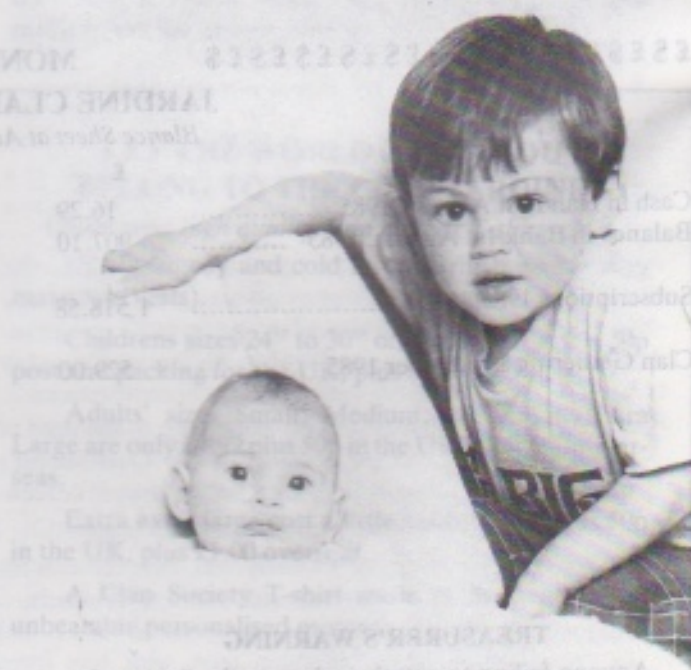
Adelaide Barbour of Rothesay, New Brunswick, Canada. In March 1986.

Allan M. Jardine of Surrey, England. On 11th December 1985.

William Thomas Jardine, Barnet, Herts. Died June 16th 1986.

Mr. T. Allan Jardine, ninth generation descendant of the brother of Alexander Selkirk, Defoe's model for Robinson Crusoe, died at his home in Lower Largo, Fife, in September 1986.

A retired farmer and major in the Black Watch, Mr. Jardine and his wife, Ivy, were instrumental last year in setting up a Crusoe museum at Selkirk's birthplace in the village. Our sympathies go to his wife and two sons.



Kirsty and William

D.R.J. - VILLAIN OR GENTLEMAN?

Douglas R. Jardine did for cricket in the 1930's what Ian Botham is doing in the 1980's. They both brought the game to the front pages, both were brilliant cricketers and both were considered villains - Jardine on the pitch and Botham off it.

Whatever else he did in his life Jardine is remembered as the man who gave the world 'bodyline'. This was the title of an Australian television series concentrating on the English cricket team's tour in 1932-3 when Jardine was captain.

The story purported to show that Jardine, using the fast bowler Larwood as his weapon of attack deliberately set out to aim and injure the Australian batsmen.

FURY

Speedster Larwood was meant to have let go a frightening delivery that struck the Australian batsman over the heart. The batsman staggered and the crowd, including a number of usually sedate grey-haired members, bellowed its disapproval. Amid the noise Jardine was alleged to have commented to Larwood "Well bowled, Larwood".

This representation made Bill Jardine, of Campbelltown, New South Wales, seethe with indignation as he watched television. It was absolute nonsense and the story bristled with inaccuracies about Jardine's private life, including a fictitious love affair, he said.

Larwood, now in his 80's and living in Sydney, told that Bill Jardine was the finest captain he'd ever played under, a shy man with a firm and determined character.

CLANLINE'S research shows that Jardine's college magazine, *THE WYKEHAMIST* praised his captaincy and his battling against Eton in 1919 when he made 35 and 89 and Winchester won.

"MISUNDERSTANDING"

His later notoriety may be the reason why the story sticks that this was the occasion when Jardine resorted to running out the non-striking batsman before the bowler had actually bowled the ball. *THE WYKEHAMIST* reported that the Eton batsman was run out "owing to a misunderstanding" but gives no details of the incident, perhaps wishing to draw a veil over it.

