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PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE:



Thanksgiving is upon us. It’s probably safe to say 2020 has been a trying year for all of us. My hope is that you will be able to spend time with or at least speak with your family and loved ones this time of year. I hope it also finds you and your family healthy and safe.

This was a marked year for the society as well. This was the first year in over 30 where our clan tents hardly rose at events around the country and world. In addition, some of our members are experiencing rough times. We can’t do much about the events, this year, but the board has acted to make sure even our impacted members will be part of our family through next year.

I don’t want to focus on the difficulties, so I want to relate our latest event and hopes for

2021. October held our Annual General Meeting where we had a strong turnout and lots to relate. Presentations on the Clan Library, the Blair DNA Project, and online research entertained our audience and I think there was good take-away for everybody. Members will be able to watch the replay of the meeting in the Members’ Only site at members.clanblair.net soon. Editing has been delayed but we hope to have it up soon.

Along with the presentations, I related our annual report as presented to the CBS Board in September. The details of the report will be available in the members’ site as well. We have a strong financial position to ensure our work for many years. Membership is down slightly with our biggest concern being members impacted by the challenges of the pandemic. The board is supporting those that reach out to continue through next year. Membership renewals are due January 1st and flowing in now.

We all have hopes that 2021 will begin to return our lives to some form of normal, especially with news of late. Though we don’t see events returning right away next year, we’re all being hopeful for that to happen in summer and fall. In the meantime, we’ll be bringing back our virtual presentation events as a way to reach members, provide useful and entertaining topics, and

encourage member activities. We'll announce these through the newsletter and email broadcasts as we schedule them.

Happy Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas to all our members. May you have a safe, healthy, and wonderful holiday season. On the 1st of 2021, let's all raise a glass to toast a 2021 of health and Scottish family fun and love!

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**California Commissioners Report
Russ and Elena McCrary
November 2020**

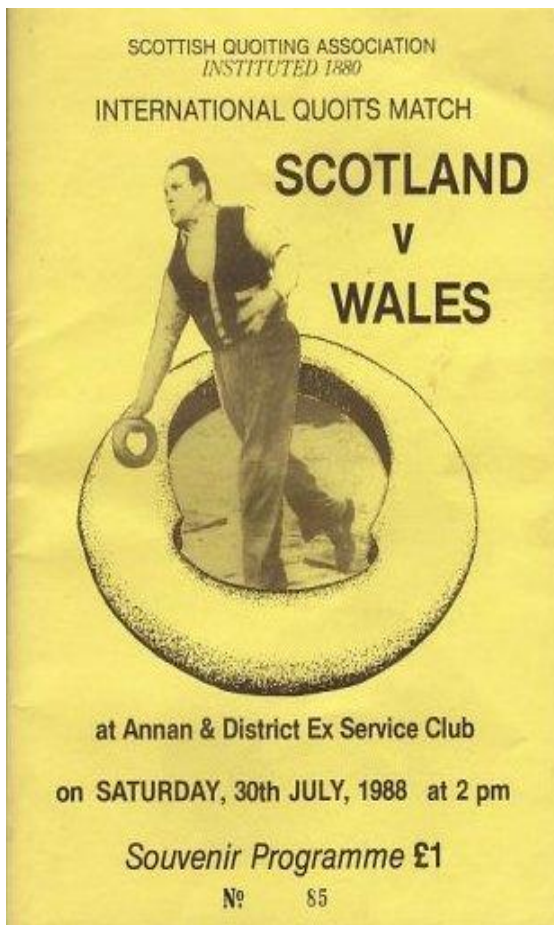
It has been a challenge to stay in our pods when the natural inclination is for grouping. I think we can say history has given us a roadmap from which to live and learn. As I have been observing all the vehicles with out-of-state license plates it dawned on me that I can only control my little world. In that spirit I thought it would be interesting to learn from history. I had been researching quotes and while not written by a Scot, sums up how we might feel. "No people so few in number have scored so deep a mark in the world's History as the Scots have done. No people have a greater right to be proud of their blood." With that spirit in mind, here is a look back on some CA history and the first Scottish games in San Francisco. This is what I found.

