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Well my bags are packed. I'm ready to go.

So goes the old John Denver song "Leavin' On a Jet Plane", and I can tell you I am definitely ready to go to the Clan Hunter International Gathering at Hunterston in August. According to all reports the numbers are down for the gathering and so some of the activities have had to be curtailed, but we are still looking forward to meeting old friends making new acquaintances and having a right old Scottish good time. Because of the timing of our trip to Scotland, Christine and I will not be able to attend many of the Highland Games that we normally do. We were able to attend the Chatham Games last week where our dear friend Dave Elder, (wife of Catherine our past Genealogist), was appointed Chieftain of the Games. Julie and Mark Nykamp have volunteered to host the Clan Hunter tent at Fergus this year so please make an effort to join them if you can and put on a good show for the Clan. I want to thank Julie and Mark for their participation, as volunteers are so hard to come by, it's nice to see their enthusiasm. Again because of my trip to Scotland for the Gathering, we will not be having our annual meeting at Fergus this year and so this year, as announced in the April newsletter, the Annual General Meeting and get together will be in London, Ontario at Chalmers Presbyterian Church. Look for more details on **page 5**. Also in this issue we have included a copy of all the Highland Games by Province, with dates, all across Canada. We really encourage you to attend and if you think you could do the same as Julie and Mark and host a tent at your local Games then let us know and we will help set you up with all the paperwork etc. Who knows maybe we could have Clan Hunter tents being hosted all over the country. Christine and I have for some time now been anxious to visit you folks out on the East and West coasts and next year we intend to make a valiant effort to make it to the East. We haven't decided yet which would be the best Games to meet the most folk. Maybe you East Coasters could help us there.



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Newsletter by e-mail

Are you still reading your copy of the Hunters' Halloo in hard copy format? Can you imagine how much more you might enjoy it in full colour? If you would like to sample what it might look like send me an e-mail at thunter01@rogers.com and type "sample newsletter please" in the content line. I will then send you a sample newsletter via e-mail for you to enjoy without committing to anything. Should you decide you really like the format you can let me know and we can begin sending you your newsletter by that method. Don't forget to give me your regular address or membership number so that I can positively identify you. Always remember that you can switch back to the regular newsletter at any time.



William Hunter, pencil sketch, by Charles Grignion, c. 1780 (Hunterian Art Gallery)

'Hunter was gay and lively to the last degree, and often came in to us at nine o'clock fatigued and jaded. He had had no dinner, but supped on a couple of eggs and drank his claret His toast was "May no English gentleman venture out of this world without a Scottish Physician, as I am sure there are none who venture in."'

(Alexander Carlyle, on meeting Hunter at a London coffee house).

On The Road Again?

Oh Boy! With all the stuff you have to do it can be really easy to forget to tell us. But remember you may know where you are but we don't. So if you want to keep getting your newsletter remember to tell us of any change of address, change of e-mail address or change of status (married) so that our records can be kept up to date.

Having said all that we need your help to find one of our members.

Daryl Jones of Brampton has managed to give us the slip. Anyone knowing where Daryl has relocated is asked to contact us at the address on the page 1

or cbhunter@rogers.com



International Clan Hunter Gathering 2004

By the time you read this newsletter it will only be a week or so until the Clan Gathering in Scotland but in case we have folks that like to make up their mind at the last minute here are the details of the program once more

Saturday 7th August 2004

Castle Open from 10am

Buffet Lunch laid out in the Castle from 12.00 midday (£11.50 per person)

Tea (£0.50) and Coffee (£0.75)

and home baking from £0.60 from 11.00am.

2.00pm Clan Photo.

Dinner in the Masonic Hall, Arthur Street, West Kilbride from 7.00pm, Dress Semi-Formal (£20.00 per head, wine served with meal).

Entertainment in evening provided by "Something Scottish".

