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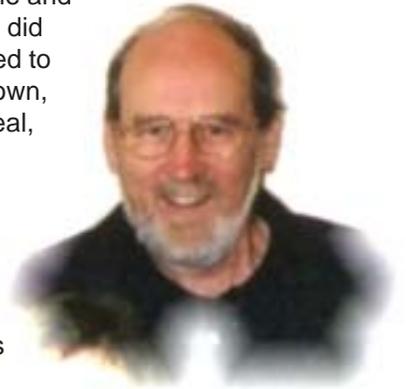
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Hello friends,

Another summer has come and gone and "The Games" are over for another year. We did quite a bit of travelling this year and managed to include Victoria, BC., Embro, ON., Georgetown, ON., Kincardine, ON., Maxville, ON., Montreal, ON. and of course Fergus, ON. The Annual General meeting and dinner saw us with an attendance of 48 people. Which is very encouraging. After dinner the company was entertained by "The Gaels" our own Scottish folk group and Crissy Ball dancing Highland Style to the music of the Gaels. As a nice addition to the evening we invited the Ross Clan who were also dining at the Holiday Inn to join us for the entertainment part of the evening. All in all a lovely evening.



For some time now we have been promising our membership that we would investigate the possibility of having some sort of genealogy tracking ability on the web and I am happy to say we have finally managed to acquire a software package that I feel really excited about. We will be launching it at the same time as we release this newsletter. We hope that this will prove to be a benefit to members and an additional reason to become a member of Clan Hunter. I will leave Lizz and "Connections Corner" to say more about that.

Tom

Connections Corner



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all  **We are Family, I've got my cousins with me!**

Each member will be able to transfer their data from their own computer as a GEDCOM file, or if they wish, input it directly, and can then update and change data to their own tree whenever desired. Other members can view your data but won't be able to edit anything.

This database has an incredible number of cool features, including posting photographs and maps, which will really make it a dynamic site. And of course, the more Hunters who upload their family trees, the more useful it will be for all of us. To look at the information already loaded and browse around this fantastic database, you will receive a general clan login which will allow

I have wonderful news, and this time it doesn't involve the genealogy fairy. Clan Hunter Canada is launching a new family tree database which all members of Clan Hunter, worldwide (and only members), will be able to access.



you “read-only” access. When you want to upload information, you’ll need to request a personal login from the general menu which will give you access to add/edit only your own tree. My dad has had his family tree online for quite a while now, and a few years back he was contacted by a lady named Eleanor. It turns out that Eleanor’s great grandfather was the same as my dad’s great grandfather so Eleanor and my dad are second cousins. We all met and she really is a part of the family now. How amazing! Genealogy can be fascinating when you’ve spent days, weeks or even years looking for a particular piece of missing data, but it is so much more exciting when you discover living relatives you didn’t know about.

That is my wish with this new technology: that by collecting as many Hunter family trees as we can, that we will find some family connections that were previously unknown.

Here are just a few of the many features of this wonderful software.

The Next Generation Genealogy Software. (TNG)

User Registration

Allow visitors to register for their own login/tree.

Advanced pedigree charts

TNG’s pedigree charts can display an indefinite number of generations (you decide the maximum you’ll allow) in several different formats for every person in your database.

Relationship chart

Start with any individual, then pick any other person in your tree and TNG will display a graphical chart of their relationship

Timeline

Display a bar chart comparing the lifespans of an unlimited number of individuals from your database.

Descendancy chart

In a glance see an indefinite number of descendant generations for every person in your file (again, you decide the maximum), with links to each person’s individual page

Graphical descendancy tracing

An icon next to each descendant on the Standard descendancy chart links quickly to a boxes-and-connecting-lines display of parents, children and siblings, from the primary individual down to the person selected.

Printer-friendly pages

A link on each page now shows you the same page in a new window, without any headers, sidebars or page backgrounds, making it easier to create printouts of what you see without having it cluttered or pushed off the page.

PDF Reports available

Pedigree, descendancy and individual pages can be exported in PDF format.

Simple and advanced searching

Search just on first name/last name, or try the Advanced Search to limit or expand the number of matches found.

Surnames lookup

Track down individuals by surname, but not from an endless unreadable paragraph. Instead, view names in neat columns, and limit your search only to those beginning with a certain letter or symbol.

Multiple family trees

Visitors can search across all trees, but maintenance can be done on a personal Tree without affecting any others.

Media

Upload and link several photos, documents, histories, videos or audio recordings to individuals, families and sources.

Albums

You can also group your media into albums, which can then be linked to individuals or families as a whole.

Most Wanted

Dynamically manage a list of the people and photos you’re most interested in.

