

CLAN MACLEAN HERITAGE TRUST

MINUTES OF THE NINTH MEETING

Held at 86 Princes St, Edinburgh at 10.00am.

11th January 2000

Attendees: Major Nicholas Maclean-Bristol. Chairman
Sir Lachlan Maclean of Duart and Morvern.
Canon Allan Maclean of Dochgarroch.
Lt Col Donald MacLean.
Dr. James MacLean. Treasurer.
Malcolm F MacLean. Secretary.

Prior to opening the formal matters of the meeting the Chairman expressed how sad it was to have lost so recently two stalwarts of the Clan Maclean in the deaths of Detta Maclean and Lorraine Maclean of Dochgarroch. Detta was both general and international secretary of the Clan Association and an active voice in many Highland organisations throughout Scotland. Detta's help and experience will be sorely missed by all members and friends of the Clan. Lorraine maintained a deep interest in Highland history throughout her lifetime. She was the editor of the Inverness Field Clubs publications on the middle ages and the Seventeenth Century in the Highlands. She was also the author of a biography of her ancestor Sir Alan Cameron of Erracht and of The raising of the 78th Highlanders. We all at the meeting regret her passing.

On a brighter note Sir Lachlan was congratulated on his award of a CVO in the recent New Years Honours List.

1. Apologies

Apology received from Ronald who was unable to attend due to being marooned by bad weather on Tiree.

2. Minutes of the 8th Meeting

Following a brief discussion these were accepted unanimously and signed by the Chairman.

3. Chairman's Report

Coll Mausoleum

Nicholas reported very briefly that funding for the Coll Mausoleum from the HLF's Nadir project had been rejected. He was however going to continue in his efforts to gain additional justifications so that a resubmission for funding can be made and consideration given to future action. Lachlan added that any hopes of funding from Historic Scotland would not be forthcoming until the year 2004.

CLAN MACLEAN HERITAGE TRUST

MINUTES OF THE NINTH MEETING

Held at 86 Princes St, Edinburgh at 10.00am.

11th January 2000

Attendees: Major Nicholas Maclean-Bristol. Chairman
Sir Lachlan Maclean of Duart and Morvern.
Canon Allan Maclean of Dochgarroch.
Lt Col Donald MacLean.
Dr. James MacLean. Treasurer.
Malcolm F MacLean. Secretary.

Prior to opening the formal matters of the meeting the Chairman expressed how sad it was to have lost so recently two stalwarts of the Clan Maclean in the deaths of Detta Maclean and Lorraine Maclean of Dochgarroch. Detta was both general and international secretary of the Clan Association and an active voice in many Highland organisations throughout Scotland. Detta's help and experience will be sorely missed by all members and friends of the Clan. Lorraine maintained a deep interest in Highland history throughout her lifetime. She was the editor of the Inverness Field Clubs publications on the middle ages and the Seventeenth Century in the Highlands. She was also the author of a biography of her ancestor Sir Alan Cameron of Erracht and of The raising of the 78th Highlanders. We all at the meeting regret her passing.

On a brighter note Sir Lachlan was congratulated on his award of a CVO in the recent New Years Honours List.

1. Apologies

Apology received from Ronald who was unable to attend due to being marooned by bad weather on Tiree.

2. Minutes of the 8th Meeting

Following a brief discussion these were accepted unanimously and signed by the Chairman.

3. Chairman's Report

Coll Mausoleum

Nicholas reported very briefly that funding for the Coll Mausoleum from the HLF's Nadir project had been rejected. He was however going to continue in his efforts to gain additional justifications so that a resubmission for funding can be made and consideration given to future action. Lachlan added that any hopes of funding from Historic Scotland would not be forthcoming until the year 2004.

CLAN MACLEAN HERITAGE TRUST

4. Treasurer's Report.

The Treasurer presented copies of the financial statement as at the 9th January 2000 showing a £3,088.31 net total of income over expenditure. James went on to express concern that current Covenants/Donations are raising only some £400 p.a. He again stressed that a considerable effort was required by all at the meeting to improve the Trusts cashflow.

Sir Lachlan said that he would be at the London Gathering on the 4th February and would raise the subject of funding for the Trust in his introductory speech to the London Branch members and their guests.