Caledonian Club of San Francisco's Inaugural Games: In 1866, San Francisco had been sobered by the Civil War, the bloodiest war in American history. It was also still recovering from the assassination of President Abraham Lincoln and the gunning down in a city street of prominent newspaper editor, James King (a native of Ireland). California's gold rush had attracted many a Scot to San Francisco, and on November 24, 1866, seventeen Scots congregated in Clem Dixon's Ale Vaults on Summer Street to plan California's first Scottish Games. Less than a week later, the inaugural Games were held at San Francisco's Hayes Park (on Laguna and Hayes Streets) on Thanksgiving Day 1866. The Club's inaugural Games were more of a family picnic and athletic contest featuring nine competitive events including *hammer throwing, stone putting, & three-legged and blindfolded wheelbarrow races*. This article published in the following day's Daily Evening Bulletin covered the Games, and noted that the "solid silver quoit" awarded to quoits champion, Mr. Carmichael, was valued at \$50, which was no mean prize in 1866!

As I was reading this article, I noticed the word, "quoits." Whatever could that be? So, I looked it up, and I found some pictures, as well as this very cool program:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wlnX-PpV6pw>.

While it historically may have been an outside game, there are indoor games too.



One of the reasons smaller venues are best for hosting a tent is the double bonus of getting to see heavy athletic competition. Russ shared the Ardblair Stones Challenge in Scotland 2019 with me. If you have not seen this remarkable short video, check out the link provided below. I was interested to know if women had participated in any games. The research I found indicated it was possible going back to Malcolm III in the 11th century. Another first for women was in 1567, when Mary, Queen of Scots became the first recorded woman to play golf in Scotland at Musselburgh Links (Glena Rhodes, 1991). So, while we are homebound, at least we have some sports to keep us company.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OuGdUGqzCgs#>

Another part of digging into history was Russ having found this antique 1920's Blair Clan

Crest Badge. He originally was searching for a bonnet made in Scotland and came across <https://houseoflabhran.com/>. This company specializes in antique & vintage Scottish kilt accessories. One addition we are working on for the clan tent (yes, we are hopeful of a return) is showcasing clan badges with a history of who owned them, what they represent (Blair of Blair from Ayrshire, and Blair of Balthayock from Perthshire).

There are so many exciting stories waiting to be told—maybe you have one you would like to share with us. There are many aspects of Scottish Culture to be shared. How are you sharing it in your family, on Zoom (our new best friend), etc.? We were so excited just to see 2021 games posted, even with the COVID notice.



Blair of Balthayock Clan Crest Badge

Wishing you and yours a Merry Christmas whether near or far. And, let's ring in the New Year with a resolve to be resolute!

IMPORTANT !

Due to the Coronavirus Pandemic (COVID-19), the details of the event are subject to change.

We strongly recommended that you check with the organizers before making any travel arrangements.

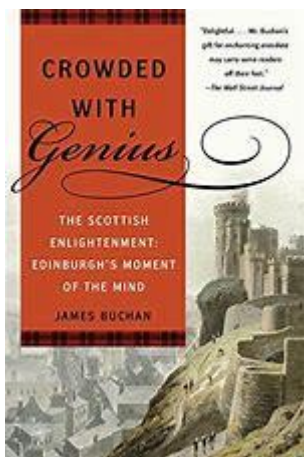
Saturday, April 10, 2021



The Scottish Highland Gathering & Games 2021

Where: Pleasanton, CA

When: Saturday, September 4, 2021 - Sunday, September 5, 2021



<https://thescottishgames.com/>

MONTEREY SCOTTISH GAMES & CELTIC FESTIVAL

Jul 31 - Aug 1, 2021 at 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM
Monterey County Fair & Event Center

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LIBRARIAN REPORT

Elena Mc Crary

As we celebrate the Scottish contributions in history, I wanted to take a moment to also recognize November and Native American

Month. There had been a library inquiry about Colbert Blair lineage, and I found this in a very comprehensive article which speaks to the Scottish & Native American similarities. "The Colbert family played a role in Chickasaw life all through the nineteenth century." Read the full article at the Electric Scotland site. https://www.electricscotland.com/history/american/american_indians.htm

Regarding research and The Clan Blair collection in Moultrie: Irene Godwin has let me know all of our books are still available for researching and can be sent out to members. "If anyone wants to come to the Odom Library for research our hours are 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Saturday. Due to social distancing she has to know the number coming to research each day. Anyone wishing to come just needs to call me *so I can reserve that day for them.*" I have asked about pictures from the renovation, but there are none to share just now.

