



Clan Forbes Society Newsletter March 2019



Pitsligo Castle

Pitsligo Castle was initially built in the 14th century and expanded a century later, as noted by panels dating 1577 over the courtyard doorway. The home of the Forbes of Pitsligo for over three centuries, Pitsligo Castle was destroyed in the aftermath of the Jacobite defeat at Culloden since the family supported the return of the Stewarts to the throne of Great Britain. Soon after, Alexander 4th Lord Forbes of Pitsligo was outlawed and lost his title and estate. [Learn more here.](#)



The Lord Forbes Who Wasn't

When John, the second son of Protestant John, 8th Lord Forbes, escaped his arranged marriage to become a Catholic monk in Ghent, he ignited a succession controversy that lasted three and half centuries. The Forbes Family held that third son Arthur succeeded his father as the 9th Lord Forbes. However, in 1907, the Lord Lyon listed John as the 9th Lord Forbes in the Scots Peerage – and re-numbering all the Lords Forbes for the past three centuries! [Learn what happened next.](#)



Mary Queen of Scots Tapestry

Hanging in the stair entryway of Castle Forbes is a large tapestry embroidered by Mary, Queen of Scots, during her house arrest at Bolton Castle around 1568. The tapestry was part of a bed curtain that was given to a previous Lord Forbes in appreciation for his loyalty to the Queen. Occasionally the tapestry goes on display at museums around the world because of its historical significance. [See more photos of Castle Forbes.](#)



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Tracing Your DNA Story

DNA testing can confirm your heritage, identify ancestors you never knew existed, and connect you with distant relatives who can help you break through any brick wall you may have encountered with your genealogy research! This article presents the whys and wherefores of DNA testing, offers sample reports, and provides you with options for getting started. [Learn more here.](#)



Welcome to New & Renewing Members!

Active Members

- Carolyn R. Forbes, Mississippi, USA
- Donald E. Clark, Arizona, USA
- Donald Henry Forbes, Massachusetts, USA
- Dorian Forbes, Arizona, USA
- Leslie A. Ingram, New Hampshire, USA
- Lori Lynn Caldwell, Ohio, USA
- Pamela Steele, Ohio, USA
- Sherry Jo Fobes, New Jersey, USA
- Valerie Walters Edwards, California, USA

House of Forbes Members

- Lori Lynn Caldwell, Ohio USA

Calendar of Events

Please let us know of upcoming events or if you are a Clan Forbes Tent Convener. E-mail: News@Clan-Forbes.org. Thanks!

March 8 to 10, 2019

[Sonora Celtic Faire](#), California. Clan Forbes Convener: None

Mar 9, 2019

[Panama City Scottish Festival & Highland Games](#), Florida. Clan Forbes Convener: None

Mar 10 & 11, 2019

[Midland Scottish-Irish Faire & Highland Games](#), Texas. Clan Forbes Convener: None

Mar 17, 2019

[Southeast Alabama Highland Games & Scottish Festival](#), Alabama. Clan Forbes Convener: None

April 12 to 14, 2019

[Loch Norman Highland Games](#), North Carolina. Clan Forbes Convener: None

Apr 27, 2019

[Southern Maryland Celtic Festival & Highland Gathering](#), Maryland. Clan Forbes Convener: [Bart Forbes](#)

April 27 & 28, 2019

[Woodland Celtic Games & Festival](#), California. Clan Forbes Convener: [Valerie Edwards](#)

May 4 to 5, 2019

[Rio Grande Valley Celtic Festival](#), New Mexico. Clan Forbes Convener: None

May 4, 2019

[Savannah \(Georgia\) Scottish Games](#), Georgia. Clan Forbes Convener: None

May 10 to 12, 2019

[Texas Scottish Festival & Highland Games](#), Texas. Clan Forbes Convener: [Rick Forbes](#)

May 18, 2019

[Fair Hill \(Delaware\) Scottish Games](#), Delaware. Clan Forbes Convener: None

May 18 to 19, 2019

[Smoky Mountain Highland Games](#), Tennessee. Clan Forbes Convener: None



CLAN FORBES CONVENERS GUIDE

Basic Instructions for Hosting Tents and Tables
at Highland Games, Festivals and Other Events



Want to be a Clan Convener at your local Scottish Festival and Highland Games? Download the [Clan Forbes Convener's Guide](#) and we'll help you out!