

NAIRN

OF DRUMKILBO

ALEXANDER NAIRN, 1ST OF DRUMKILBO, was a younger son of Alexander Nairn, 1st of Greenyards, and was served heir to his father in the lands of Easter Greenyards on 7 June, 1699. He had a charter under the Great Seal for the lands of Drumkilbo on 14 December, 1705, and under this designation is styled as nephew to Agnes Nairn, relict of William Blair of Tarsappie, in a Translation of a Bond by himself, concerning his aunt to Duncan Robertson, brother of Alexander Robertson of Faskally, on 4 September, 1721.¹ He *m.* Agnes, daughter of Sir David Kinloch of that Ilk, (she *d.* at Drumkilbo in August of 1752²), *d.* on 22 May, 1741, and was father of,

1. Alexander Nairn, younger of Drumkilbo, *m.* at Meigle on 30 April, 1737, to Elizabeth, daughter of Sir William Nairn, 2nd Baronet of Dunsinane,³ and *d. vita patris* on Tuesday 12 May 1741, aged 31 years.⁴ He was father of :

3d} **ROBERT NAIRN, 2ND OF DRUMKILBO**, *bap.* at Meigle on 17 April 1738, succeeded his grandfather on his death and was served heir to him in the lands of Drumkilbo, Castleton and Ingliston on 28 April 1742. He *dsp* in October of 1744.

3d} Alexander-William Nairn, a posthumous son who was *b.* on 20 December 1741, and *d.* in infancy.

3d} Ann Nairn, *m.* at Meigle on 15 November 1760, William Stewart, second son of William Stewart of Gourdie.⁵

3d} Henry-Margaret Nairn, *b.* on 3 June 1740.

3d} James-Agnes Nairn, *b.* on 3 June 1740.

3d} Charles-Amelia Nairn, *b.* on 3 June 1740.⁶

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² Caledonian Mercury. 3rd August 1752, edition.

³ OPR – Meigle.

⁴ Caledonian Mercury. 18th May 1741, edition.

⁵ OPR – Meigle.

⁶ Caledonian Mercury, 4th December 1741, edition states “Dec. 20. The Lady of the deceas’d Alexander Nairn younger of Drumkilbo, Esq; of a pofthumous son, baptized Alexander-William. The same Lady

2. David Nairn, 3rd of Drumkilbo, (*see below*).
3. Robert Nairn, who *dsp*.
4. James Nairn, entered the army and had the rank of Lieutenant by 24 May 1745, when he is styled as youngest son of the deceased Alexander Nairn of Drumkilbo. He *d.* at Drumkilbo on 3 June 1772.¹
5. Margaret Nairn, *m.* at Meigle on 19 August, 1732, Charles Kinloch of Gourdie, and *d.* at St. Andrew's on 18 January 1767,² having had issue.
6. Jean Nairn, *d.* unmarried on 1 September 1759, being described as "a Lady so distinguished for her many natural, as well as acquired good qualifications, that she is universally regretted."³
7. Ann Nairn,
8. Isobel Nairn, named in a Bond with her father on 17 January, 1734.

DAVID NAIRN, 3RD OF DRUMKILBO, succeeded his nephew, Robert Nairn of Drumkilbo, on his death in 1744, and was served heir to him in the lands of Drumkilbo, Castletoun and Inglistoun on 12 August 1747. He was also served heir to his nieces, Margaret and Agnes, daughters of his brother, Alexander, on 16 March 1749, and *m.* at Meigle on 6 August, 1749, Susanna, daughter of John Lyon of Brigton.⁴ He *d.* at Drumkilbo on 26 July 1764,⁵ and was father of :

ALEXANDER NAIRN, 4TH OF DRUMKILBO, *hap.* at Meigle on 11 July, 1750, succeeded his father on his death and was served heir to him on 29 August, 1764. He *d.* at Edinburgh on 30 December 1814,⁶ having *m.* firstly, to Preston, daughter of John Balneaves of Carnbaddie, (she *d.* at Polton on 30 December 1782⁷), by whom he was father of ;

was, on June 3. 1740, delivered of three daughters, baptized James-Agnes, Charles-Amelia, Henry-Margaret, who are all in good health."

¹ Scots Magazine. 1st May 1772, edition.

² Scots Magazine, 1st January 1767, edition.

³ Caledonian Mercury. 5th September 1759, edition.

⁴ OPR – Meigle.

⁵ Caledonian Mercury. 1st August 1764, edition.

⁶ Scots Magazine, 1st January 1815, edition.

⁷ Scots Magazine, 1st December 1782, edition.

1. John Nairn, was retoured heir to his uncle John Balneaves, son of Colonel John Balneaves of Cambadie, and his aunt Jean Balneaves, wife of Colonel Robert Pringle, on 4 February 1789, and is then styled as son of Alexander Nairn of Drumkilbo. He *dsp* prior to June of 1821.

He *m.* secondly, Margaret Anne Yeaman, (*c/m* 23 June 1787), and by her he had further issue :

2. **DAVID NAIRN, 5TH OF DRUMKILBO**, *b.* on 14 May, 1797, and was retoured heir to his father in the barony of Drumkilbo on 18 June 1821. He acquired the estates of Tobermory, in 1845, and Aros, in 1846, from the British Fisheries Society which he combined and soon afterwards sold. He *dsp* at Bridge of Allan on 22 November 1854,¹ with his estate of Drumkilbo being placed into the hands of judicial factors.
3. Elizabeth Nairn, *bap.* at Meigle on 5 July, 1790, and *d.* at Edinburgh on 11 July 1815.²
4. Janet Nairn, *bap.* at Meigle on 23 September, 1791.
5. Mary Craig Nairn, *bap.* at Meigle on 20 October, 1795, and *d.* at Drumkilbo on 15 August 1816.³

¹ Dundee Courier. 1st December 1854, edition.

² Perthshire Courier. 27th July 1815, edition.

³ Perthshire Courier. 15th August 1816, edition.