In my very short, recent book travels I came upon the following title. Crowded with Genius: The Scottish Enlightenment: Edinburgh's Moment of the Mind (2004) by James Buchan. The people who read it & wrote about it stated it best by the following: "equal parts history, philosophy, and gossip." In that short expression I already like the book. Why? Because we only know the current Edinburgh. However, by the end of the 18th Century, the city had given us Robert Burns, James Boswell and others. It is the impact of their words which give us reflection, and asks the question—what changes must be made, for inclusion of all? Scottish Enlightenment, indeed!



As I was pondering Burns' role in life, I came upon an article about a statue of him in Golden Gate Park in San Francisco. Then I thought how many statues of him were worldwide. It was rather

interesting to find out the answer. Check it out! It's like a game. If you have a small world map you could put markers as if you were travelling, only since we are homebound, being an armchair traveler might be healthier. And, do not forget a favorite piece to recite. But, our tour of Scottish Enlightenment or Ayrshire do not end there.

The latest issue of the magazine *Scotland* arrived in the mail and one of the articles covered was Inside Dumfries House, the remarkable Scottish Enlightenment house that Prince Charles helped rescue for the nation. It is now part of a trust.

<https://dumfries-house.org.uk/about/explore-the-house>. In the article (page 25) they quote a couple of lines from a poem by Robert Burns entitled *To a Mouse*, (1796).

Also, on the very last page of the magazine, five titles covered: Heritage; History; Fiction; Travel and Cookery. Of the five, I would recommend *The Frayed Atlantic Edge: A Historian's Journey from Shetland to the Channel*. Why this one? Because we all deserve a proper travel. If you are curious about the other books, send me an email via cbslibrary@clanblair.org.



Leugh agus bi toilichte (Read and be happy)!

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MÌOSACHAN (CALENDAR)

Russ and Elena Mc Crary

Before I write about our latest online adventure, I want to point out the celebration of the Mary Queen of Scots and the following talk on her birthday. It does cost £10 (approximately \$13 US dollars), but it was well worth it.

History Scotland has today announced an online Mary Queen of Scots talk to take place on the evening of the Stewart queen's birthday, 8 December.

Dr. Anna Groundwater, Principal Curator, Renaissance and Early Modern History, at National Museums Scotland, will deliver the talk at 6pm on 8 December 2020 and tickets are [available now](#).

The talk is titled: *An evening with Mary Queen of Scots: Exploring the treasures at National Museum of Scotland* and will comprise a 45-minute talk and virtual tour of the Renaissance gallery in Kingdom of the Scots at the National Museum of Scotland in Edinburgh, followed by a Q&A session.

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OUR ONLINE TRIP IN JACOBITE HISTORY

<https://www.historyscotland.com/news>

Russ and I, being COVID-19 homebound, eagerly seek out events that we can attend online. Yesterday, November 18, 2020 at 6:00 AM (Pacific) 2:00 PM (London) time we listened to a lecture brought to us via Zoom by *History Scotland*. Presented by Professor Murray Pittock featuring NEW research, titled: 'Under Martial Law by a Foreign Power? The Aftermath of Culloden and the Legacy of Jacobitism.' The event comprised a 60-minute talk by Professor Pittock as well as a Q&A session hosted by Dr. Allan Kennedy, University of Dundee. So, how did we come to select this lecture? We were notified of *History Scotland's* themed Jacobite special issue to mark the 300th anniversary of the birth of Prince Charles Edward Stuart (Bonnie Prince Charlie). What follows is my interpretation taken from my notes.

While I am no Jacobite scholar, I decided to look up a definition of Jacobites. The definition read: "A supporter of the deposed James II and his descendants in their claim to the British throne after the Revolution of 1688. Drawing

most of their support from Catholic clans of the Scottish Highlands, Jacobites made attempts to regain the throne in 1689–90, 1715, 1719, and 1745–46, finally being defeated at the Battle of Culloden." (Oxford Dictionary). A clearer picture is the research provided by Professor Pittock. The professor spoke about the propaganda surrounding the young prince. He showed a picture of the bonnie prince by Scottish artist Allan Ramsay with the highlands exaggerated in the portrait. He then shared a map of what the highlands actually looked like during that period of time—what a contrast. So, why would this be important? Because the Jacobite forces are often referred to as the Highland Army. In fact, many of its units were from the Scottish lowlands, as well as Irish and Scottish soldiers in the French service, along with some English volunteers. Pittock mentioned how the British Army was comprised of Protestants and in recruiting stated, "No Irish were welcome."



