

FARQUHARSON

OF INVERCAULD

SHAW OF ROTHMURCHUS, descended from the Earls of Fife, is said to have been father of :

FARQUHAR, the founder and eponymous of the Clan of whom tradition states was the first to settle in the Earldom of Mar at about the time of its annexation to the Crown in 1435, and to have held the office of Chamberlain. He is said to have *m.* Margaret, daughter of Patrick of Lude, and to have been father of :

DONALD, named in Clan tradition and is said to have *m.* a daughter of Robertson of Calvine. He was father of :

FARQUHAR, of whom there is no proof other than he is named in early Clan tradition. He is said to have been father of :

DONALD, concerning whom Clan tradition states *m.* to Isabel, only child of Stewart of Invercauld, and in whose right their issue acquired these lands. He was father of :

FINLAY, was said to be of a great stature and as a consequence was commonly called Fionlaidh mor. All of the clan's traditions state that he carried the Royal Standard at the battle of Pinkie in September of 1547, and that he was *k.* by a canon ball during the conflict. He was afterwards buried at Inveresk and had been in his 60th year. He is said to have *m.* first, to a daughter of Stewart of Kincardine, by whom he was father of :

1. William Farquharson, the eldest son who succeeded on his fathers death and *m.* Beatrix, daughter of the Earl of Sutherland. He *dsp.*

He *m.* secondly, to Beatrix Garden, (she *m.* secondly, by 24 April 1564, to John Tarlochson of Monzie, ancestor of Robertson Lude¹), and was father of :

2. Robert Farquharson of Invercauld, (*see below*).

3. Donald Farquharson of Tullygarmont and Castleton, was a figure of some note and is regularly to be found in documents of his time. He was appointed forester of the King's forests, woods and moors, in the bounds of Braemar, Cromar and Strathdee for the space of one year on 12 July 1584,² and was father of several sons from whom various designated stirpes of the Clan descend :

3a) Donald Farquharson, of Tullygarmont, who entered into a contract of wadset with John, Earl of Atholl, for the lands of Stronfinne and Invereye, with the grazings, on 8 July 1613.³

3a) Alexander Farquharson, *m.* Barbara Rattray and with whom he entered into a contract of wadset with John, Earl of Atholl, for the lands of Easter Ellenquoich, in the parish of Kindrochit, on 13 November 1611, in which he is styled as son of Donald Farquharson, elder of Tullygarmont.⁴

3a) James Farquharson, who entered into a contract with John, Earl of Atholl, for the lands of Auchalletter, on the parish of Kindrochit, on 13 November 1611.⁵

3a) William Farquharson, *m.* Beatrix, daughter of Farquhar Farquharson in Camusnakist, with whom he entered into a contract of wadset with John, Earl of Atholl, for the lands of Camuskist, on 13 November 1611, and in which he is styled as natural son of Donald Farquarson, elder of Tullygarmont.⁶

4. Lauchlan Farquharson of Broughderg, (*see Farquharson of Broughderg*).

5. George Farquharson of Deskry,

6. Finlay Farquharson of Auchriachan,

¹ GD132/19 Prior to this date, the genealogy of the Clan is subject to the content of 18th century manuscript accounts which, in the main, stand up to scrutiny against extant documentation and as these are traditions of a little over two or more centuries in age at that time, they will have been founded upon at least a degree of fact which had been passed down orally to proceeding generations until the time of recording.

² RPS Vol. VIII. No. 2208.

³ GD124/1/296

⁴ GD124/1/290

⁵ GD124/1/292

⁶ GD124/1/291

7. A daughter, who *m.* John Ross of Auchlossin and had issue.

ROBERT FARQUHARSON OF INVERCAULD, *m.* Marjory, daughter of John Robertson, 6th of Straloch, and *d.* by November of 1611. He was father of :

JOHN FARQUHARSON OF INVERCAULD, was a co-signatory to a Bond of Manrent entered into between Lachlan MackIntosh of Dunnachtou on the one part, and Donald Farquharson of Tullygarmond, and George, Lachlan and Finlay, his brothers, on the other dated at Invercauld on 31 March 1595,¹ and entered into a contract with John Erskine, Earl of Mar, for the wadset of the lands of Invercauld, in the parish of Kindrochit, on 13 November 1611.² He gained further security over these lands when he had a charter from John Erskine, Earl of Mar, for the davoch of lands called Invercauld dated 27 August 1632, with infeftment following on 6th October. He *m.* Margaret, daughter of Walter Barclay of Gartley, *d.* by 18 March 1634, and was father of :