Donald suggested that now we have identified the Inverkeithing project for 2001, then this project should as a priority be put onto the existing Maclean inter-net web site. To support this approach Nicholas was asked to provide a suitable "sharp and exciting" write up of the battle. Additionally Allan was asked if he would undertake to map out the scene of the battle and pass the results of his labours to Donald by Mid February for inclusion onto the web page.

Donald also asked that a prospective list of affluent names for fund-raising be compiled, bearing in mind such persons do not need to bear the Maclean name. It may transpire that other affluent persons with Scottish interests of a business or personal nature might be sympathetic to the Trusts ambitions.

5. Project Reports.

5.1 Inverkeithing 1651

Sir Lachlan stated that a suitable site now appears to have been found and discussions are to take place with Sandy Mason of Alfred Stewart Properties on the erection of a suitable monument. The hope was that a cairn would be built in a similar style to the one placed on Islay.

5.2 Iona - Maclean's Brass Foot

Allan reported that the achievement of this project was under control.

5.3 Coll Mausoleum

Held in abeyance. (See comments under Item 3 Chairman's Report.)

CLAN MACLEAN HERITAGE TRUST

5.4 Genealogical Project

In this area Allan was asked to collect evidence on what was currently being undertaken in the area of Family History and to put forward, if possible, some tentative proposals for consideration. It was felt that at the next gathering the printing and updating of Family History Charts could be a possible fund raiser for the Heritage Trust.

5.5 Register of Deeds

The Chairman reported that due to cost this project is unlikely to be undertaken at the present time by the Scottish Record Office (SRO). [*After the meeting NMB and AMM visited SRO and discussed possibility of AMM carrying out this task.*] Report to be given at next meeting.

5.6 Maclean Piper Bursary

Donald was still working on this in terms of considering whether or not it should be a Home or Overseas young piper who should be supported. It has come to light that there are one or two young home grown Maclean pipers who might be more than capable of fulfilling the bursary standards. The result of the Home/Overseas debate would of course have an influence on the travel and accommodation costs to be borne by the Trust for the Piping Course.

5.7 Maclean Pipe Music Reprint

Currently being actioned by Donald with the intention of the reprints being available by the 2002 gathering.

5.8 Lichlee Battle of Mull

Sir Lachlan said that the only person who could identify the site of this battle between Macleans and MacDonalds (1580) was Lachlan Maclean of Knock. It was again thought to be advantageous to the Heritage Trust if this project could be finalised prior to 2002.

5.10 Pennycross Graveyard

Allan volunteered to ask WeldMech at Taynult to provide cost estimates for the replacement of decorative axe-heads missing from the railings when next a Company representative was on Mull.

CLAN MACLEAN HERITAGE TRUST

C M H T PROJECT LISTING

Ref. No.	Project Heading	Comp. Date	Funding	Apprvd.	Project Contact
1	Brass Foot Restoration	1999	£500	Yes	Rev. Allan
2	Inverkeithing	2001	£5000	Yes	Sir Lachlan.
3	Coll Mausoleum	2001	£20000	Yes	Nicholas
4	Genealogical Proj. Heritage Centre	2002			Donald/Allan
5	Reg. of Deeds Search 1600/60		£12000		Allan
6	Maclean Piper Bursary	2002			Donald
7	Maclean Pipe Music Reprint	2002			Kenneth (Piper)
8	Lichlee Battle of Mull	2002	£5000		Sir Lachlan
9	Glenlivet				Charles
10	Pennycross Graveyard				Nicolas- Penny
11	Editing & Pub. Ian Maclean Poetry				John Macinnes
12	Coll Maclean Poetry				Nicholas

6.0 Any Other Business

In the absence of Ronald discussion on his submitted paper **Clan Maclean Heritage Trust Funding** was deferred until the next meeting.

Allan asked what had happened to further projects coming from Australia and the USA. The Secretary replied that he had written to Brian Mclean in Australia on the 14th November 1999 that out of 7 names put forward by Jeanette Wickham some months earlier, only Catherine MacLeod nee Maclean of Bacchus satisfied the guide lines. More detailed background was requested in November but no additional data has been received. The meeting asked that the Secretary write a follow up letter to Brian to elucidate any further proposals from Jeanette.

Determination of the rotation date of all Trustees to be made available for the next meeting.

7. Date and Venue for next meeting

Date the 19th July 2000 at 10.00am, Duart Castle, Isle of Mull