

SEASON'S GREETINGS FROM LORD AILSA

Some things seem to have changed little since my last message to you, here in South Ayrshire, the home of the Kennedys for nigh on one thousand years, we, like you, are still having to face our unseen foe. Covid is still with us, and has temporarily changed the way we go about our daily lives, not just here in our part of Scotland but for everyone throughout the world.

Our summer weather was reasonably nice and this has meant that we have had many socially distanced barbecues in the garden, in place of the much cosier lunch and dinner parties that we would normally have. As it happened, early in the year before we knew how serious Coronavirus is, I had commissioned our local blacksmith to build for us a Victorian veranda onto the side of the house, this has proved incredibly useful for entertaining over the past few months. Our current Covid regulations prevent us from having anyone in the house, so the benefits of having an outdoor covered space are enormous.

We have had occasional visits from Kitty and Archie, Kitty's position with the publisher that she works with is that she deals with their entire portfolio of online "e" and audio books, so she has been incredibly busy over the past months as many people are currently unwilling to visit bookshops, however she was given some time off in July and came home for a bit of a rest. Archie has been fairly busy with his antique valuations work for Sothebys and as luck would have it was asked to value some pieces in a house on the isle of Eriskay off the west coast of Scotland, having flown from London to Glasgow, his connecting flight to Benbecula was postponed for a day, so he came down to Morriston which was a very pleasant surprise for us.

The BBC's Antiques Roadshow visited Culzean in October this year, this is a televised programme where the BBC ask people to bring things of antiquity to be valued by experts live on camera. Over the years they have visited many parts of the country and some wonderful things have been discovered. The producer asked me to bring along something of interest, and as our collection of paintings, antique furniture, and objects' d'art have been regularly valued for insurance purposes I decided to take along something with more personal a meaning, an old photograph album. The album I chose had several

photographs of one of President Eisenhower's visits to Culzean, the photo they liked most was one showing the President with my mother and father taking a tour of the policies of the Castle in an open horse carriage, in the carriage you can see two other people, one is Mr Blair, my father's groom and the other is my late brother Charles as a very small boy, unseen but there is my sister Elizabeth, sadly I had been left in the house with Nanny, probably because they thought I would be too badly behaved! We have many photographs of those visits and also in our archive we have several pieces of correspondence between my father and Dwight and between my mother and Mamie.



President Eisenhower used to enjoy coming to Culzean to relax, on many occasions he joined my father pheasant shooting and afterwards he and the First Lady would dine with my parents and they would spend the evening chatting. On Sundays when at Culzean President Eisenhower would always go to the morning service at Kirkoswald Church and after lunch he would sometimes enjoy a game of golf at Turnberry Golfcourse.

In November an architect was appointed to handle the next stage of the restoration of Maybole Castle, this will involve underpinning some of the foundations of the old house, in the mid fifteen hundreds foundations were large padstones, some of which in this case have settled slightly, mainly due to the increase of heavy traffic going through Maybole. Once the foundations have been stabilized the intention is to remove the Victorian cement harling and replace it with lime harling, which is what the Castle would have originally had. Lime harling allows the walls of the building to breathe, whereas the cement harling develops hairline cracks which let in water and then traps it in the walls keeping them damp. The late scholar of ancient Scottish buildings, Charles McKean goes into some detail about Maybole Castle in his book "The Scottish Chateau" explaining how special the oriel window and dormer pediments are along with the carved chimney heads and other fine points about the building, very fitting for Earl of Cassillis townhouse where he would have spent much of the winter.



A MESSAGE FROM LORD AILSA (continued)

A local resident, Margaret Morrell has written an extremely interesting book about the Turnberry Airfields during the first and second world wars. A high percentage of all RFC and RAF pilots were trained in aerial gunnery at Turnberry, many came from America, Australia and Canada to train. Margaret has managed to get hold of a great many pieces of moving correspondence from airmen to their families and vice versa describing their time here, she then follows each airman through his war, sometimes to a tragic early end. It is a wonderful account of these two very important periods of our recent history and makes one realize how very brave these pioneering fighter pilots were. It is called

“Turnberry Airfield” and is published by Carn Publishing Ltd. I highly recommend this book!