Professor Pittock continued by showing the Glenfinnan Monument. He described it as a, "virtuous circle" to honor the Jacobites. He called it, "a metaphor of the British Army in Scotland after Culloden."

An aside on Culloden: Pittock shared that the area had been recently under attack by developers. But, through Scottish clan participation, that development was defeated. Why anyone would want to develop on haunted land is curiously strange to me. I have read on the anniversary of the battle one can hear metal against metal.

Pittock spoke about how Lord George Murray had led the Jacobite forces in a night march to Nairn in an attempt to carry out a surprise attack on Cumberland and his forces. Unfortunately, that failed. Pittock talked about a lasting image (by Morier) (view at end of this article) in that this was a civil war, and they did fight in close quarters. However, some of the weapons depicted would not have really been present in that battle. He mentioned the Duke of Cumberland and whether or not he deserved the title of ‘butcher.’ “Professor Pittock noted that around 1,000 Jacobites died at Culloden with another 2,000 killed in the days that followed, given the army’s ‘license to kill’ supporters of the cause. By the end of April, British Army soldiers were occupying towns and villages in all corners of the country.



Culloden Moore Today



The Battle of Culloden as depicted by Swiss painter David Morier, who was paid a pension by the Duke of Cumberland, the commander of the British Army at the battle. PIC: Creative Commons.

The professor then spoke about what the Jacobite rising was really about. And he mentioned the 1948 film Bonnie Prince Charlie as a good representation of the man who would be king. I appreciated how he also talked about the women who were devoted to the cause. We encourage you to seek them out.

When we received this invite, I immediately began researching the History of those who chose the Jacobite side. There are many interesting books, and I do need to mention the updated Professor’s book is now in a second printing. But, if you want to get an idea of what his talk was like, read about Jacobitism and his review of books <https://fivebooks.com/best-books/murray-pittock-jacobitism/>.

To say he is a master storyteller is an understatement. Read his *Culloden* book or one of the other many titles he has written.

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WHAT ROLE DID WOMEN PLAY IN THE JACOBITE REBELLION?

(From "The Scotsman", 5th March, 2016)

MUCH has been written about the famous Jacobite soldiers who fought to get the Stewarts back on the British throne, but what about the women who risked their lives for the rebellion cause.



Author Maggie Craig wrote the book 'Damn Rebel Bitches: The Women of the '45'. About women who fought in Culloden

Miss Craig says, "With no disrespect to Flora MacDonald, I knew there were many other brave women who risked their lives and safety to play their parts in the '45.

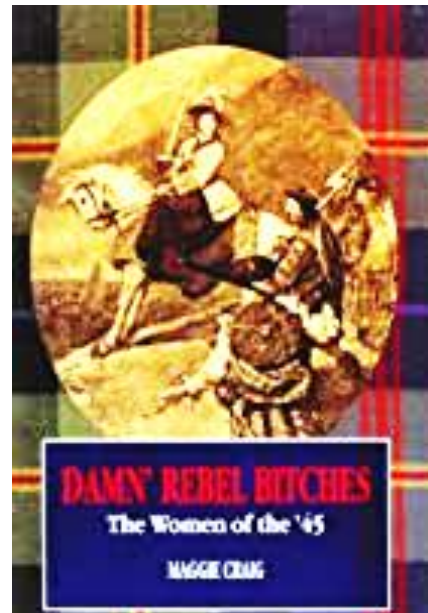
"Damn' Rebel Bitches" was first published 19 years ago and has never been out of print since.

Maggie Craig is a Glaswegian who now lives in her mother's native Aberdeenshire.

She is a well-published novelist and writer of non-fiction and has served two terms on the committee of the Society of Authors in Scotland.

