

CLAN DONNACHAIDH SOCIETY

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA BRANCH

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



PLANT BADGE
Bracken (Fern)

MOTTO
Virtutis Gloria Merces
(Glory is the Reward of Valor)

WAR CRY
Garg'n Uair Dhuisgear
(Fierce When Raised)

PIPE MUSIC
Teachd Chlann Donnachaidh
(The Clan Donnachaidh have arrived)

CREST BADGE
A Dexter hand holding an
Imperial Crown, all proper

FAMILY AND/OR SEPT NAMES OF CLAN DONNACHAIDH

Collier
Colyear
Connachie
Connochie
Conochie
Cunnison
Dobbie
Dobbin
Dobie
Dobieson
Dobinson
Dobson
Donachie
Donaghy
Donnachie

Duncan
Duncanson
Dunnachie
Hobson
Inches
Kynoch
MacConachie
MacConchie
MacConechy
MacConich
MacConnachie
MacConnochie
MacCullich
MacDonachie
MacGlashan

MacInroy
MacInver
MacIver
MacIvor
MacJames
MacLagan
MacLaggan
MacOnachie
MacOnich
MacRob
MacRobb
MacRobbie
MacRobert
MacRoberts
MacRobie

MacWilliam
Reed
Reid
Robb
Robbie
Roberts
Robertson
Robison
Robson
Roy
Stark
Tonnoch
Tonnochy

...and spelling variations of many of the above names

WE ARE CLAN DONNACHAIDH!

CLAN DONNACHAIDH, WHICH MEANS "the children of Duncan," emerged from the union of the Scottish and Pictish kingdoms. The name comes from the Gaelic word "clann" meaning child and "Donnachaidh" (*donna-key*) the Gaelic spelling of Duncan.

Our ancestors were known to the Romans as the Kaledonios, or Caledonia, one of eleven tribes in the northern Pictish nation. They inhabited the area now known as Atholl in Perthshire. They were the only race in Europe that was never subdued by Imperial Rome.

The Clan descends from King Malcolm II, who reigned from 1005 to 1034. He was the last king in the direct male line to descend from Kenneth MacAlpine, who united the Scots and the Picts in 843 A.D. and is considered to be the

founder of Scotland. After Malcolm's murder, his grandson, became King Duncan II, who in turn was murdered by MacBeth (*of Shakespearean fame*). Duncan's son, Malcolm, went on to kill MacBeth and became King Malcolm III Ceann Mor (*Canmore*.) During his 37 year reign, the first events now known as Highland Games were held to choose the best available men to serve as his soldiers.

The first Chief: Donnachaidh Reamhair

The first Chief of the Clan was Duncan or Donnachaidh Reamhair, or Duncan the Stout (*stout in battle rather than in belly*), a famous fighter and strong supporter of Robert the Bruce. He commanded a force of 2,000 at the Battle of Bannockburn, June 24, 1314, alongside the Bruce, against the army of Edward II.

Origin of the Name Robertson

The name Robertson was adopted to honor the 4th Chief, Robert Riach (*the Grizzled*)

Duncanson, who captured the murderers of King James I in 1437. As a result, the Clan Crest (*see other side*) portrays a hand supporting an Imperial Crown. With the exception of Royalty, no one else in Europe is permitted to display an Imperial Crown as a crest.

The Clan Donnachaidh Society is formed

The Society was formed in January, 1893 in Scotland to maintain and renew the family bond among a clan now scattered across the globe.

The Southern California Branch

Our branch of the Clan was formed by Finis W. Duncan along with a core group of three Duncans and two Robertsons in 1973. We are an organization dedicated to bringing together the descendants of our noble and ancient family and preserving our Scottish heritage and culture. We host a variety of social activities: our Dinner Dance, Clan Picnic and Christmas Party, to name a few. *Come join us, we are your family.* •

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Name: _____ Family Name: _____
Last First Middle See other side for list of recognized names

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Place of Birth: _____

Spouse: _____ Children: _____
Please give age(s) if 18 or under

Occupation: _____

Education: _____ Military Service: _____

Family Genealogy: _____

Special Talents: _____
Piper, Drummer, Dancer (Highland or Country,) Musician, Athlete, etc.

Brief Resumé: _____
Items of interest to help us know you better

PLEASE ENROLL OUR FAMILY AS FOLLOWS:

Descendant Applicant: _____

Spouse: _____ Children: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Annual Membership: \$50.00
Includes Initiation Historical Packet and a one year subscription to the Clan Newsletter, *Faigh Corrie*, (a \$10.00 value). Spouses and children under eighteen are included in the descendent membership dues.

This area for Membership Committee only:

Membership # _____ Parent Clan # _____

Total Received: \$ _____ New Member Packet Sent



Membership in the Clan Donnachaidh Society, Southern California Branch, is open to:

All those, male or female, bearing the names of Duncan, Robertson, or any of the recognized names listed on the back either through parents, grandparents, etc. or marriage. Variations in the spellings of the names are accepted, as are others who claim to be of the Clan. Ladies bearing the name, either by parentage or marriage, and all lineal descendents in the female line, whether male or female, and husbands of lady members may become members also.

To apply for membership: Please mail your completed membership application (*above*) along with a check payable to:

**CLAN DONNACHAIDH SOCIETY—
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For more information: Please feel free to visit our website at: **www.donnachaidh.org** or call Membership Chairman **Maria Druse** at **323/839-5555**.