I hope you all had a pleasant Thanksgiving and wish you all an enjoyable Christmas despite the unpleasant situation we are all experiencing.

Stay safe, keep well and take care.

David Ailsa
Marquess of Ailsa

A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE KENNEDY SOCIETY OF NORTH AMERICA BY CHRIS KENNEDY

In 1972 Mr. John Flowers, soon to be our first Society chief, wrote the co-founder of the Grandfather Games, Mrs. Agnes MacRae Morton. John was seeking permission to begin a Kennedy tent at the games. Mrs. Morton was delighted to include us and soon John B. Flowers III, Hugh Maclean Kennedy, and Harry Clay Kennedy met in Charleston in 1972 to make preparations to begin our Society. Thus our Society began at the Grandfather Games in 1973.

In those early days we were active in many Games around the country including the Charleston Games, the Dunedin Games, the Jacksonville FL games, the Savannah games, games in Scottsdale AZ, Monterey CA, Ligonier PA, Santa Rosa CA, and of course the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games. The dues to join the Kennedy Society was a whoppin' \$7.00 a year!

Charter members included John Flowers, Hugh Kennedy, Harry Kennedy, Bob Kennedy, Pat Moncrieffe, Mrs. Agnes Baker, and Anne Robertson Kennedy, among others. By December of 1982 the Society had 126 members, The Kennedy Gazette, began publication in the early 70's. It was a monthly newsletter filled with articles on Kennedy history and new members who had joined. Our website was up and running by fall of 1985, courtesy of the expertise of Nina Eppes, Patrick Kennedy, and Curt Kennedy. In December of 1983 we began our scholarship

fund. Our first Companion of the Oak awards were given to Don and Berniece Canaday in 1985.

Suffice it to say the Kennedy Society was conceived and guided by the hands of qualified leaders, prospered as the years went by, and will continue to thrive with leaders and members who have a respect and a love of all things Scottish!

Past Presidents / Society Chiefs

Current President: Mary Lynn Grant
2016–2019: Leo Kennedy, Chief First Class, Retired
2015: Paul Key
2009–2014: Chris Kennedy
2005–2009: Nomon R. Kennedy, Jr.,
2003–2005: H. Curtis Kennedy, Jr., KTJ, FSA Scot
1989–2003: Donald G. Canaday, Sr., GOTJ, FSA Scot
1986–1989: William Smith
1978–1986: Hugh MacLean Kennedy, FSA Scot
1973–1978: John B. Flowers III, O St. J

Up the coast of Ballantrae, through the ancient kingdom of Carrick, beware, the wild and mighty Kennedys are here!



TENT CONVENING

BY DAVID CARRICK

There are many reasons to attend Scottish games and festivals: to see and hear pipe bands, the ability to shop for a variety of Scottish and related merchandise, and the exhilaration that comes from the atmosphere of the setting, locale, and pageantry. But there exists at least one other major reason – the opportunity to find out more about your clan roots and history. This is where clan tents come into play.

Most clans have a presence at games across North America, and the Kennedy Society is no exception. Tent conveners are the nexus for the interaction between those looking for information on their respective clan and subsequent involvement with that clan. Therefore, they are a critical link with current and potential members in order to maintain a solid membership base.

Convening a tent is an exciting experience, but with it comes a lot of hard work and some monetary costs. As such, these conveners deserve a lot of credit for their efforts. They must be in contact with that game's personnel, pay the costs associated with the tent, provide refreshments, set up and take down the tent's décor, and have the requisite forms and merchandise on hand. Further, they must devote the time necessary to operate the tent and send the membership info and monies to the Membership Chair and/or Treasurer. Costs for having a tent varies per game, and the KSNA has proactively addressed that issue in order to help defray the expense.

As an incentive to recruit and maintain a loyal core of conveners, the Society will reimburse up to \$100 (depending upon the registration fee) per game, as well as give a \$5 bonus per new member recruited at that game. While this does not fully cover the costs associated with that game, it does provide the ability to share in the cost and not overburden the tent convener.

