

BALVAIRD

OF GLENTARKIE

WALTER BALVAIRD IN GLENTARKIE, is the first for whom there is evidence and was settled at Glentarkie, near Abernethy, by the first years of the 16th century. He *m.* Margaret Baxter and *d.* prior to 8 February 1503, when his widow was pursued by John Ramsay in Pitgormo for the withholding of the tiends of Glentarkie,¹ and was father of :

THOMAS BALVAIRD IN GLENTARKIE, was tenant of the Crown lands of Cache and was witness to a charter by David Scott of Pitlour for the land of Wester Pitlour in favour of Alexander Kincairgy, brother of Sir John Kincairgy, Deacon of Aberdeen, on 29 July, 1508. He was father of :

1. John Balvaird of Glentarkie, (*see below*).
2. Alan Balvaird, witness with his brother, John, to a charter by Thomas Blair of Balthayock to Henry White, Dean of Brechin, for the lands of Kirkton of Quhilts on 19 August, 1539, and was appointed Rector of Saint Madoes.
3. Elizabeth Balvaird, *m.* Thomas Ballingall of Riggis, and had issue.
4. Margaret Balvaird, *m.* George Oliphant, 1st of Banclero, (he *m.* secondly, by 1535, to Helen Forsyth), and had issue.

JOHN BALVAIRD OF GLENTARKIE, *m.* Margaret Kincairgy and had a charter for the lands of Glentarkie and Bello from William, Bishop of Dunblane, to be held by himself and his wife, in liferent, and their eldest son Walter, in fee, on 2 June, 1552.² He was father of :

1. Walter Balvaird of Glentarkie, (*see below*).
2. David Balvaird, had been admitted Parson of St. Madoes by 7 April 1549, when he was party to the marriage contract of his brother Peter Balvaird. He was witness to the contract of marriage

¹ Acta Dom. Con. Vol. III. P. 23

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between Christian, daughter of John Schaw of Lethangie, and Laurence Oliphant of Williamston, dated 6 April 1577,¹ and was father of :

2a) John Balvaird, a natural son concerning whom a precept for his legitimization passed the Privy Seal on 18 March 1576-77.²

3. Peter Balvaird of Brodall, *m.* Beatrice Wemyss and upon whom her mother Elizabeth Henderson, settled her rights to the lands of Brodall and Hawton in contemplation of their marriage on 7 April, 1549.³ He was father of,

3a) David Balvaird, *m.* Elizabeth, daughter of Alexander Dunning of Crieffvechter, (*c/m* 19 August 1575⁴). He appears to have been father of :

3b) John Balvaird of Brodell, had a charter from Robert Gourlay, prebender of Pitenbrog, for the lands of Pittenbrog, dated 30 September 1628,⁵ which he afterwards disposed to Walter Balvaird of Glentarkie in 1631. He was father of,

3c) David Balvaird of Brodall, succeeded his father and *d.* in February of 1674.⁶ He was father of,

3d) Thomas Balvaird, acted as executor to his father on his death in 1674.

4. Elspeth Balvaird, *m.* John Bonar of Lumquhat, from whom she received a Tack of his lands of Lumquhat Mill on 28 May, 1545, in which she is styled as his future wife.⁷ They had issue.

5. Margaret Balvaird, *m.* William Oliphant, portioner of Banclero, and had issue.

WALTER BALVAIRD OF GLENTARKIE, infeft in the fee of the lands of Bello and Glentarkie on 2 June, 1552,⁸ with his parents in the liferent. He *m.* by 20 January 1561-62, to Margaret Airth, (she *d.* in March of 1575⁹), when they had a charter for the lands of Pittenbrog from George Arnot, prebender of Pittenbrog,¹⁰ and was father of :

1. Allan Balvaird of Glentarkie, (*see below*).

¹ B59/8/13/193r

² RPS Vol. VII. No. 964.

³ SRS Protocol Book of Alexander Gaw.

⁴ B59. Protocol Book of Malcolm Bower.