1. Robert Farquharson of Invercauld, (*see below*).
2. Finlay Farquharson, of Ravernie, *m.* Katherine, sister to Thomas Ogilvy Inschewan,³ with whom he was granted an annualrent by James, Master of Ogilvy, for 15 bolls of victual from the lands of Garlat on 9 February 1601,⁴ and which they afterwards renounced in favour of a wadset of the lands of Glencalzie dated 22 March 1609. He was father of :

2a) Robert Farquharson of Ravernie, succeeded his father and *m.* Janet Ramsay. He *d.* prior to 29 May 1660, and was father of :

2b) John Farquharson of Ravernie, succeeded his father and with his mother, Janet Ramsay, he entered into a contract of wadset with James, Lord Ogilvie, for the lands of Ravernie, on 20 May 1660.⁵ He was cognised next of kin on the father's side to William, John, Alexander Margaret, children of Alexander Farquharson of Invercauld on 21 December 1681, with the relationship being then narrated as his being son of Robert Farquharson of Rivernie, eldest son of Finlay Farquharson of Rivernie, who was brother of Robert Farquharson of Invercauld, father of

¹ GD176/168

² GD124/1/293

³ NRAS163/12. Discharge by Finlay to Thomas Ogilvy of Inschewan, his brother-in-law.

⁴ GD16/3/193

⁵ GD16/3/193

Alexander Farquharson of Invercauld, father to the children in question. He *m.* Annabell Spalding with whom and their eldest son, Andrew, they entered into a contract with David, Lord Ogilvie, relating to their possession of the lands of Ravernie on 8 July 1703.¹ He was father of,

2c) Andrew Farquharson, who was set in the tack of the lands of Ravernie for 19 years on 4 April 1702,² and is named with his parents in a contract relating to the lands of Ravernie dated 8 July 1703. He *m.* Margaret Farquharson, (she survived him and *m.* secondly, by 10 April 1721, to John Schaw in Ravernie), *d. vita patris* and was father of,

2d) Alexander Farquharson, succeeded to the lands of Ravernie in which he was set in tack by the superior John, Earl of Airlie, on 4 July 1738,³ and which he renounced on 19 January 1756.

2c) John Farquharson, had a seven year tack for the lands at Clintlay on 25 February 1710,⁴ and served as tutor to his nephew Alexander Farquharson, only son and heir of his brother Andrew.

3. Marjory Farquharson, *m.* MackIntosh of Keilachy.

4. Jean Farquharson, *m.* William Farquharson of Kellis.

5. Isabel Farquharson, *m.* William Farquharson, 2nd of Inverey

6. Grizel Farquharson, *m.* by 1 December 1624, to John Stewart of Foss, when they granted Letters of Reversion to Robert Calmanach for the 2 merk lands of Tresset,⁵ (he was widow of Jean, daughter of James Stewart, 1st of Ladywell).

ROBERT FARQUHARSON OF INVERCAULD, succeeded his father by 18 March 1634, when he was a member of the inquest at the retour of William MackIntosh of Torcastle as heir to his father, Sir Lachlan MackIntosh of Torcastle, in the lands of Culloden, and others.⁶ He *m.* Margaret, daughter of Thomas Erskine of Pittrodie, and was father of :

¹ GD16/3/193

² GD16/28/234

³ GD16/3/193

⁴ GD16/28/281

⁵ Blair Castle Archives Box 10. Parcel. III. No. 17

⁶ GD176/335

1. **ROBERT FARQUHARSON OF INVERCAULD**, *m.* Anne, daughter of Alexander Ogilvy of Kempcairn, (she *m.* secondly, to Roderick MacKenzie of Dalmore), and *d.* in August of 1666. He was father of,
 - 1a) Margaret Farquharson, *m.* David Forbes of Leslie.
2. Alexander Farquharson of Wardhouse and Invercauld, (*see below*).
3. Margaret Farquharson, *m.* Angus MacPherson of Invereshie, who granted her a liferent of his lands of Invereshie on 27 October 1632.
4. Barbara Farquharson, *m.* Robert Ross of Auchlossan.
5. Grizel Farquharson, *m.* Alexander Robertson, eldest son of John Robertson of Fowlis, Tutor of Lude, and had issue.
6. Marjory Farquharson, *m.* George Leith of Overhall.
7. Magdalen Farquharson, *m.* John Robertson, 10th of Easter Straloch, (*c/m* 9 July 1663.¹ He *d.* in 1727), an *d.* in June of 1695, leaving issue.