The loss of games and the associated membership opportunity due to the pandemic makes 2021 a critical year to regain the momentum and engagement with existing and potential KSNA that was disrupted by game cancellations in 2020. Certainly, it takes some seasoning to become an experienced and knowledgeable convener. However, KSNA officers, board members, and other tent conveners are available to help guide new tent conveners through the policies, procedures, and other ins and outs of the process. In most cases, there will likely be some of these individuals in attendance at that game that will be able to assist. I can think of only a few instances where that was not the case.

If you are interested in becoming a tent convener, please contact any officer or board member. They would be more than happy to help educate you in what you will find to be a rewarding experience.

TENT REFRESHMENTS

One of the most important aspects of convening a hospitable tent is to provide refreshments for guests.

This includes, but is not limited to:

- Snacks
- Soft drinks
- Adult beverages (if allowed by the respective game)

Individual packs of chips, cookies, etc. are best as they need little set up and are self-contained. Further, they are far more sanitary than large bowls filled with snacks. Likewise, individual cans or bottles of soft drinks and other beverages are also preferred to larger bottles. Some games allow for alcohol and some do not, so be aware of the policies at that particular game. Many require that you be discreet in your presentation or display of such beverages. Most tents, when permitted, usually have some Scotch on hand as well.

The amount and type of refreshment offered is up to the convener, and don't be surprised if your fellow KSNA members bring additional items to supplement your spread.

Having a variety of snacks and other refreshments will go a long way in ensuring an active and congenial tent and provide the hospitality that will not only create a greater bond between current members but also entice prospective newbies.



YOU MIGHT HAVE A MASCOT BY COLLEEN CALDWELL

We do a lot of things at the Kennedy tents to attract visitors. Every game is a unique. Some do passport stamps or coloring pages or pass out candy. If you have adopted an animal or object for your clan tent then you might even have a mascot! Looking back through old Kennedy Gazettes you will barely get glimpses of the mascots. People are always blocking them in the photos! Thus, tent mascots are almost a secret unless you see them in-person. Plus, not everyone has one (or two). Why have a mascot you ask?

Because, according to Sue Kennedy they are simply FUN!

Loch and Nessie (a pair of Loch Ness Monster hand puppets) were given to us by Kathy and Kona when Chris retired as Chief. Loch and Nessie serve several purposes: They attract the kids - which bring the parents!. Often times when I see a group of children approaching the tent, I will put these puppets on my hands and talk to the children. These puppets are like a magnet! Once I have the children's' attention, I explain who Loch and Nessie are- and tell them the story of the Loch Ness Monster. Then I go on to explain the Kennedy tartan and the sporran that Loch is wearing. Having a mascot is a great way to begin a conversation with potentially interested individuals. If I have their attention up to this point, then I go on to explain other aspects of Scottish history and the Kennedy Society.—Sue



Loch and Nessie



Fin



Denis and Ailsa



Riley

Loch and Nessie have attended the following games: the Central Florida Games, the Loch Normon Games, the Dunedin Games, the Savannah Games, the Smoky Mountain Games, the Grandfather Games, the Charleston Games, the Plains Games, and the Stone Mountain Games.

Three years ago, I found myself the proud owner of a stuffed dolphin when my tent helper and sister-in-law gave me one. So, I did the right thing and named him Fin and dressed him in tartan! We had a good time explaining to families about the dolphin on the Kennedy crest and the origin of his name from *Avise la Fin*. Fin has only been to the Ligonier Highland Games. He is rather young.

Before I had my own tent kit, I borrowed Chief Lynn Grant's which included her well-dressed Boyd's Bears, Ailsa and Denis. Although I didn't know their names at the time. They have been to Loch Norman, NC and Ligonier, PA. Inclement weather has kept them from making a few other appearances.

Mascots do not have to be toys. Riley, a wheaten Scottish Terrier, can be found at the Kennedy tent at the Smoky Mountain Scottish Festival with owners Rob and Karen Kennedy of Tennessee. He is a big part of their enjoyment and they always share a bite of haggis with him.