Jardine was in the Winchester First Eleven from 1917 to 1919 and played football in the college team but he does not seem to have distinguished himself academically. He never reached the top form despite staying at Winchester until he was nearly 19 and in his last term he was placed 83rd in the class.

In those days you could get to university on your sporting prowess rather than your brains and he played cricket for Oxford from 1920 to 1923 and tennis in 1921.

HARLEQUIN CAP

His godson, the chief of Clan Buchan, David Buchan of Auchmacoy, remembers him well. Captain Buchan is the proud possessor of one of D.R. Jardine's harlequin caps which he always wore when playing for England. Captain Buchan says he found him rather an austere gent but very patient, bowling at him in the net for hours and then letting his young godson bowl.

He was a most charming and kind person but not a great one for practical jokes or good stories, Captain

"SCOTS DRESS WILL BE WORN" but what's that?

Some members have asked for advice about proper Scots dress for different occasions. Some ideas are given here but they may have to be modified according to circumstances. Scots clothes were designed for a cold and wet climate so they may not be very comfortable at a Highland Games in Florida in February for example!

KILT

The most commonly worn piece of Scots dress is the kilt. In a book called "The Clans, Septs and Regiments of the Scottish Highlands" Frank Adam suggests that the kilt should just reach the middle of the knee-cap when standing.

For rough work or hiking it should be an inch and a half shorter otherwise the skin behind the knee may be chafed.

Mr. Adam gives the following description of Highland dress as worn nowadays. In its simplest form it consists of brogan (shoes), plain knitted hose, garters, kilt, jacket, waistcoat, bonnet, sporran and sgian-dubh.

The kilt is made of tartan and the jacket and waistcoat of tweed. The kilt should be belted round the waist and the apron fastened by a pin to the under apron, the pin being about two inches above the bottom edge of the kilt. The kilt should never be worn with braces or straps.

The sgian-dubh is worn in the stocking on the outer part of the right leg. The bonnet which bears a silver brooch showing the crest of the wearer or of the wearer's chief within belt and buckle should be cocked and should just touch the right ear.

BRILLIANT SIGHT

The full dress Highland costume is one of the handsomest in the world and makes a brilliant sight. It includes a velvet doublet, and a scarlet, white or tartan waistcoat both with Celtic-patterned silver buttons; a sporran with tassels possibly with the wearer's crest on its silver top; diced or clan tartan fine hose ornamented by tartan streamers on the outside; the kilt as already described; dress brogan with ornamental silver buckles, and a plaid placed over the left shoulder.

The complete picture includes a claymore and two pistols worn on the left side while on the right side you wear the jewelled dirk. The powder-horn with the mouthpiece to the front is worn under the right arm and the sword belt over the right shoulder.

Buchan recalls. Perhaps it was that lack of a sense of humour behind his dedication to his sport that has ensured D. R. Jardine goes down in history as a bad egg.

Jardine was born in Bombay in 1900, the son of a High Court Judge in India. This makes him second cousin to John, Jean, David and Julian Jardine and second cousin once removed to Sir Andrew Jardine, who are all clan society members as you will see on the family tree.

WHY ARE WE HERE?

RENNIE McOWAN sparked off a debate when he said in THE SCOTS MAGAZINE that what was missing from clan societies was a marriage of old and new.

Mr. McOwan's argument is reproduced here because it raises questions about the purpose of our society that might bring forward some interesting answers.

Agree or disagree it's worth thinking about. Mr. McOwan said:

"If clan societies are to thrive – and I believe they should – we have to be honest about reality.

"It angers me to see photographs of a member of the British aristocracy attending a dinner in the States as head of the Clan MacSiccar when clans, of course, no longer exist. I am inclined to think that it has more to do with class and society one-upmanship than Highland heritage.

"To invite him/her to attend as head of a clan society is a different matter.

"Feudalism did enter into clan life, particularly in later centuries, but there was a time when the chief and his family held the land in the name of all, and the people had real dignity, and the relationship was not subservient. You would be hard put to link that period in clan life with what goes on nowadays on some Highland estates.