Sunday 8th August 2004

Award of the "Order of the Royal



Huntsman" 11.30am

Isle of Cumbrae RBLs Pipe Band and Dancers from 10.00am

Buffet at Hunterston Castle (£13.00 per head)

If you would like to register your interest in the Clan Gathering then send an email to Madam Pauline at hunterclh@clanhunter.info.

Hunterston Castle, West Kilbride, Ayrshire, KA23 9QG. Telephone; 01294-82 -

Alberta Date 2004 Games/Festivals Location

May 8 Festival in the Rockies Cochrane, AB
Jun 13 Grand Prairie Highland Games Grand Prairie, AB
Jun 19 Highland Gathering in the Park Sherwood Park, AB
Jun 25-26 Red Deer Highland Games Red Deer, AB
Jun 27 Ellerslie Highland Games Ellerslie, AB
Jun 27 Edmonton Scottish Society Highland Gathering Edmonton, AB
Jul 10 Fort Edmonton Highland Games Fort Edmonton, AB
Jul 11-16 Red Deer Annual Highland Happening Red Deer, AB
Aug 28 High River Highland Games High River, AB
Sep 4 Calgary Highland Games Calgary, AB
Sep 5 Canmore Highland Games Canmore, AB

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British Columbia Date 2004 Games/Festivals Location

Mar 12-17 CelticFest 2004 Vancouver, BC
May 22 Comox Valley Highland Games Courtenay, BC
May 23 Victoria Highland Games Victoria, BC
CANCELLED Gathering of the Clans Prince George, BC **Cancelled for 2004**
Jun 12 Sons of Scotland Games Abbotsford, BC
Jun 19 BC Legion Highland Gathering White Rock - South Surrey, BC
Jun 18-19 Cariboo Highland Games Quesnel, BC
Jun 26 BC (United) Scottish Highland Games and Festival Coquitlam, BC
Jul 3 Penticton Highland Games Penticton, BC

<http://www.celticfestvancouver.com/>
<http://www.cvhg.org/> e-mail: archives@island.net
www.victoriahighlandgames.com/
www.eteamz.com/sonsofscotland/
www.highlandgathering.ca/
www.cariboohighlandgames.com
e-mail: mkpelchat@shaw.ca or carihigh@goldcity.net
<http://www.bchighlandgames.com/>
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Manitoba Date 2004 Games/Festivals Location

Feb 20-22 Winnipeg Scottish Festival Winnipeg, MB
Jul 3 Manitoba Highland Gathering Selkirk, MB
Aug 8-14 Folkorama Winnipeg, MB
Jun 25-26 Scottish Heritage Festival Winnipeg, MB ?

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www.tartans.com/pavilion

New Brunswick Date 2004 Games/Festivals Location

May 22 Gathering of the Scots Festival Perth-Andover, NB ?
Jul 23-25 New Brunswick Highland Games Fredericton, NB
Aug 28-29 Miramichi Highland Gathering Bartibogue NB ?

www.nbhighlandgames.com/

Nova Scotia Date 2004 Games/Festivals Location

Jun 29-Jul 7 Nova Scotia Tattoo Halifax, NS
Jul 1 Gathering of the Clans Pugwash, NS
Jul 26-Aug 13 Ceilidh Trail School of Music Festival Inverness, NS
Jul 3 Scottish Heritage Festival East Lake Ainslie, NS ?
Jul 10 Halifax Scottish Festival & Highland Games Halifax, NS
Jul 9-11 Glendale Ceilidh Days Glendale, NS ?
Jul 16-18 Antigonish Highland Games Antigonish, NS
Jul 14-17 Festival of the Tartans New Glasgow, NS ?
Aug 6-8 ??? St. Ann's Highland Gathering St. Ann's, NS ?
Aug 11-15 The Hector Festival Pictou, NS ?
Oct 8-16 Celtic Colours International Festival Cape Breton Is., NS

www.nstatattoo.ca
e-mail: klangill@cumberlandcounty.ns.ca
www.ceilidhtrail.com/
www.halifaxhighlandgames.com/
<http://antigonishhighlandgames.com>
www.celtic-colours.com