Having a mascot at your tent can be a big attraction, especially if he is like one of the family. And unlike most of these mascots, Riley does get to be in the pictures with the people!



A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAPLAIN

Greetings KSNA members,

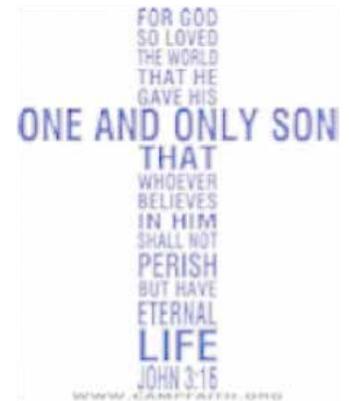
2020 will sure go down as a year to remember. By the time you read this Marcia and I will have 9 months of confinement at home. I am sure many members experienced the same. Zoom is a word many have become familiar with this year.

We have not traveled this road alone, "In Him we live and move and have our being" (Acts 17:28). God is omnipresent, and His presence is always with us.

We are moving into the holiday season with the celebration of our Lords birth - Christmas. A time when Christians and others join with family to sing carols, exchange gifts, and exalt the birth of our Savior. A happy time when we give thanks to God for our many blessings. This year we must also be concerned with the health of our families. A time to pray for better health and many gatherings, and return of the games in 2021.

Please chose a prayer of your liking and PRAY.
Prayers bring our minds and spirit closer to God.

Merry Christmas, and Happy New Year, Blessings
Tom Kennedy, Chaplain KSNA



MERCHANDISE UPDATE

The Kennedy Society has assisted young and engaged students in the Celtic Arts with scholarships for many years. These scholarships are paid, in part, with the funds brought in by selling Kennedy Society items. It started off many years ago with just having black T-shirts but in true Kennedy style, more was wanted. Over the years the shirts evolved into black or green colors and even women's shirts in purple or light blue.

We have had great success with the Challenge coins featuring Culzean Castle, Cassillis House, Dunure Castle and Maybole Castle. These are still available in single coins or in a four-pack collection of the coins. We have had a return of the KSNA Shot Glasses which is a great item to have on display on your Kennedy table or for use in your home! The Kennedy bottle opener/key chain is also great to have in your tent. We still have a very small amount of the tie clips and money clips left.

Any of these items can be used for stocking stuffers as well as larger gifts for your family at Christmas or Birthday gifts, all supporting the Kennedy Society!

We get a lot of great ideas for new items, but these all cost money to manufacture, so in order to get new items we need to be able to sell even more of the current stock. All of the available items can be seen on the website <http://www.kennedysociety.org/ksnamerch.htm> and I can be contacted if you have questions. Any shipping out of the US does require me to be contacted first, as costs vary so very much when shipping abroad.

So, raise the Kennedy Shot Glass and toast for a better, more in-person, 2021.

Thank you, Leo Kennedy.



A LETTER FROM OUR DEPUTY CHIEF

Although I am honored to be your Deputy Chief and to be writing this communique to review the past year and look forward to the next, I am acutely aware of the overwhelming world-wide sentiment to put this year in the rear-view mirror. In fact, and like the country song, I am looking at the world through my windshield.

Last year started with much promise and anticipation. By March, the entire Scottish games calendar and industry, along with many others, went through the floor. It was impossible or risky to put together or attend such an event. An entire year lost, with friendships, relationships, and plans disrupted due to events beyond human control. It was hard enough to go anywhere further than your own neighborhood, let alone drive a few hours to attend different games. Our AGM this year had a fabulous venue in Moab, Utah. Due the virus, it too became a casualty. Unfortunately, the near term games schedule seems to be saddled with the same constraints. Hopefully, expanded mitigation measures and vaccinations will bring this situation to a decisive end. In the meantime, our Membership Chair, Colleen Caldwell, felt that this was a good time to do an in-depth look at the Kennedy Society itself. Many thanks to Colleen for spearheading this effort, and to Kennedy Gazette editor Samantha Dodson Payton!