"Clans have gone, except as a feeling in the mind and heart, but clan societies are modern fact and, to be frank, the so-called Standing Council of Clan Chiefs has a modern validity only in terms of historical research and care of some sites on ancestral lands.

DANGERS

"There is a strong danger of Scotland being seen as a tartan never never land, and a place where, once-a-year, keep-the-natives happily Balmorality will amuse

OVER 80 PEOPLE AT A HAPPY REUNION

The Atlantic Branch of the Clan Jardine held its Annual Gathering at the Mt. Allison Univeristy, Sackville, New Brunswick, on July 6th, 1985.

The Clan was pleased to welcome new members, Mr. & Mrs. Clifford Jardine from Newfoundland and Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Jardine from Moncton.

Friday evening was one of fellowship with the special event being the 40th Wedding anniversary of Dr. Eric and Joan Jardine of Sydney. Margaret Romcke made the beautifully decorated cake for the occasion. All joined in wishing Joan and Eric many years of health and happiness. Isabel and Blair Bruce of Kitchener, Ontario, and Mrs. Marjorie Spry of Rochester, New York, were there for the happy occasion.

Following the business meeting, dinner was served at the University. Rev. J. Austin Jardine asked the Blessing.

Following dinner, Kay Jardine read a poem which she had composed entitled "Welcome Clan Jardine." Kay was thanked for her creative efforts.

A vote of thanks was given to all who had made arrangements for this most happy gathering, especially

the visitors and conceal the very real problems confronting modern Scotland.

"What is missing from the clan societies scene is a marriage of old and new.

"There is often a shapelessness about policy and strategy, a lack of direction and purpose. For one thing, most people can feel no real link between themselves and a modern "clan chief".

"Colour and pageantry have a deserved place. I thought the Clan Gathering pipe bands rally in Stirling was a great success, although only the bands were reality while the clans are a myth.

"What of the clan lands today? Readers do not need to be told about the emptied glens, soaring transport costs, island communities paying through the nose for doing without amenities, incomer landlords who can behave with an autocracy that would not be tolerated in other lands, absentee landlords, encroaching restrictions on our outdoor freedoms, growing migration, the death-throes of the language of the clans which hardly any of our "clan chiefs" can understand, let alone speak, missiles in the land of claymore and targe. These are the hard facts of the present situation.

"Clan societies and the International Gathering will limp until this nettle is grasped.

MODERN OUTLOOK

"Until clan societies start to comment on the state of modern clan lands, their use and misuse, who owns them and why, the political framework of Scotland, the future of the highlands – until these aspects of Scottish life are latched on to, Scotland and its clan territories will continue to be seen in an unreal light. Community projects, new halls, village facilities, grants for job projects in memory of clan ancestors, could all be instigated.

"Honour the past by all means, but to do so at the expense of the present and future is to indulge in a dishonest pastime, no matter how much tartan is flaunted.

"To twin with the past is a moving and legitimate affair, to feel kinship with the tough, hardy, courageous folk who honoured marital virtues, steadfastness and perseverance, who could rock central government to its heels on occasion, and who produced a beautiful heritage of Gaelic music: all that is fitting and appropriate.

"However, to be worthy of such predecessors, similar abilities have to be devoted to modern Scotland and its future well-being.

"It has to be carried out in Scotland, and it has to be promoted from here and overseas, in ideas and plans and money for the heartland of the migrant generations and from their new nations.

"Until that happens, "clans" will be just a game played by an ever-dwindling band of people who prefer make-believe to reality, and who are most certainly not honouring the men and women of the past in the manner they deserve".

David Jardine of Sackville and his wife.

It was noted that Jim and Shirley Jardine of Vermont, U.S.A., have attended every Clan meeting since its inception.

