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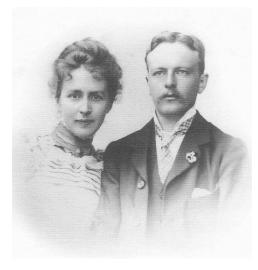
Newsletter of the 2014 McNair-Scott Jamboree



McNair

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An Invitation to the stirpes of:



Alice Nystrom

Born:

Gothenburg, Sweden, 29 July 1869

Robert McNair Scott

Born:

Singapore, 18 February 1870

Married:

Brechin, Scotland, 3 October 1899

ALICE & ROBERT M^cNAIR SCOTT (A&RMcNS)

We will gather together at the Castle of Fingask to celebrate the lives of our remarkable ancestors and their extraordinary descendents!

This newsletter will reach you almost a year before the reunion. We will follow it up with more newsletters as plans mature and information is obtained. Please, please do send us suggestions, biographies and photos so that we can make this stirpes gathering informative and enjoyable.

We hope that all of you will be able to join us, but if you are unable to do so, we urge you to keep in touch by e-mail or through the Stirpes website (now in construction).

The jamboree will be held at the Castle of Fingask; all activities, except for the tour on Saturday, will be held there. Check out the Castle at:

www.fingaskcastle.co.uk

Tentative Schedule 11-13 July 2014

We welcome suggestions

Friday, Noon to 22 hrs.

- Arrival and settle in.
- Explore family history, the castle & grounds
- Buffet Supper with conversation and musical chairs
- Dancing lessons on the Scottish Reel

Saturday, 9 AM to 18 hrs.

- Breakfast
- Bus trip to Balwyllo Farm, Brechiin, Castles & Gardens. The next newsletter will explore our connections to Angus and the valley of the Esk river.

Saturday, 18 - 22 hrs.

- Banquet , with more conversation & family stories
- Dancing, including Scottish Reels!
 Bring your camera for taking & sharing pictures.

Sunday, 9-12 hrs.

- Church service in castle chapel will be available
- Brunch Those who can are welcome to stay longer

Stirpes Reunion Website.

Our website is currently under construction. It will contain detailed information about the jamboree, including specifics of the tour and alternative McNair Scott-related self-guided tours of the area. And oh, so much more. You'll find, photos, pictures, texts and information. Information on A&RMcNS and their children, (the basis for our McNS stirpes ID numbers) We hope that you will also contribute more photos and information from your branches of the family. We will have a genealogy section and an address listing. Please tell us about the lives and accomplishments of deceased and living members of the family and include photographs. We will incorporate this information into the website. All sensitive information, such as birth dates, addresses, phone and e-mail addresses will be kept in a password protected part of the website.

Getting to Fingask

Getting to Fingask is not difficult; from London there are happy over-night trains to Dundee and/or Perth from Euston station. From London City Airport (in the middle of the Thames) there are regular daily flights to Dundee. Fingask Castle is about 15 minutes by car from the Dundee airport. Gill, Andrew's assistant will be glad to arrange for taxi pick-ups. If numbers justify, a plane for the journey to Dundee from London might be arranged. Let us know your interest and we will investigate.

Thoughts & Plans We welcome comments and ideas

We anticipate that you may desire to dress for the occasion. We will make available before hand, a tailor who can run up McFarlane or Scott trews, kilts, skirts and jackets for gentlemen and ladies. If you wish, tee shirts with crests may available.



The menus will include Scottish delicacies such as haggis with neeps and tatties, cullen skink, Scottish salmon, fresh or smoked with horseradish sauce, kedgeree, Arran potato salad, bannocks/ baps, Caledonian cream, etc. with vegetarian and vegan dishes upon request.

Accomadations



Remember most accommodations will be provided by Fingask and many of you have made reservations with Gill, Andrew's assistant. We will review these and send out confirmation. In addition, we plan to have a tent city (tepees or yurts, or some such) for those who might like to camp out with or without their families. Interested?

Registration

A registration form will be forthcoming. Andrew & Robert will cover costs of cottages; out of pocket expenses (e.g, band, catering, excursion, etc.) will be added up & divided equally for attendees among those over 30.

LOOKING FORWARD

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