This issue is focused on some of the various components that make up the KSNA and their importance to our organization's existence. Clearly, the most critical link is between our membership and their ability to meet and socialize with fellow Kennedys - as was self-evident this year. I know that our membership and board and officers are anxiously awaiting the return of the games and normal life. I also know that when things return to normal that everyone needs to take advantage of the opportunity. There is much lost ground and time to make up, and lots of bagpipe music to catch up on!

For Lynn, Sean, Bob, and everyone else, please have a wonderful holiday experience and a MUCH MORE NORMAL new year!

Thanks,
Dave Carrick



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SCHOLARSHIP AND THE CLAN TENT LADY MARY BURN KENNEDY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The Kennedy Society awards annual scholarships to students of Celtic arts such as dance, pipes, drums, harp, fiddle, and language arts. A scholarship award covers the cost of workshop, class, or camp registration.

To receive a Kennedy Society scholarship, the student must meet these criteria:

- Be sponsored by a Kennedy Society member
Note: The student himself or herself does not have to belong to the KSNA. However, the student must be sponsored by a KSNA member. Otherwise, the application will be considered invalid.
- Plan to attend a certified workshop, class, or camp of instruction
- Provide documentation of certification of the workshop, class, camp, or instructor

There are several ways that the Kennedy Scholarship Fund can be incorporated into the Kennedy clan tent:

1. The tent convener can visit the dancing area of the games and leave scholarship applications with the various teachers and parents who are there as their students and children participate in the competitions.
2. Also, the tent convener can visit the various bands and offer to leave applications for anyone who might be interested in a scholarship.
3. The tent convener can have a stack of scholarship applications available at the tent for anyone who comes by who is a dancer or a piper or a drummer.
4. Often, a former scholarship winner or a youth who is interested in a scholarship, will stop by the tent to say hello. If the tent convener feels it is appropriate, why not ask them to give a short performance? This gives the youth a chance to perform to a willing and enthusiastic audience.

Scholarship applications are also available at <http://www.kennedysociety.org/scholarships.htm>

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WHAT IS TARTAN AND OTHER INTERESTING FACTS BY SUE KENNEDY

When images of Scotland come to mind, tartan and the bagpipes will be at the top of the list. Tartan is one of the most recognized symbols of Scottish heritage.

So, what is tartan? Tartan is a woven material, usually wool, having stripes of different colors and varying in width and length. When these stripes are woven together, they appear as squares intersected by stripes which cross each other – these are called a “sett”. The word tartan is said to have come from either the Irish word “tarsna”, meaning crosswise, or the Scottish Gaelic word “tarsuinn”, meaning across.

How did tartan begin? Tartan did not begin in Scotland, but rather in central Europe, where there were ancient Celtic populations in the 8th and 6th centuries BC. It is believed that this early form of weaving came to Northern Britain with the Iron Age. The earliest documented tartan in Britain known as the “Falkirk” tartan dates from the 3rd century AD. This small piece of tartan was discovered at Falkirk in Stirlingshire Scotland. It is a simple two-colored check or tartan of brown and white. Colors were determined by local plants that could be used as dyes. Thus, people who lived in the same area would weave the same tartan pattern and eventually they became clan tartans.

What Kinds of tartans are there? There are over 5000 tartans recorded to date with more being approved every year by the Scottish Tartan authority. These tartans include entries from Scottish clans and families, Scottish geographical districts, military tartans, country as well as state tartans, corporate, and finally personal tartans. Tartans are grouped in to three basic types: ancient, modern, and weathered. The ancient designation is given to those tartans formerly produced using vegetable dyes and are less vivid. The modern tartans are produced with chemical dyes and are more vivid. The weathered tartans are copied from old tartans found on the battlefields or homesteads.

There are several important milestones throughout history for “the wearing of the tartan”. Before the Battle of Culloden in 1745, tartans were worn for daily activities as well as for a dress occasion, or for clan distinction in a battle. After Culloden, the British government was bent on destroying the Clan System and the wearing of a tartan was a criminal offense. When the law was repealed in 1822, there was a resurgence of Scottish nationalism. The wearing of the tartan and a kilt became popular once again.

