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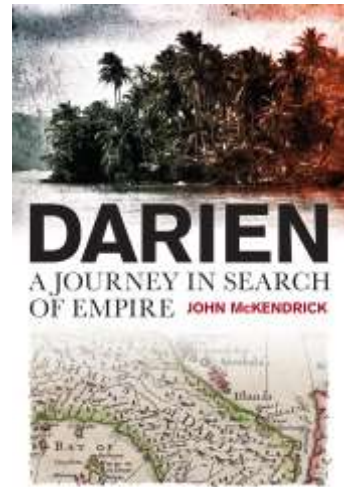
NEWSLETTER

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2017 GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN GUEST SPEAKER SPONSORED BY SCOTTISH HERITAGE

A British lawyer and the Attorney General of the British Overseas Territory of Anguilla, John McKendrick, has written an exciting novel about the unsuccessful 17th century Scottish venture to begin a colony in Panama: *Darien: A Journey In Search of Empire* which was published by **Birlinn** in February 2016.

John grew up in the village of Strathblane, Scotland and was schooled at Kelvinside Academy in Glasgow. He received his further education at the London School of Economics, the University of Leuven, and University of Oxford. He was called to the English Bar in 1999, the Scottish Bar in 2008, and the Bar of the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court in 2013. In 2016 Her Majesty the Queen appointed him Queen's Counsel, and later that year the Foreign and Commonwealth Office appointed him for a two-year term as the Honourable Attorney General of the beautiful Caribbean Island of Anguilla. He was the *London Times* Lawyer of the Week in September 2013, and nominated for *The Lawyer* magazine's Barrister of the Year award for 2016. John has also had experience in Scottish politics running as the Labour candidate for Caithness, Sutherland and Easter Ross in 2007 Scottish Parliament elections. In the 2010 General Election, he stood as the Labour candidate for Ross, Skye and Lochaber. As a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society, John travels a lot and during a visit to Panama City and meeting with members of the St Andrews Society, he was inspired to learn about the Darien venture undertaken by Scotland in the late 17th C. This led him to write: *Darien: A Journey in Search of Empire*. Though previous accounts have been written on the subject of Darien, John's historical account of Scotland's unsuccessful attempt to establish a colony on the isthmus of Panama, is combined with his fascinating travelogue to Darien in Panama as well as Darien, Georgia. The impact of the Darien venture had a far-reaching impact on Scottish, British and American history.



John is coming to the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games in July as a guest of Scottish Heritage USA and will be lecturing on the Darien venture at the games' Scottish Cultural Village, which is also generously supported by Scottish Heritage USA.

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Signed copies of his book will be available at the Scottish Heritage USA tent during the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games (July 7-9, 2017) and on Sunday evening (9 July) at the **Members Only Buffet** at the Eseeola Lodge pool house in Linville.

Please contact the Scottish Heritage Office in Pinehurst if you wish to attend the Buffet (910) 295-4448

Loch Norman, Grandfather Mt., Scotland County & Stone Mt.

We traveled them all this year and had a grand time at all. You will see in the pictures below how much effort is involved in setting up the tents at each game. Thanks to all the volunteers, the job is made much easier.



Loch Norman



And it finally ends up looking like this!



Setting up takes time and effort – above pictures show volunteer Shannon Helton helping Eileen setting up the Stone Mountain Games tent. It takes time, but the end product is worth it!

Last but not least, Scotland County Highland Games



Scotland County Games go high-tech with drones photographing events!

We had a great time at Scotland County this year. The weather cooperated with sunshine and warmth and we had a great time visiting all our friends. For all you members out there, make sure you stop by our tents if you happen to be at any of these games – we’re there every year and would love the opportunity to meet you.



Even though our SCHG tent is smaller than at the other games, we do a brisk business and have interesting items for sale.

SCOTTISH HERITAGE MERCHANDISE ON-LINE

Our website offers merchandise made from our Scottish Heritage Tartan, engraved glassware and rosettes. Visit www.scottishheritageusa.org to purchase these one of a kind goods.

Remember, you can also renew your membership on our secure website.



Our heartfelt sympathies to the families of:

Donald L. Boney, FSA Scot of Atlanta GA, who passed away January 2017 (*our next newsletter will contain more information on Don*)
 Joyce Morrison Krimminger of Charlotte, NC on 15 April 2016 and;
 Catharine Erskine of Kinross-shire, Scotland, *the wife of the former Director of the National Trust for Scotland*

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SCOTTISH KNOWLEDGE QUIZ

1. Where did the battle of Tears Chapel take place in 1464?
2. Name the 2 feuding families of the Tears Chapel Battle.
3. Where are the only two round towers in Scotland?
4. Who designed the Glasgow School of Art?
5. Somerled, a Scot-Viking Lord of the Isles, was the progenitor of which clan?
6. Scotland and England played the first Rugby International: in which year?
7. How did Kirkpatrick Macmillan miss out on a fortune in the 19th century?
8. The *Lusitania* was launched from which shipyard?
9. Which island is nicknamed the Misty Isle? (*Come on you Outlander fans*)
10. Which unpopular ruler was known as "Toom Tabard" (empty coat) by the Scots?

Bonus: Where is the College named after the answer to #10?

*1.Gimigoe Castle 2.Gunns & Keiths 3.Abernethy & Brechin
4.Lachlan Macquarte 5.Donald 6.1871 7.Failed to patent
the pedal bicycle 8.Clydebank 9.Skye 10.John Balliol*

BONUS: Oxford

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