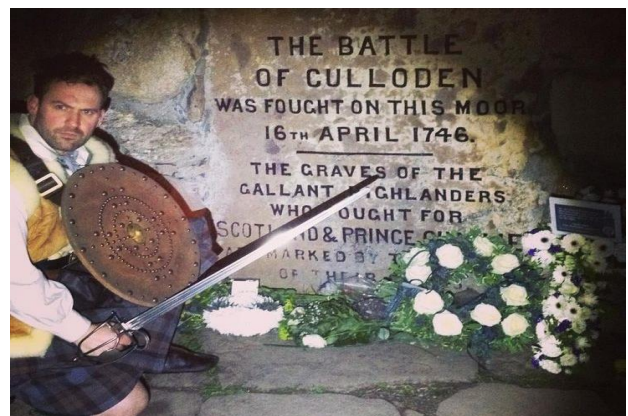
She is a popular speaker around Scotland's libraries and book festivals. Her latest novel is *Gathering Storm*, a tale of Jacobite intrigue and romance set in the tense Edinburgh of 1743.

Her next book is a biography: *Henrietta Tayler*, Scottish Jacobite Historian and First World War Nurse.



The Book Cover

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PANCAKE DAY -WHY IT IS CELEBRATED IN SCOTLAND (from The Scotsman, 30th January, 2020, By Rosalind Erskine)

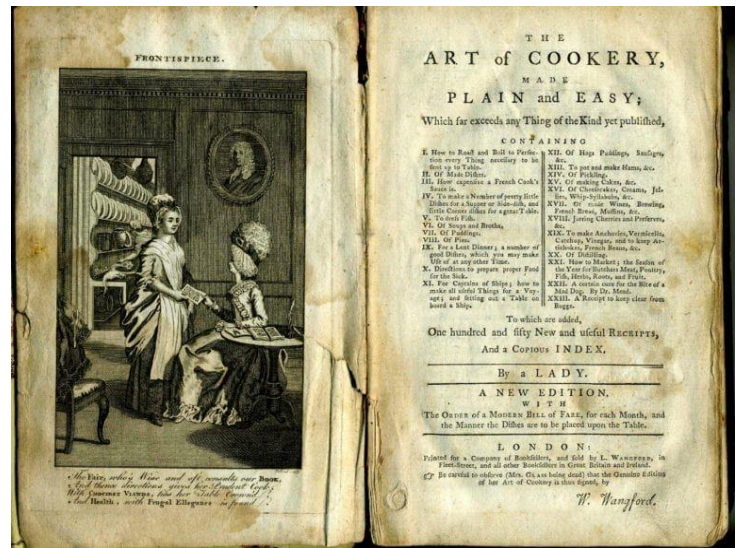
Pancakes are traditionally eaten on **Shrove Tuesday**, which is known as "Pancake Day" in Canada, the United Kingdom, Ireland, New Zealand, and Australia, and "Pancake Tuesday" in Ireland and Scotland. (Shrove Tuesday is better known in the United States, France, and other countries as Mardi Gras or Fat Tuesday .)



Despite being an American breakfast treat, both pancakes and Pancake Day have been around for centuries - but what is the day itself, and why do we celebrate it?

Today, our idea of Pancake Day is far removed from its religious origins.

Pancake Day and religion



According to history and heritage guide, Historic UK, Pancake Day - or Shrove Tuesday - is the traditional feast day before the start of Lent on Ash Wednesday.

Lent (the 40 days leading up to Easter) was traditionally a time of fasting, and on Shrove Tuesday, Anglo-Saxon Christians went to confession and were “shriven” (absolved from their sins) - hence the name Shrove Tuesday.

Another popular opinion is that pancakes would be made as a way of using up any remaining eggs, milk and butter before the start of Lent - when people would abstain from these animal products.

In fact, in America Shrove Tuesday is known as Mardi Gras (meaning 'Fat Tuesday' in French) - a nod to using up all the fatty, perishable food before Lent.



But it seems that by the 18th century, when Hannah Glasse published her popular book *The Art of Cookery*, the practice of using up all the butter, eggs and milk was no longer followed, or at least, not as popular. Part of the book was dedicated to 'Recipes for Lent' which has a simple recipe for pancakes that doesn't use dairy or eggs - meaning these pancakes could be eaten during Lent.

The date of Pancake Day changes every year (as it falls 47 days before Easter) but it will always be between 3 February and 9 March.

Pancakes around the world

This quote from 1619 shows the age-old tradition of pancake tossing, "And every man and maide doe take their turne, And tosse their Pancakes up for feare they burne."

Pancakes have been around for hundreds of years, with recipes on how to make them changing from places to place and year to year.

In Germany they eat doughnuts, in the Netherlands they have waffles, and in Russia they consume blinis.