Gentleman – The Tartan

Here’s to it, the fighting sheen of it, the yellow, the green of it,
The swing, and hue of it, the dark, and the red of it, every thread of it.
The fair have sighed for it, the brave have died for it,
Foeman sought for it, heroes fought for it, Honour the name of it,
Drink to the fame of it
THE TARTAN
But most of all – be Proud of it!

by Murdoch Maclean



Kennedy Ancient



Kennedy Modern



Kennedy Weathered



MEMBERSHIP NEWS

BY COLLEEN CALDWELL

“Will there be a Kennedy tent at my local event?”

“What do I need to do to be a tent convener?”

As the membership chair, I have heard both of these questions. From reading through previous issues of the Kennedy Gazette you might have developed a sense of how important the festival/game calendar is to us. Most new members join at the games. Newsletters are usually full of game coverage. A year without those events allows some space to highlight them in a different way. This issue of the Gazette will hopefully keep those games alive for you, answer some questions, and explain what we do there.

Until we can meet in-person again, be safe!

Welcome to new member Rook Elizabeth Ringer of St. Augustine, FL who joined in November.

SAVE THE DATE

The 2021 KSNA Annual General Meeting is scheduled for

Saturday, September 18, 2021

At the Ligonier Highland Games, Ligonier, Pennsylvania

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

Watch for more information to come in the spring and summer issues.



A MESSAGE FROM OUR EDITOR

Greetings to all of our extended family! It's the end of the year and I have to say this one has been a whirlwind. I don't think any of us have come through this year unscathed, the events of this year have in some way touched each and every one of us. I think it's important to make sure that our members that we call our family understand that we as The Kennedy Society of North America are here for each and every one of our members. We are family and we stand with our members and support one another in any way that we

can. If anyone is facing difficulties it's important to reach out for help. Everyone is welcome to reach out to any of us for a listening ear, help or help finding resources local to you. I hope that everyone enjoys a peaceful, safe and prosperous holiday season and new year.

Sincerely,
Your Editor,
Samantha



OATCAKES (OAT CRACKERS)

Oatcakes are a common staple in a Scottish cheese plate.
Easy to make and tasty too.

Prep Time: 10 mins

Cook Time: 15 mins

Total Time: 25 mins

Course: Snack

Cuisine: Scottish

Keyword: oat crackers, Scottish oatcakes

Servings: 8 -10

Calories: 35kcal

Author: Caroline's Cooking



Ingredients

- 4 oz pinhead oatmeal 115g Scottish pinhead oatmeal, similar to steel cut (approx 1 cup)
- 1/4 cup whole wheat flour 35g (1 1/4oz) wholemeal flour
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 1/4 tsp baking soda /bicarbonate of soda
- 1 tbsp unsalted butter 15g - cold
- 3 tbsp water

Instructions

1. Preheat the oven to 350F/175C.
2. In a bowl, mix together the oatmeal, flour, salt and baking soda.
3. Cut up the butter and rub it in to the oatmeal-flour mixture so it is broken up and mixed through.
4. Add the water and mix together and form into a ball.
5. Lightly flour a surface and a rolling pin and roll out the mixture to around 3-5mm/0.1 - 0.2in thick.
6. Cut circles out of the dough and place on a baking sheet/tray and bake for approx 15-20mins until they are dry, slightly firm and lightly golden.

Nutrition

Calories: 35kcal

Carbohydrates: 4g

Fat: 1g

Cholesterol: 3mg

Sodium: 185mg

Potassium: 23mg

Vitamin A: 45IU

Calcium: 3mg

Iron: 0.3m

This recipe was found online at Caroline's Cooking, she has a very extensive collection of Scottish Recipes!