Cemeteries & Headstones

Set up a record for each cemetery represented in your data (maps too, then create headstone records with

photos(photo optional for those not yet located) to attach to individuals and the corresponding cemeteries.

Dates & Anniversaries

This new feature allows you to quickly find all individuals associated with any date in history, Or, search for just a month, just a year, or even day (e.g., “Show me everyone born on the 7th of any month).

Places

View a hierarchy of all places listed in your database

Living data protected

Visitors to your site will be unable to see data for living individuals.

GEDCOM import

Get your data into TNG in just minutes by having your desktop program write your data to a standard 4.0 or 5.5 GEDCOM file. TNG will then import your file and populate the database with all your information, saving you quite a bit of typing.

GEDCOM export

Allow visitors to your site to create their own GEDCOM from a subset of your data. If you’d rather not, it’s just as easy to disable this feature.

Manual data entry

No GEDCOM? Plan on using TNG as your primary genealogy program? In that case, you may still enter all your data by hand through the user-friendly Admin screens

What’s New page

The What’s New page shows the most recently added and updated components of your site, including photos, histories, headstones, and individual and family records.

Report Generator

Create your own set of custom lists, like Ancestors with Today’s Birthday, or, Relatives Born in England.



Left: Marcella, "Skip", Cindy and Mell Hunter all "family" from the US meet up with the "gang" at the Fergus Highland Games

Below Left: A new setup at Montreal Highland Games

Below Right: Clan Member, Crissy Ball, completes another goal as she dances for the first time at Fergus Highland Games.



Below: The marvelously precise Mass Pipebands parading at Montreal Highland Games. Just look at that formation



Right: Christine checking up on some facts in a nice shady spot at Kincardine.



Left: Not all visitors are "Hunters" some just need us to help them find their clan or tartan. Some visitors at Glengarry Highland Games in Maxville check out our library



Right: How to make a guitar as demonstrated at the Glengarry Highland Games in Maxville



Left: "Hey! I think we have enough for a parade." Sharron Jackson, Tom Hunter, Paul Hunter, Adair Hunter, Lynn Ball and Mattryk Hunter all set with banner and flag for the parade at Embro Highland Games.

Hunter Clan Association of Canada

Minutes of the Meeting held August 14th 2010 at Holiday Inn, Guelph.

- There were 23 members and 5 children present at the AGM. Tom Hunter opened by welcoming everyone, then he informed us of the deaths of Joanna Hunter ex wife of Charles Hunter of Hunterston, and of Doris Hunter of Cambridge. It turns out Doris was a cousin of Bob Hunter of Port Rowan. Some memories and discussion followed these announcements.
- It was moved by Christine Hunter, seconded by Nadene Hunter that the minutes of the previous meeting be accepted as printed. This motion passed.
- Old Business: The committee that was formed last year at the AGM was discussed. This committee never really got going. But it was suggested that the committee is still valid and should continue (or commence). We need to contact Pauline.
- Don Hunter read the financial report, and then moved that it be accepted. This motion was seconded by Mida Lecocq – and was passed.
- Christine Hunter read the membership report and told us that we had 9 new members this year, and one renewed member. Christine then told us a little bit about each member – and passed on the fact that of the nine, four came to us through the influence of family members, four came to us from the web-site and one came to us after reading our advert in the Scottish Banner. She also reported that we have 88 paying members – and that approx half have paid this year's dues so far.
- Elizabeth Thibodeau talked a bit about genealogy and how we can help each other. She told of her contact with a member in Quebec that she was helping and how another member in Victoria, BC ended up giving him some help. She also got some help from the UK on this case. There's a real "family" feeling in this! Lizz moved the acceptance of this report. Bob Hunter seconded – passed.
- Tom then gave a report on our trip to Vancouver and to the Games in Victoria in particular. He spoke about how wonderful it is to be able to travel to all these Games and to be able to meet – and even have dinner with – some members of the Association. He spoke about the Games in Victoria and how these were not huge Games, but quite well attended with some really fun stuff available for the children. Our dinner on the Saturday had 11 members and friends present. One unexpected highlight of the Games was that we won the "best tent" award! Tom also passed on best wishes from Lianne and John to all those at the Fergus Games.
- Tom then also gave a report on the newsletter and the website – both of which he looks after. There is always the same problem with the newsletter – getting enough information to fill it each month, but Tom confessed that the July newsletter was a total pleasure to work with. He got lots of information especially about what our children and grandchildren are doing. Wonderful articles. Tom reported that we have now got more newsletters going out by e-mail than regular mail – 53 to 46. This certainly helps with costs. Tom also encouraged feedback – even constructive criticism is welcomed. Tom reported that the website gets updated every once in a while – and right now he has added a new feature with "famous Hunters". He also pointed out that we are getting quite a few new members from this website.
- New Business: The next Gathering at Hunterston is planned for July 20 – 22, 2012. There was some discussion about who would be interested in attending this event, what would be happening at it, and the possibility of running some kind of bus tour to end at Hunterston for that weekend. Beryl Hunter asked if we could approach Pauling about the possibility of having a day out somewhere – maybe on the Monday – some kind of tour. Someone mentioned that they had seen Hunter Bus Lines when they were in Edinburgh last year – so they do tours?
- It was noted that it is 5 years since Pauline visited Canada. It is time to invite her back! Tom Hunter of Hagersville told us that in 2014 his branch of the Hunters would be celebrating 174 years in this area,