BALLAD OF SPEDLINS

In January 1853 someone signing himself or herself "AN OCTOGENARIAN" wrote to the editor of the Dumfries HERALD & REGISTER saying

I read the other day in *Chambers Journal* a ballad on the prisoner of Spedlin's, but it does not at all resemble the original old ballad of Spedlin's Ha', that I remember in my youth, though now nearly forgotten, but of which I enclose you a copy, in so far as my now failing memory serves me, in case you may think it worth the preserving in your journal.

SPEDLINS HA'

O! Annan water's deep and wide,
Roaring o'er linn's frae bank to brae,
Washing the Spedlin's castle side
Whar oft the Jardines led the fray.

"O! wha will ride that water wan?"

O! wha will carry word for me?

For our gude Lord's to Edinbro' boun',
And left the prisoner here to dee."

The dungeon's deep, the door is strong,
The castle ha' is far aboon:

The moan maun be baith loud and strong,
That o'er their revelry was soun'.

And ten land days hae come and gane,
And ne'er that dungeon door played jee:
The wasted man is skin and bane,
Lost to his warder's memory.

The mirth was high in Edinbro' tower,
The King and Queen held banquet free,
And many a knight and lady bright
Were tranced by Scotia's minstrelsie.

But ever tan that water wan
By Spedlin's Ha' and Spedlin's linn,
And ever moaned that dying man
Forgot of kith, forgot of kin.

"O! wha will ride that water wan?"

O! wha will carry word for me?

For our gude Lord's to Edinbro' gane,
And left the prisoner here to dee."

And aye they span and round did reel
In Holyrood's gay lighted hall—
When sudden as the flash of steel,
Fell on the gayest knight of all

A knell that quivered thro' his soul,
A sudden thought that smote his brain
Regardless of a King's controul—
"To horse! to horse! the Jardine train."

And on they spurred and on they rode,
The mettle frae their heels did flee;
And aye the Jardine cried "Fore God!
To Spedlin's Ha' but or he dee."

Another day was fled and gane,
The darksome pit was lone and drear,
The prisoner gnawed the flesh and bane
To save the ebbing life sae dear.

On, on they sped, no stop nor stay,

The Annan water by them roll'd:

"The man that breasts that water gray,
His ransom shall be untold gold."

MARRIED AT THE SCOTS GATHERING?

Archie O. Jardine, chairman of Western Branch, Canada, has written with an unusual request to Sir Alec that could make the 1987 Gathering an occasion to remember.

He says "Cindy and Errol have indicated their intention of getting married in Scotland at the 1987 Gathering, and as these two thrive on the unusual they have asked if arrangements could be made for the actual ceremony to take place in Spedlins. The reception or social would be arranged in one of the local hotels.

"Before these plans grow any further would you ascertain on our behalf if Mr. Yorke, the owner of Spedlins, would make the main hall available for a brief ceremony. It needn't require any furnishings.

"Cindy plans on being married in period costume with Errol in Kilt."

Well, that's a fabulous idea and we will see if it is possible.



Spedlins Castle

But vain the power of man to save,
And time will work its earthly woe;
The Spedlin pit's the prisoner's grave,
The rescue was the mortal throe.

And he that swam that water wan
That raged sae wild frae bank to brae,
And loosed the bolt o' Spedlin pit,
But saw the reft soul flit away.

"Go bring the book and bring the mass,
And ever for the parted pray"
But lang as Spedlins tower shall stand,
That weird may never pass away.

And many a Jardine yet shall tell
By book, and mass, and altar stone,
In Applegarth's old haunted cell
How Porteous perished sad and lone.

It appeared in the newspaper on February 4th, 1853 and was found by David Jardine of Cairn of Craigs Cottage, Dumfries. Presumably it was the version going around in the second half of the 18th century.

SCOTS FASHION

Queen Victoria draped herself and her furniture in tartan and since then it has never been far from the minds of fashion designers and the editors of women's pages.

If you see someone wearing tartan in the 1980's it's as likely to be because they liked the colours as because they belong to the clan it represents. One fashion writer has even suggested it is better to mix and match your tartans and be seen in more than one at a time.