ALEXANDER FARQUHARSON OF WARDHOUSE AND INVERCAULD, succeeded his brother in the lands of Invercauld on his death in 1666 and in which he was infest as heir to his grandfather, John Farquharson of Invercauld, on 3 April 1667. He *m.* Elizabeth, daughter of William MackIntosh of Torcastle, (*c/m* 12 February 1667.² She survived him and had *m.* secondly, by 15 December 1693, to Mr. John Forbes), *d.* in 1681 and was father of :

1. **WILLIAM FARQUHARSON OF INVERCAULD**, succeeded his father and as he and his brothers and sister were under age at his death, they had John Farquharson of Ravernie cognised their nearest agnate and duly appointed their tutor on 21st December 1681.³ He was served heir general to his father on 27 March 1688,⁴ was alive on 19 May 1694, and *dsp* by 2 November following, when his brother John was served his heir general.
2. John Farquharson of Invercauld, (*see below*).
3. Alexander Farquharson, of Monaltrie, obtained the lands of Monaltrie in 1702, and *m.* Anne, daughter of Francis Farquarson of Finzean. He *d.* on 1 February 1737, and was father of :
 - 3a) John Farquharson of Monaltrie, *m.* Elizabeth, daughter and coheir of David Ogilvy of Cluny and Muirton, (*c/m* 24 January 1735⁵). He *dsp*.

¹ RS52/2

² GD176/559

³ Inq. De Tut. No. 1063.

⁴ Retours. Gen. No. 6906.

⁵ GD16/44/40

3a) Francis Farquharson of Monaltrie, succeeded his brother and engaged as a Jacobite in the rising of 1745/46. He was taken prisoner after the battle of Culloden in April of 1746, and sent to London where he stood trial on the charge of high treason although, at length, this was commuted and his estates restored. He *m.* Margaret, daughter of Rowland Eyre of Hassop, (she *d.* at Durham on 3 March 1786¹), and *dsp*

3a) Robert Farquharson, *m.* first, on 7 November 1751, to Isobella, daughter of Mr. William Keith of Bruxie, and had issue ; and secondly, to Helen, daughter of William Baird of Auchmeddan, (she *d.* at Aberdeen on 20 October 1807²), by whom he had further issue.

He was father of :

3b) William Farquharson of Monaltrie, succeeded his uncle Francis Farquharson of Monaltrie in these lands and *m.* on 19 March 1791, to Margaret, daughter of Peter Garden of Dalgety. He *dsp* at Vivay, Switzerland, on 28 November 1828, aged 74 years, when the lands of Monaltrie reverted to Invercauld.

3b) Ann Farquharson,

3b) Francis Farquharson,

3b) James Farquharson,

3b) Amelia Farquharson,³

4. Margaret Farquharson, *m.* John Robertson of Lude, (*c/m* 5 July 1693⁴), and *d.* at Kindrochit on 23 December 1751, having had issue.

JOHN FARQUHARSON OF INVERCAULD, succeeded to the lands of Invercauld and was served heir general to his brother elder brother William and his father, Robert Farquharson of Invercauld, on 2 November 1694.⁵ and *d.* in June 1750, having *m.* firstly, to Isobel, daughter of Sir Alexander Burnett of Craigmyle, by whom he had no issue. He *m* secondly, to Christian, daughter of Sir Robert Menzies, fiar of Weem, (she was widow of Patrick Stewart, fiar of Ballechin, whom she had *m.* on 22 February 1713, and by whom she had issue), by whom he had no issue ; and thirdly, in April of 1720, to

¹ Scots Magazine. 1st March 1786, edition.

² Scots Magazine. 1st December 1807, edition.

³ All of whom are named in a monumental inscription at Crathie subscribed by their brother William of Monaltrie.