As long as there has been some sort of meal to mix with water, and a flat stone set in a hearth, we have eaten pancakes.

Cooking and recipes

Hannah Glasse's *The Art of Cookery* (Photo: Wikimedia)

The method of cooking on a bakestone is the most simple and primitive form of cookery – although these days we are more likely to use a frying pan.

In *The Scots Kitchen* (1929), F Marian McNeil, who is the authority on traditional Scottish food, gives two recipes for pancakes traditionally eaten on Shrove Tuesday.

One is called a sooty bannock. Interestingly, but not so surprisingly, it is made with oatmeal flour. The 'sooty' part comes from the French word *sauter*, to toss, like so many other Scottish culinary terms.

The other recipe she gives is for Scots Crumpets. Scottish crumpets are quite unlike their thick and spongy English counterparts as they are thinner, and can be rolled up, and eaten with jam and butter.

In the first recipe book published in Scotland, Elizabeth Cleland gives no fewer than nine recipes for pancakes in her book *A New and Easy Method for Cookery* (first published in 1755).

One to note is her recipe for Common Pancakes which is spiced with nutmeg, ginger and best of all, laced with brandy.

For a modern, American style pancake recipe, click [here](#).

Why are there Pancake races?

Portobello women have a practice toss at the start of the annual pancake race along the promenade in February 1980 (Photo: TSPL)

Today, most of us will probably enjoy a more leisurely Pancake Day, spent in the comfort of our kitchens with minimal exercise.

But, for years, the pancake race was also a highlight of Pancake Day, with many still happening all over the country.

The race involves running (usually in teams or fancy dress) with a frying pan and flipping a pancake as you go. The aim is to get the finish line with the pancake still in tact.

It is alleged that Olney, Buckinghamshire has the most famous of all pancake races, which has been going since 1445.

Part of this article originally appeared on [The Scotsman Food and Drink](#)

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CORONAVIRUS

**IN SCOTLAND: THIS IS
EVERYTHING YOU CAN
AND CAN'T DO IN THE
DIFFERENT REGIONS OF
SCOTLAND AS OF TODAY
[NOV. 20, 2020]**

(FROM "THE SCOTSMAN"
NEWSPAPER)

From 6pm this evening, 11 council areas will be placed in Level 4 - the highest tier - for three weeks.



Millions of Scots will face different coronavirus restrictions today, when several local authorities will be placed in higher and lower levels of Scotland's regional lockdown system. (Photo by Jeff J Mitchell/Getty Images)

Level 0 - No council area has been placed in Level 0.

Level 1 - Councils in this area are: Orkney, Shetland, the Western Isles, Moray and the Highland.

Level 2 - Councils in this area are: Aberdeen, Aberdeenshire, Argyll & Bute, Borders and Dumfries & Galloway, Midlothian and East Lothian.



From 6pm this evening, 11 council areas will be placed in Level 4 - the highest tier - for three weeks. (Photo by Jeff J Mitchell/Getty Images)

Level 3 - Councils in this area are: Angus, Edinburgh, Clackmannanshire, Dundee, Falkirk, Fife, Inverclyde, North Ayrshire, Perth and Kinross.

Level 4 - Councils in this area are: Glasgow, Renfrewshire, East Renfrewshire, East Dunbartonshire, West Dunbartonshire, North Lanarkshire, South Lanarkshire, East Ayrshire, South Ayrshire, Stirling and West Lothian.

What restrictions does each level come with?

Each level of Scotland's regional lockdown system comes with different restrictions on things like household gatherings, travel, and which businesses can operate.



Existing guidance on moving in and out of areas with the greatest number of coronavirus cases would become law from 6pm on Friday. (Photo by Jeff J Mitchell/Getty Images)

Level 0

Restaurants, cafes, pubs and bars can open indoors and outdoors for the consumption of food and alcoholic drinks in line with local licensing rules.

The maximum number of people who can meet outdoors in a restaurant, café, pub or bar is 15 which can be from up to 5 separate households.

The maximum number of people who can meet indoors is eight, which can be from up to three separate households.

Level 1

Socializing is restricted to six people from two households inside and outside – however the First Minister said from Thursday this will change to eight people from three households outside.

The number of people able to attend weddings or funerals and their associated events is restricted to 20.

Amateur indoor sports among those over the age of 18 are not allowed.