⁵ GD62/50

⁶ CC6/5/17/175

⁷ SRS. Protocol Book of Sir Alexander Gaw

⁸ GD62/

⁹ CC8/8/9/345

¹⁰ GD62/7

2. Andrew Balvaired of Glentarkie, (*see below*).

ALLAN BALVAIRD OF GLENTARKIE, succeeded his father and had a charter of confirmation and Novodamus for the lands of Pittenbrog on 19 June, 1594.¹ He had Sasine for the lands of Glentarkie and Bello on 31 July 1594,² *d.* prior to November of 1604 and was father of :

1. James Balvaired of Glentarkie, (*see below*).

2. David Balvaired, styled as “Mr David Balvaired” brother of James Balvaired of Glentarkie when witness to a charter by David Forret of that ilk, dated 8 June, 1607.³ He was admitted Minister of Falkland.

JAMES BALVAIRD OF GLENTARKIE, was infeft in the lands of Pittenbrog on 15 August 1594, is then styled as son and heir of Alan Balvaired of Glentarkie, and was infeft in the lands of Glentarkie and Bello as his deceased father’s heir on 10 November 1604.⁴ He *m.* first, Isobella, daughter of Patrick Schaw in Tillicoultry, (*c/m* 4 July 1594⁵), and secondly, to Jean Bonar, with whom he disposed the lands of Glentarkie to Andrew Balvaired, Burgess of Abernethy, on 10 August 1610.⁶ He *d.* prior to November of 1646 and was father of :

1. John Balvaired, styled as son of the deceased James Balvaired, sometime of Glentarkie, when charged by Sir Michael Balfour of Denmiln to enter as heir, with others, of the deceased Captain Walter Balvaired, in 1647. He had issue, (*see Balvaired of Ballowmiln*).

ANDREW BALVAIRD OF GLENTARKIE, styled as son of Walter Balvaired of Glentarkie in 1581 and became a burges of Abernethy. He obtained the lands of Glentarkie from his

¹ GD62/18

² Ex. Rolls. Vol. XXII. P. 562.

³ RMS 1609-1620. No. 490.

⁴ GD62/23

⁵ GD62/1

⁶ GD62/35

cousin James Balvaird of Glentarkie by Charter and Disposition dated 10 August 1610,¹
d. prior to 1631 and was father of :

1. **WALTER BALVAIRD OF GLENTARKIE**, was infeft in the lands of Glentarkie as heir to his father on 27 October, 1631. He *m.* Christine, daughter of Laurence Oliphant, 1st of Condie, (*c/m* 10 September 1628²), and *dsp* prior to 9 April 1646, when he is styled as deceased in a disposition by Christian Oliphant, his relict, granting her liferent from the lands of Glentarkie to Sir Michael Balfour of Denmiln for a payment of 2500 merks.³

2. Elizabeth Balvaird , *m.* William Ballingall, younger in Abernethy, and *d.* on 22 February 1617.⁴
They had issue,

2a) Elizabeth Ballingall, is styled as the only child of her deceased parents in her mother's Testament in 1617, and was placed under the care of her paternal grandfather, William Ballingall, Clerk of Abernethy. She *m.* William Williamson in Abernethy and had issue :

2b) William Williamson, acted as procurator for his sisters and the other heirs of Walter Balvaird of Glentarkie, in 1647.⁵

2b) Janet Williamson,

2b) Egedia Williamson,

2b) Margaret Williamson,

3. Jean Balvaird, *m.* James Gilmour, portioner of Auchtermuchty, and *d.* prior to 1647. They had issue :

3a) Elizabeth Gilmor. She and her sisters, Jean and Janet, were named as joint heirs of Walter Balvaird of Glentarkie, in 1647.

3a) Jean Gilmour,

3a) Janet Gilmour,

4. Agnes Balvaird,

5. Janet Balvaird, *m.* by 1647 to Matthew Lyel, in Carpow.

6. Catherine Balvaird. She and her sisters Janet and Agnes were retoured heirs to their father in the lands of Glentarkie on 25 August, 1647, which they afterwards disposed to Sir Michael Balfour of Denmiln. She *m.* by 1647 to John Faichney in Cotachill.

¹ GD62/35

² GD62/62

³ GD62/87

⁴ CC6/5/4/275

⁵ RMS 1634-1651. No. 1801.

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