⁴ GD132/317

⁵ Retours. Gen. No. 7534 & 7535

Margaret, daughter of James Murray, third son of John Murray, 1st Marquess of Atholl, by whom he was father of :

1. James Farquharson of Invercauld, (*see below*).
2. Ann Farquharson, *m.* in 1741, to Aeneas MackIntosh of MackIntosh, (*c/m* 2 February 1741.¹ He *dsp* in 1770), and *dsp* at Leith on 2 March 1784.²
3. Margaret Farquharson, *d.* unmarried at Edinburgh on Monday 21 September 1789.³
4. Jean Farquharson, *d.* unmarried on 21 August 1758.⁴
5. Mary Farquharson, *m.* at Bath on 13 June 1769, to Captain John Oliver, H.E.I.C.S.⁵

He *m.* fourthly, Jean, daughter of Thomas Forbes of Waterton, and had further issue :

6. Robert Farquharson, became a Writer in Edinburgh. He *dsp* in August or September 1759, with his brother James Farquharson of Invercauld being served his heir in the lands of Kinloch on 7 May 1764.
7. Jean Farquharson, *d.* prior to 13 January 1762, when her sister Frances was served her heir.
8. Frances Farquharson, was served an heir portioner to her brother Robert and her sister Jean on 13 January 1762.

JAMES FARQUHARSON OF INVERCAULD, was served heir to his maternal grandfather, Lord James Murray, in half of the lands of Dowally, Tulliemet and the mill on 29 June 1726, and succeeded his father on his death in 1750 to whom he was served heir general on 26 April 1753. He was also served heir general to Captain Finaly Farquharson of Rochallie on 29 January 1777, and *d.* on 24 June 1805. He *m.* first, at Dunkeld on 18 April 1754, to Amelia, daughter of Lord George Murray, fourth son of John Murray, 2nd Marquess of Atholl, (she was widow of John, 8th Lord Sinclair, who had *dsp* on 3 November 1750, and *d.* at Marlee, near Blairgowrie, on 24 April 1779), by whom he was father of :

¹ GD176/192

² Scots Magazine. 1st March 1784, edition.

³ Caledonian Mercury. 24th September 1789, edition.

⁴ Scots Magazine. 7th August 1758, edition.

⁵ Scots Magazine. 1st June 1769, edition.

1. John Farquharson, *b.* on 3 August 1761, and *d.* young.
2. George Farquharson, *d.* young.
3. Amelia Farquharson, *b.* at Invercauld on 10 December 1757,¹ and *d.* at Leith on 2 January 1780.²
4. Margaret Farquharson, *b.* on 22 August 1759, *d.* in 1773 aged 14 years and was buried in Leith.
5. Charlotte Farquharson, *b.* on 28 July 1760, *d.* young and was buried at Arnhall.
6. Ann Farquharson, *b.* on 6 August 1763, *d.* young and was buried at Leith.
7. Mary Farquharson, *b.* on 4 April 1767, and *d.* young.
8. Jean Farquharson, *b.* on 15 April 1768, and *d.* young.
9. Fanny Farquharson, *b.* on 6 October 1769, and *d.* when at Lisbon.
10. Matilda Farquharson, *b.* on 31 January 1771, and *d.* young.
11. Katherine Farquharson of Invercauld, (*see below*).

He *m.* secondly, at Holyrood Abbey on 4 October 1792, to Margaret, daughter of Sir William Carr, Baronet,³ (she was widow of Lieutenant-General MacKay), by whom he had no apparent issue.

KATHERINE FARQUHARSON OF INVERCAULD, *b.* on 13 July, 1773, succeeded her father and was served his heir on 8 March 1806. She *m.* at Walker's Hotel, Prince's Street, Aberdeen, on 23 June 1799, to Captain Sir James Ross, second son of Sir John Ross of Balnagowan,⁴ (he *d.* at Edinburgh on 5 February 1809, aged 38⁵), who had Royal Licence in 1805, to assume and bear the surname and arms of Farquharson of Invercauld, *d.* at Charlotte Square, Edinburgh, on 27 February 1845,⁶ and had issue:

1. James Farquharson of Invercauld, (*see below*).
2. Amelia Farquharson, *d.* unmarried in 1827.
3. Elizabeth Farquharson, *d.* unmarried at Edinburgh on 31 October 1878.⁷

¹ Scots Magazine. 5th December 1757, edition.