Hospitality businesses must close by 10.30pm, inside and outside, with the last entry permitted at 9.30pm.

Level 2

Measures remain largely the same as in Level 1, however in-home socialising is prohibited, barring some exceptions including caring for a vulnerable person and for those in extended households.

Outdoor groups in public places are limited to six people from two households.

Cinemas, amusement arcades and bingo halls are the only leisure facilities allowed to remain open, with soft play, funfairs, indoor bowling, casinos, theatres, snooker or pool halls, music venues, nightclubs and adult entertainment venues all closed.

Only drive-in events are permitted, with indoor, outdoor and stadium events cancelled.

Protective measures are in place at public buildings while NHS services reduce face-to-face contact with patients.

Indoor hospitality venues must close from 8pm, with last entry at 7pm, and outdoor businesses shut at 10.30pm.

Level 3

Socialising rules remain the same as in Level 2, with guidance issued for only essential hotel use.

Drive-in events are no longer permitted, and cinemas, arcades and bingo halls will also be closed.

Indoor exercise is limited to individual workouts, with outdoor contact sports for those over the age of 18 banned, except professional sports.

Hospitality businesses are prohibited from selling alcohol and must close at 6pm, with last entry at 5pm.

Level 4

While socialising will stay the same as Level 3, non-essential retail will be closed and the limit on numbers at weddings will drop to 15, with 20 allowed in places of worship and at funerals.

All hospitality will be closed, with only takeaway services permitted.

Gyms will again be closed and outdoor sport will be limited to non-contact only, though professional sport will continue.

Will schools stay open?

Schools in Scotland are set to stay open in all levels of the regional lockdown system. Explaining the decision to keep children attending classes in person, First Minister Nicola Sturgeon said schools were “not significant areas for transmission of the virus”.

“At this time the benefits that young people gain from being in school outweigh the overall impact of schools on transmission rates,” she added.

When do the new regional lockdown levels take effect?

For the areas heading into Level 4, the new rules come into force across Scotland from 6pm on Friday, November 20.

For those heading down a level, to level 2, the change will take effect on Tuesday, November 24.

Regions placed in Level 4 will face the toughest restrictions for a period of at least three weeks, according to the Scottish Government.

The measures are reviewed by the First Minister and her cabinet every week, on Tuesday morning.

Have the travel restrictions become law?

Existing guidance on moving in and out of areas with the greatest number of coronavirus cases would become law from 6pm on Friday.

Announcing the decision on Tuesday, Nicola Sturgeon said: "To put it bluntly - and we will require to monitor this - if we see evidence that people from East or South Ayrshire are visiting places in North Ayrshire, or that people from Glasgow are going to Inverclyde, we would have no choice but to put these areas in level four too.

"So it is essential that we all abide by travel restrictions."

Scots who breach the travel ban could be issued with a fixed penalty notice for £60, reduced to £30 if paid within a month.

Subsequent breaches will see the fine double to a maximum of £960. In serious cases, the person

could be prosecuted and subject to a court imposed fine.

But Ms. Sturgeon said police would only enforce the restriction "as a last resort" where there was a "clear and flagrant breach", and Police Scotland said there would be no roadblocks or routine stopping of vehicles during the three-week ban.

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Colorado CBS Celebrates Scot-Fest 2020



Front, left to right: Tiernan Blair Galligan, Lochlann Blair Shryack, Cordylia Blair Shryack, Adoree Blair holding Miren Blair. 2nd row, left to right: Elisa Blair, Torin Blair, Erynn Blair Shryack, Saoirse Blair Galligan. 3rd row, left to right: Nick Shryack, Dyani Blair Galligan peeking through, and Jim Blair

With all Colorado Scottish events and festivals cancelled this year, the Denver contingent decided to celebrate anyway! We met at the home of Erynn and Nick Shryack on September 12, and toasted to CBS and enjoyed Haggis Balls and Pulled Pork, scotch eggs and colcannon, and shortbread, of course. Nick broadcast pictures of Colorado CBS events for the past 10 years and we enjoyed our own celebration.

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MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Russ Mc Crary

We would like to acknowledge all our New Members who joined in 2020, those who have become Lifetime Members and a special Honorary Membership to Irene Godwin for her tireless work at The Ellen Payne Odom Genealogy Library in Moultrie, Georgia.