FREE-FOR-ALL

In this free-for-all you might like a note of the official line taken about the wearing of tartan.

There are a number of district tartans which can be worn by people belonging to or descended from people belonging to these districts.

Those not entitled to wear a clan, family or district tartan have no right to wear any Royal tartan and particularly not the Royal Stuart tartan which is the tartan of the Royal House and accorded to pipers of the Sovereign's Royal regiments.

JACOBITE TARTAN

Those of Scottish descent with no clan, family or district tartan can wear the Hunting Stewart which was originally a general Scottish hunting tartan and only named "Stewart" in about 1888. They may also wear the Caledonian tartan, the Jacobite tartan if their ancestors had Jacobite leaning, or the Black Watch or "Government" tartan in its exact regimental form or one of the modified forms for those whose ancestors supported the Hanoverians or Whigs.

A woman from a Scottish family married to someone not entitled to a clan, family or district tartan can continue to wear her own tartan.

ADD A TOUCH OF COMFORT

Andrew Jervis, of Jervis Highland Furnishings, Edinburgh makes Jardine cushion covers as part of his range of tartan soft furnishings.

The covers are made with 100 per cent pure wool cloth, a plain wool blue backing and piping. Each cover is individually overlocked.

The cover has a pillow slip closure so a pad can be easily inserted.

There are two stock sizes, 11 inch and 15 inch square, and Andrew is happy to quote for other sizes if asked.

The products come in attractive packaging and the covers make good presents for clan friends and family overseas.

The mail order prices through Sir Alec for UK and overseas are as follows:

11" x 11" cover £7.40.

15" x 15" cover £11.20.

Editor's Note - thank you all for information and contributions to *CLANLINE* and for the nice things you have said about it. Only John Jardine Marshall of Cheshire, England, wasn't sure about the name *CLANLINE* - it sounded to him more like a shipping firm. Fair comment!

EDINBURGH A HONEY POT FOR FESTIVAL GOERS

Our next gathering is timed to coincide with the 41st Edinburgh International Arts Festival to give members a chance to enjoy the capital city at its brightest.

The Athens of the north has more than a pretty face during August. Edinburgh is becoming a complete hive of activity and entertainment for the festival goer.

The main stream arts festival attracts the world's leading orchestras and the greatest theatre companies yet the average price of a ticket is only £5, making it by far the most inexpensive European arts festival.

THE FRINGE

Alongside this prestigious event there were close on 1000 productions in the Fringe Festival sprawling across the city filling every hall, pub and cellar. Here, chance is the order of the day (and night) and some shows sell out as fast as word can get around while others pack up and go home early. Some have been planned since the festival before, other are the brainwave of players who happen to meet on the train north from Kings Cross, London.

FILM PREMIERS

Then there's the Film Festival which has grown in range and stature over its 40 years. In 1985 they were screening 150 films in the three weeks, from pre-West End American releases to more esoteric Third World epics.

FESTIVAL SPIRIT

Edinburgh has also become the home of the International Television Festival. Senior television moguls take time off their summer holidays to watch new productions and debate what we see on the small screen.

The festival spirit has even flowed into the council chambers. So far Edinburgh Council has disapproved of the festival in general but now they have decided they cannot beat it so they must join it. A Science Festival will be their contribution possibly starting in 1986.

Edinburgh can get to you like that. Exhausting is hardly the word.

INVITATION TO THE 1987 GATHERING

The 1987 Gathering is going to happen at Hetland Hall Hotel near Carrutherstown, Dumfriesshire on Sunday, August 23rd. Tickets for adults cost £10 and for youngsters aged up to and including 15 cost £6. We look forward to an evening of music, song and dance and a good dinner. It all begins at 5 p.m. When the genealogy secretary will be ready to help with queries about your family tree.

Dress comfortable.

Further details of activities will be circulated by Branch Chairmen.

The hotel offers reduced rates for people staying for a function.

Please reply to Denbie.