² Caledonian Mercury. 8th January 1780, edition.

³ OPR See also Newcastle Courant. 13th October 1792, edition.

⁴ OPR. See also Aberdeen Journal. 24th June 1799 edition.

⁵ Scots Magazine. 1st February 1809, edition.

⁶ Inverness Courier. 12th March 1845, edition.

⁷ Statutory record. See also Aberdeen Journal. 9th November 1878, edition.

JAMES ROSS FARQUHARSON OF INVERCAULD, *b.* at George Street, Edinburgh, on 25 April 1808, and succeeded as heir male of tailzie to the lands of Monaltrie and was served heir to William Farquharson of Monaltrie on 7 December 1829. He *m.* at Edinburgh on 30 April 1833, to Janet Hamilton, eldest daughter of General Francis Dundas of Sanson,¹ (she *d.* at Richmond, London, on 2 August 1869²), *d.* at Richmond, London, on 20 November 1862, and was father of :

1. James Ross Farquharson of Invercauld, (*see below*).
2. Francis Dundas Farquharson, *b.* on 16 August 1835, and entered the Royal Rifle Corps as a second Lieutenant in February 1853, being promoted to Captain in April 1858. He served throughout the China campaign and was afterwards raised to Lieutenant-Colonel being retiring in 1876 due to ill health. He *d.* at Upper Norwood on Saturday 16 September 1882.³
3. George Murray Farquharson, *b.* on 16 August 1835, and was a senior clerk at the War Office. He *m.* on 3 January 1882, to Ethel Maud, second daughter of James Featherstonehaugh-Frampton of Moreton, and *d.* at Egerton Gardens, London on Sunday 7 May 1899.⁴ He was father of,
 - 3a) Janet Farquharson, *m.* on 10 June 1920, to Roy Douglas McNutt.
 - 3a) Margaret Farquharson, *m.* in July 1921, to Walter Bond, youngest son of Nathaniel Bond of Creech Grange,⁵ and *dsp* on 25 April 1968.
4. John Atholl Farquharson, *b.* at Edinburgh on 7 November 1837, and served in the Diplomatic service. He *dsp* at London on 20 October 1888.⁶
5. Henry Farquharson, *b.* on 19 November 1842, and entered the army, serving as Captain in the Scots Guards. He *d.* unmarried at Brighton on 11 September 1881.⁷
6. Albert Farquharson, *b.* on 10 January 1844, and *d.* unmarried at London on 6 August 1900.⁸
7. Victor Alexander Farquharson, *b.* at London on 14 May 1853, entered the army and *d.* unmarried at London on 13 October 1926.¹

¹ Perthshire Courier. 9th May 1833, edition.

² Statutory record. See also Dundee Courier. 11th August 1869, edition.

³ Statutory record. See also Dundee Evening Telegraph. 20th September 1882, edition.

⁴ Statutory record. See also Aberdeen Journal. 19th August 1899, edition.

⁵ Statutory record. See also Aberdeen Journal. 22nd July 1921, edition.

⁶ Statutory record. See also Aberdeen Journal. 29th October 1888, edition.

⁷ Aberdeen Journal. 24th September 1881, edition.

⁸ Statutory record. See also Aberdeen Journal. 29th August 1900, edition.

8. Robert Dundas Ross Farquharson, *b.* on 29 March 1840, and *d.* unmarried at Caldwell, Queensland, Australia, on 18 January 1867.²
9. Octavius Frederick Farquharson, *b.* on 16 January 1845, and *d.* in Queensland, Australia, in 1867. The inquest found that he had left the home of a friend on a pony and must have hit his head on a tree branch and had died as a consequence.³
10. Catherine Farquharson, *b.* on 18 August 1836, and *m.* at London on 14 March 1876, Hubert Hutchings of Sandford Oreas.⁴ She *d.* at Turnbridge Wells on 23 June 1914.⁵
11. Henrietta Dundas Farquharson, *b.* on 12 February 1839, and *d.* unmarried on 2 March 1924.
12. Janet Hamilton Farquharson, *b.* on 18 August 1841, and *m.* at London on Thursday 4 April 1872, to William Fenwick.⁶ She *d.* at London on 2 March 1924.
13. Amelia Farquharson, *b.* on 3 May 1848, and *d.* unmarried on 25 June 1922.