NEW MEMBERS 2020

HONORARY MEMBER

#1241 Irene Godwin

The Ellen Payne Odom Genealogy Library
204 5th St. SE, Moultrie, GA 31768

LIFETIME MEMBERS

#1205 James and Sybil Blair from Tennessee

#1228 Christy Dee and Bruce Porter from Colorado

NEW MEMBERS

#1239 Kevin Blair from Michigan

#1240 Chloe and Richard Hindenlang from Indiana

#1242 Wendy Bockin from Wisconsin

#1243 Karen Brittain from Washington

#1244 John and Karen Bryant from Iowa

#1245 Rita and Roger Scott from Alabama

#1246 Nancy Neal from Nebraska

#1247 Lisa Robbins from Kansas

#1248 Robert Blair from Ohio

#1249 Robert and Dana Carter from Indiana

#1250 Brittany and Byron Branch from Ohio

#1251 Kristin Andre from Alaska

We would like to thank all our members for their continued support during this pandemic and do not forget to stay in contact with your state commissioners for updated information concerning any Highland Festival that a Clan Blair tent may be in attendance.

Renewals for 2021 have been mailed and if your address or email needs to be updated please send information to:

Russell McCray, Membership Chair,
clanmembership@clanblair.org

Have a safe Holiday Season and remember,
“Theid duthchas an aghaidh na’n creag.”

Kinship will withstand the rocks.

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SALE!

CLAN BLAIR SHIRTS

Clan Blair Store Report

The Clan Store has a wide array of clothing items that have been in inventory for several years. Orders are quite slow and managing the inventory of different shapes, sizes and colors is a sizable undertaking. We plan to liquidate all shirts and find a different provider to fulfill clothing requests. The first step is a BIG SALE – 50% reduction in all prices – see the Store website at <https://clanblair.net/cbsmembers/shop>. All clothing is half-off! Shipping fees do apply and you can stock-up for Christmas and next year's festivals.

The following are examples of shirts available with a best estimate of sizes, which are mostly XL, adult small/medium and children's sizes. The logos are out of date, but all reflect the Clan Blair Society heritage and Scottish history.

Multiple items can be ordered at once. I'll do my best to accommodate in single shipment boxes/envelopes. If shipping costs exceed payment I will contact members directly to discuss.

CBS members please go to <https://clanblair.net/cbsmembers/shop> to shop and order. Questions can be forwarded to vicepres@clanblair.org.



White & Blue Short Sleeved T-shirt - Regular
\$13 – Sale \$6.50 plus shipping

Size – Adult Small and Medium

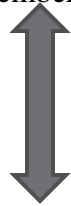
Children's Size – Small, Medium

and Large

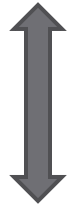




White Polo – Regular Member Price - \$18 –
Sale \$9 plus shipping.
Size - Adult Medium



White & Blue Long-Sleeved Mock Turtleneck –
Regular \$19 – Sale \$8.50 plus shipping
Size – XL to 3XL





Long-sleeved white sweatshirt –
Regular \$19 – Sale \$8.50 plus shipping
Size – XL to 3XL

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Since It is Still Masking Time:



Leslie Blair Gallagher in the mask she made from Blair Dress Tartan

Please contact Leslie Blair-Gallagher at lvblairgallagher@hotmail.com or 720-201-3128.

And More Masks:

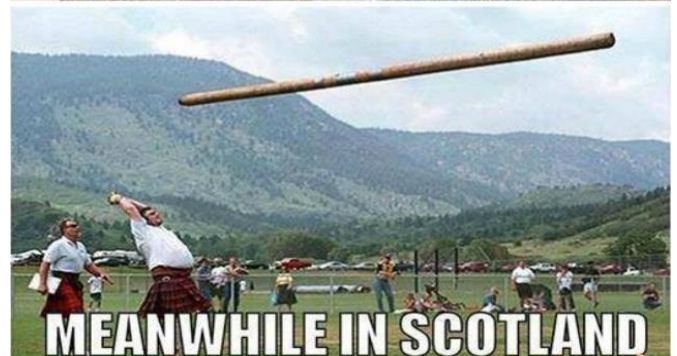
See creations by our Nick Shryack out of Blair Modern Plaid on Clan Blair’s store site on Zazzle:



https://www.zazzle.com/clan_blair_modern_tartan_face_mask-256024154831764987

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