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so it would be a good time to invite Pauline. It was pointed out that 2014 is the year of the next big international Clan Gathering in Scotland – so Pauline would be involved in that. Most of the rest of the members thought that we should talk to Pauline and ask her is next year, 2011, or three years from now 2013 would be a good time for a visit. Mel Hunter moved that Tom should call her and pass on the invitation. This was seconded by Tom Hunter, Hagersville, and was passed.

- Don Hunter talked about the Scottish Studies and told us that they have a tall ship cruise out of Toronto on Labour Day weekend. The afternoon sailing is fully booked, but there are still some tickets available for the 11am cruise.

- Beryl Hunter complained about the parking at Fergus. She was going to e-mail (and asked for others to do the same) suggestions to Tom Hunter and ask that he pass them on to Andrew Campbell.

- Tom Hunter mentioned the 'Kirkin' of the Tartan' church service that would take place at St Andrew's Presbyterian Church on Sunday morning. Always a packed house, always a good service. All were invited to attend.

- Meeting adjourned at 6.10pm and was followed by a wonderful buffet dinner attended by 48 clan members.

Membership Report October 2010

Welcome to our latest New Members

We are pleased to welcome each of these new members who have joined the Association since our last newsletter was sent out.

Irma Tapp joined us in July. Irma's cousin Gale Chase is a long time member of our Association and has introduced us to two aunts and now a cousin who have all become members in their own right. Way to go Gail, and thanks for being such a good "agent" for the Hunter Clan Association! Irma lives in Tracy, NB.

Josiah Wallace Hunter Jr (Skip) and his wife **Marcella** joined the Association at the Fergus Games in August. Josiah lives in Norfolk, Virginia, is in the US Navy, and is a grandson of Dr Nadene Hunter. I think Dr Nadene's family could maybe take the trophy (if we had

one) for the most family members in the Association. Mind you it would be close, because we really are a family Association – in every sense of the word.

Dinsdale Heather Raddatz also made the decision to join the Association at the Fergus Games. Dinsdale's ancestry reaches back to Scotland through a great-grandmother who emigrated from Torryburn in the 1920's. Dinsdale has many workskills and hobbies including being a harpist! **Note to myself** – possible sharing of this talent at the next Clan dinner at Fergus 2011? Dinsdale currently lives in Cobden, Ontario. And last but certainly not least is **Edythe Elaine Hunter-Esch**, who joined us most recently – in September. Edythe finally managed to catch up with us after a long, involved, very frustrating search that seemed to lead her to a lot of closed doors and dead ends. But her Scottish ancestry (stubbornness to some people) made her cling to her wish to belong to our Association - and she eventually got in touch with

our chief, Pauline, who was happy to pass her name and request along to Tom and I for our attention. Edythe lives in Edmonton and we would like to welcome her to the Clan Hunter Association of Canada.

To the general membership - I don't know what each of you expects "to get" from your Clan Hunter Membership – but Tom and I would love to hear if any of you meet for dinner, meet at the Highland Games in your area, or anything else that is going on outside of our planned events. Why not have a look at the enclosed list of active members – see who lives in your area – and give them a call and arrange to meet for a coffee at the local Tim Horton's, Dunkin' Donuts or whatever coffee shop serves your area. Send us a photograph and tell us what you are doing!

Christine Hunter
Membership Secretary



Left: "I don't care if you are Clan Officer, you are still just Papa to me. Could you drink up please and let's get going." Tom, Don and Isla share a moment at the Fergus Highland Games.



Right: What do you do when it turns a bit cold....? Well you snuggle in to mummy of course. Both Isla (front) and Torry (back) need a little extra hugging to ward of the chill at the Embro Highland Games. Mum, (Lizz Thibodeau), and Nana, (Christine Hunter) are only too happy to oblige.



Right: The Gaels, our own Scottish Folk group, perform after dinner at the AGM in Guelph.



Left: Falcon demonstration at Fergus Highland Games.

Right: Crissy dances with "The Gaels" as after dinner entertainment at the AGM in Guelph.



Right: Sisters and Cousins, Torry, Isla and Shona share a popcorn break at the Embro Highland Games.