JAMES ROSS FARQUHARSON OF INVERCAULD, *b.* on 9 January 1834, and succeeded to the Invercauld estate on his father's death in 1862. He *m.* at St. George's, Hanover Square, London, on Saturday 19 November 1864, to Elizabeth Louisa, daughter of Alexander Haldane Oswald of Auchincruive,⁷ *d.* at London on Saturday 17 March 1888,⁸ and was father of :

1. James Farquharson, *b.* on 15 November 1856, and *d.* on 8 March 1873.
2. Alexander Haldane Farquharson of Invercauld, (*see below*).
3. Louisa Elizabeth Farquharson, *b.* on 11 November 1868, and *d.* unmarried on 17 October 1942.
4. Elo Janet Catherine Farquharson, *b.* on 24 July 1870, and *m.* at St. Peter's, Eaton Square, London, on 1 February 1906, to Evelyn Marmaduke Gresham Leveson-Gower.⁹ She *d.* on 20 March 1963, having had issue.

¹ Statutory record. See also Aberdeen Journal. 14th October 1926, edition.

² Cardwell Monumental Inscription.

³ Staffordshire Sentinel. 14th December 1867, edition.

⁴ Statutory record. See also Dundee Courier. 11th April 1876, edition.

⁵ Statutory record. See also Kent & Sussex Courier. 27th November 1914, edition.

⁶ Statutory record. See also Dundee Courier. 12th April 1872, edition.

⁷ Statutory record. See also London Evening Standard. 21st November 1864.

⁸ Statutory record. See also Dundee Courier. 19th March 1888, edition.

⁹ Statutory record. See also Surrey Mirror. 9th February 1906, edition.

ALEXANDER HALDANE FARQUHARSON OF INVERCAULD, *b.* on 12 March 1867, and succeeded his father on his death in 1888. He *m.* at St. Paul's, Knightsbridge, London, on 16 January 1893, to Zoe Caroline, daughter of Sir Richard Courtney Musgrave, 11th Baronet,¹ (she *d.* in December of 1929), *d.* at Invercauld House on 17 March 1936,² and was father of :

1. **MYRTLE FARQUHARSON OF INVERCAULD**, was recognised by Lord Lyon and matriculated arms on 3 December 1936. She *m.* at St. George's, Hanover Square, London, on 9 July 1925, to Robin Emile Frederick Regis d'Erlanger, Baron d'Erlanger,³ and was *k.* during an air raid on London on 11 May 1941.⁴ They had issue :

1a) Zoe d'Erlanger,

2. Sylvia Farquharson, *m.* at St. Margaret's, Westminster, on 3 July 1918, to Major Edward Robert Francis Compton,⁵ and *d.* on 17 March 1950. They had issue,

2a) **ALWYNE ARTHUR COMPTON FARQUHARSON OF INVERCAULD**, *b.* on 1 May 1919, and succeeded his aunt in the lands of Invercauld following which he matriculated arms at the Lyon Court on 30 November 1949, and assumed the surname and arms of Farquharson of Invercauld. He *m.* first, on 3 February 1949, to Frances Strickland, daughter of Robert Pollard Oldham, and secondly in 1993, to Patricia Gabrielle Estelle, daughter of Henry Simms Norman Simms-Adams.

2a) Robert Edward John Compton, *b.* on 11 July 1922, and *m.* on 5 July 1951, to Ursula Jane, daughter of Major Robert Orlando Rodolph Kenyon-Slaney. He *d.* on 14 November 2009.

2a) Mary Compton, *b.* on 1 May 1919, and *m.* first, 28 September 1939, to Bernard Henry Richard van Cutsem, from whom she was divorced in 1947. She *m.* secondly, on 22 February 1947, to Major William Dalton Henderson.

¹ Statutory record. See also Aberdeen Evening Express. 16th January 1893, edition.

² Statutory record. See also Aberdeen Journal. 18th March 1936, edition.

³ Aberdeen Journal. 13th July 1925, edition.

⁴ Statutory record. See also Aberdeen Journal. 20th May 1941, edition.

⁵ Aberdeen Journal. 4th July 1918, edition.

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