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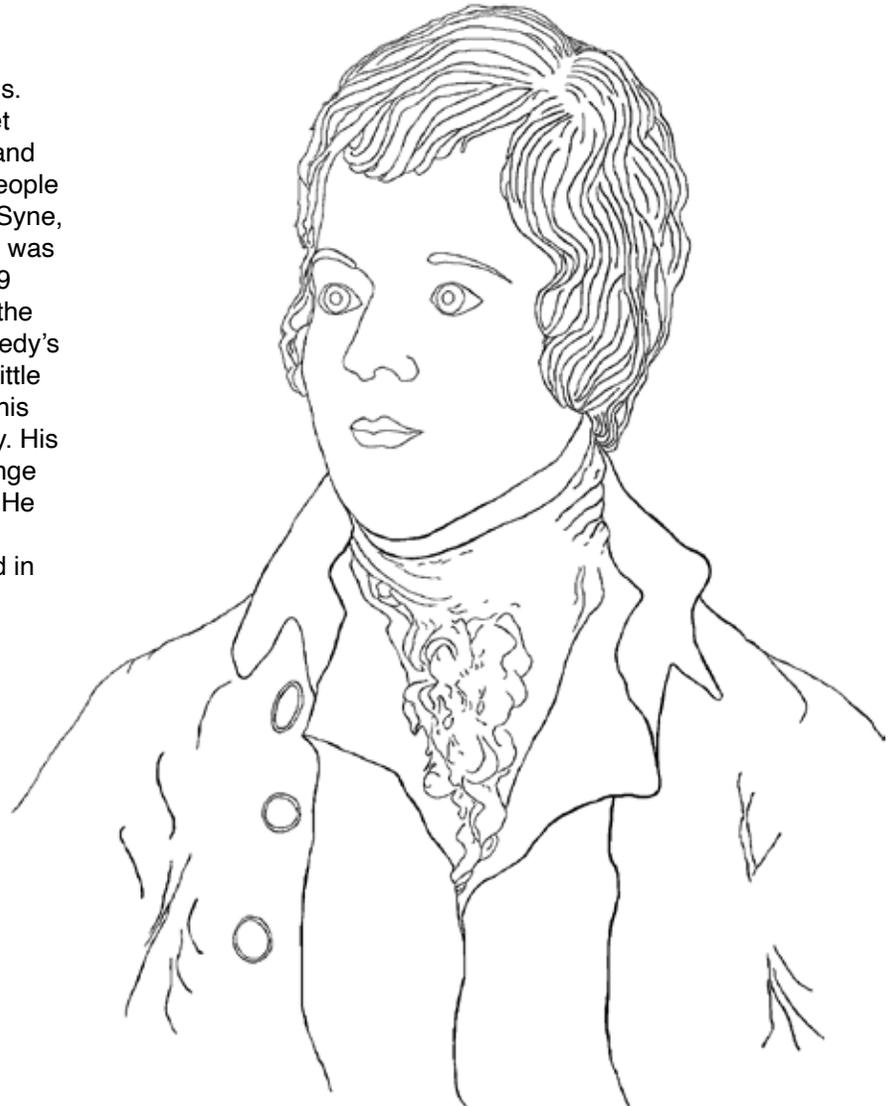
WHERE WE HAVE BEEN TOLD THERE WILL BE A KENNEDY TENT DECEMBER 2020 - MARCH 2021

Unfortunately, many games have been canceled out of an abundance of caution. This leaves us with few if any games still being held. We try to keep updates on our Facebook page as we receive news, but please check with the games office before traveling to any game you had intended on going to and feel free to check in with us as well.

Any conveners that are planning to work games in 2021 please be sure to send the dates to Samantha or Lynn so that we can ensure the information is shared.

WHO IS ROBERT BURNS?

Robert Burns, was also known as Rabbie Burns. He is widely sometimes called the national poet of Scotland, because he had so many poems and songs written in the Scottish language. Most people in America know of him because of Auld Lang Syne, the song played every New Year's Eve. Robert was born in Alloway, Scotland on January 25th 1759 to a poor farming family. Alloway is located on the historical Kennedy lands, which is where Kennedy's connect to Robert Burns. Despite having very little opportunity for school, he learned to read and his family encouraged his love of books and poetry. His own writing would out live him and help to change the course of history in Scotland and England. He passed away on July 21st 1796 and now each year on January 25th Burn's night is celebrated in Scotland and America in his memory.





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