Ontario Date 2004 Games/Festivals Location

Mar 21 ?? ROM Celtic Celebration Family Sunday Toronto, ON ?
Apr 26 ?? Hanover Indoor Games Hanover, ON
May 21-22 Celtfest Callander Callander, near North Bay, ON www.celtfest.org e-mail: windsor@thot.net or freelanc@sympatico.ca
Jun 4-6 Brockville Celtic Festival Brockville, ON
Jun 12-13 Hamilton International Tattoo Performances at 2:30 pm Hamilton, ON
ita@on.aibn.com
Jun 12 Georgetown Highland Games Georgetown, ON ?
Jun 14 ?? Prescott Highland Tattoo Prescott, ON

www.brockvillecelticfestival.com
<http://www.hamiltontattoo.ca/> e-mail:
e-mail: images@recorder.ca

Jun 18-20 Windsor Celtic Festival Windsor, ON ?
 Jun 19 Veterans' Memorial Highland Games Spencerville, ON <http://www.cybertap.com/brothers/hg/2chg.html>
 e-mail: kebush@on.aibn.com
 Jun 19 North Bay Highland Gathering North Bay, ON ?
CANCELLED Loch Sloy Highland Games Fort Erie, ON www.geocities.com/lochsloygames/ e-mail: lochsloy@vaxxine.com
Cancelled for 2004
 Jun 26 Hamilton Highland Games Ancaster, ON <http://hhg.sphosting.com/>
 Jun 26 Games - I have no details Hamilton, ON ?
CANCELLED Barrie Celtic Festival & Highland Games Supreme Barrie, ON www.burlescreek.com/celtic.html
Cancelled for 2004
 Jul 1 Zorra Caledonia Highland Games Embro, ON e-mail: dj.ferguson@sympatico.ca
 Jul 2-4 Kincardine Scottish Festival & Highland Games Kincardine, ON www.bmts.com/~kinscotfest/
 Jul 3 Cobourg Highland Games Cobourg, ON www.highlandgames.nu/
 Jul 10 Haliburton Highland Games Haliburton, ON <http://www.haliburtonhighlandgames.com/> -
 e-mail: jurow@halhinet.on.ca
 Jul 10-11 Tartan Sertoma Chathan-Kent Supreme Highland Games Chatham, ON www.tartansertoma.ca
 Jul 10-11 Celtic Continuum Festival Wasaga Beach, ON www.georgian.net/celtic/
 Jul 16-18 Orillia Scottish Festival Orillia, ON e-mail: briden2896@rogers.com
 Jul 17 Cambridge Highland Games Cambridge, ON www.cambridgehighlandgames.org/
 e-mail: info@cambridgehighlandgames.org
CANCELLED Prince Edward Highland Games Picton, ON www.pec.on.ca/celtic/
Cancelled for 2004
 Jul 23-25 Highlands of Durham Games Uxbridge, ON www.highlandsofdurhamgames.com/
 Jul 23-24, 2005 Kingston Heritage Tattoo Kingston, ON www.tattoo.kingston.on.ca/
 e-mail: contact@tattoo.kingston.on.ca
 Jul 30-31 Glengarry Highland Games Maxville, ON www.glengarryhighlandgames.com
 Aug 13-15 Celtic Roots Festival & College Goderich, ON www.celticfestival.ca/ e-mail: celtic.festival@odyssey.on.ca
 Aug 13-15 Fergus Highland Games Fergus, ON www.fergusscottishfestival.com
 Aug 20-21 Sarnia Highland Games Sarnia, ON www.sarniahighlandgames.com/
 Aug 20-22 ?? London Celtic Gathering London, ON ?
 Aug 21 North Lanark Highland Games Almonte, ON www.almontehighlandgames.com/
CANCELLED Kawartha Highland Games Fenelon Falls, ON **Cancelled for 2004**
 Aug 28-29 Celtic Festival at Fort Henry Kingston, ON www.parks.on.ca/fort/celtic.htm
 Sep 11 Trenton Scottish/Irish Festival Trenton, ON ?
 Sep 17-19 Owen Sound Celtic Festival Owen Sound, ON e-mail: smurray@e-owensound.ca

Prince Edward Island Date 2004 Games/Festivals Location

Jun 25-27 Summerside Highland Gathering and Celtic Festival Summerside, PE www.collegeofpiping.com/
 Aug 5-8 Caledonian Club Highland Games Eldon, PE <http://www.islandregister.com/skye/skye2003.html>
 Aug 9 Scottish Festival & Games Orwell, PE ?

Quebec Date 2004 Games/Festivals Location

Aug 1 Montreal Highland Games Verdun, PQ montrealhighlandgames.qc.ca
 Aug 13-15 Montréal International Celtic Festival Montréal, PQ www.montrealcelticfestival.com/

Saskatchewan Date 2004 Games/Festivals Location

Feb 6-8 Mid-Winter Celtic Festival Regina, SK www.gpfn.sk.ca/culture/arts/celtic/
 May 23 Regina Highland Games Regina, SK www.reginahighlandgames.org
 May 22 Moose Jaw Highland Games Moose Jaw, SK (306) 693-4904
 Jun 5-6 Mosaic Tartan Curling Club Regina SK ?
 Aug 5-7 Saskatoon FolkFest Saskatoon, SK e-mail: higgins.peters@sk.sympatico.ca

Yukon Date 2004 Games/Festivals Location

Jun 25-27 Yukon Gathering of the Clans and Celtic Festival Whitehorse, YT <http://www.klondike.com/highland/clans/2000>
Cancelled for 2004

Newfoundland & Labrador, Northwest Territories, Nunavut No Games/Festivals are known for these regions.

Annual General Meeting:
This is the second printing of this notice

It was decided at last year's Annual General meeting to hold the 2004 AGM at Hunterston. At the time of the meeting it appeared that there would be more than enough Canadian members attending to produce a quorum (10 required). However since that time the number of those intimating their intentions of attending the Clan Gathering at Hunterston have greatly diminished leaving us with no other course than to re-schedule the AGM to allow for greater participation of our membership. Notice is therefore given that the Annual General Meeting will be held at **3.00p.m. on 28 Aug 2004 at Chalmers Presbyterian Church, London, Ontario, located at 342 Pond Mills Road.** If approaching London on the 401 Highway take exit 189 (Highbury Ave.). Proceed North on Highbury Ave. to Commissioners Road. Turn West onto Commissioners Road and pro-

ceed West to the traffic lights at Pond Mills Road (church can be seen on your left) Turn left onto Pond Mills Road and the church entrance is on the left just past the Sunoco Gas Station. In addition to the meeting we would like to go out for dinner afterwards so it would be most helpful if those planning to attend would let Christine Hunter, Membership Secretary, know their intentions by e-mail at **cbhhunter@rogers.com** or by phone (please leave a message) at **(519) 681-4101** Tell us if you're coming and if you are joining us for dinner.

Membership Report

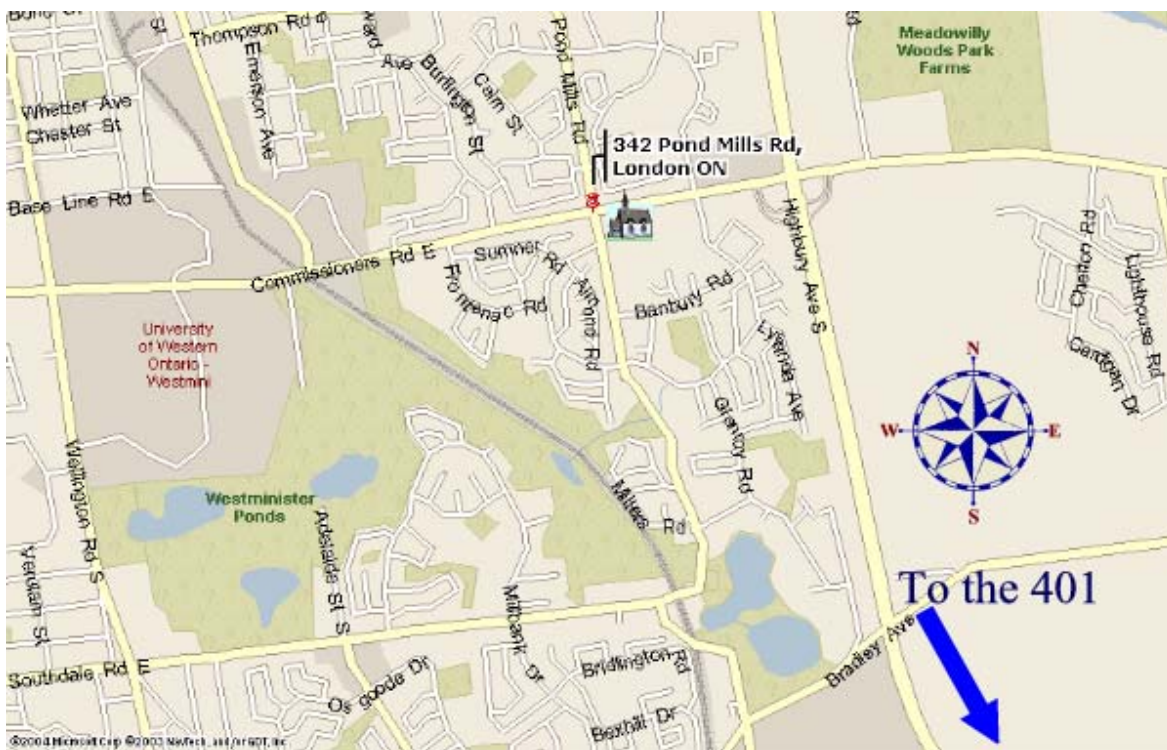
This is just a gentle reminder that it is now time to pay your yearly dues. For those who have already paid, we thank you, and for the others – we encourage you to get out your cheque book, and send off your dues to **Don Hunter, 138 Sweeney Drive, Toronto, Ontario, M4A 1T9.**

In the last newsletter we asked for everyone's opinion on the possibilities of paying dues on the Internet – but by far the largest majority of replies received so far have been in favour of sticking with the cheques. We would still like to hear from those who haven't yet answered our survey so that we can be sure that we are indeed serving the majority.

In the Canadian Association we have approximately 122 members. Of this 33 are inactive because of unpaid dues or having moved and not given us a forwarding address.

Of our 89 active members, 72% paid their dues last year. So far 25% have paid this year. When you pay your dues, a large part of the money goes to Scotland, and the rest stays here in Canada. The money that stays here is used for any expenses that we, as an Association, incur. It pays for the paper and postage for the newsletter – we have a company that very kindly lets us use their photocopying facilities at no charge. It pays to sponsor Cassoc (Canadian Association of

Scottish Societies of Canada) and also the University of Guelph Scottish Studies Association. Clan Hunter's mandate includes advancing Scottish knowledge here in Canada – and these sponsorships are ways we can contribute to this cause.



Guess who came to dinner?

Sonia Madam Hunter of Hunterston, mother of our clan chief, was in Canada recently to visit a friend and to do a little family research, which gave some of the clan members an opportunity to meet with her for lunch. The favoured spot was a delightful restaurant in Oakville called "The Stone Boats"



Tom Hunter, Sharron Jackson, Catherine & Dave Elder and Christine Hunter all ready for lunch



Dave Elder, Aldene and Bob Hunter enjoy a joke across the table



*Marion Hunter, Tom Hunter and Catherine Elder
"Stop talking while I take your photo!"*



Sue Ritson, Madam Sonia and Christine Hunter trying to decide what looks good on the menu



And here we are, all 11 of us enjoying the ambience and each other's company.