

# STEWART

## *of* APPIN

**DUGALD STEWART, 1<sup>ST</sup> OF APPIN**, was a natural son of Sir John Stewart, Lord of Lorne. On his father's death in 1463, he is said to have attempted to claim Lorne from his uncle Walter Stewart through force of arms until a compromise was reached between them which allowed him the lands of Appin, however, the veracity of that tradition is doubtful as on 21 March 1469 Allan Stewart, as a sheriff of Perth, took instruments recording that he had given Sasine of certain lands in Lorne to Dougald Stewart as procurator of Walter Stewart, Lord Lorne.<sup>1</sup> He entered into a Bond with Colin, Earl of Argyll, relating to agreements between them and Campbell of Glenorchy on 15 October 1485.<sup>2</sup>

His wife is said to have been a daughter of MacDougal of Nether Lorn but there is no evidence for her. It is also asserted that he was killed in battle in 1498 but that is not correct. He was living on 26 November 1500<sup>3</sup> and was dead by January 1500-01, when he is so-designed in a charter to his eldest son, Duncan. He was father of,

1. **DUNCAN STEWART, 2<sup>ND</sup> OF APPIN**, is styled son of Dougal Stewart of Appin in a complaint raised against by John MacCoule of Raray before the Lords Auditors on 29 November 1500<sup>4</sup> and had succeeded his father by 14 January 1500-01, when he a charter under the Great Seal for the lands of Durroure, Ardsheal, Lagganhall Ballachuilish, and others, which the King had divested from John MacCoull.<sup>5</sup> He received a gift under the Privy Seal for those of Mamore and the Isle of Dundauray on 29 May 1502, in which he is styled son and heir to the

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<sup>1</sup> NRAS1209/1109/22.

<sup>2</sup> NRAS1209/1080.

<sup>3</sup> Acta Dom Conc. Vol. ii, p. 447.

<sup>4</sup> Acta Dom Conc. Vol. ii, p. 447.

<sup>5</sup> RMS Vol. 2, no. 2565.

deceased Dugald Stewart of Appin.<sup>6</sup> On 8 April 1510 he had a charter from the King for the extensive lands of Duart and others in Mull which had been taken from Lachlan MacLean of Duart<sup>7</sup> and in gratitude for a gift to the King of a galley of thirty-six oars, he received the lands of Inverlochy, Terelondy, Drummyfour and Auchontor, in the lordship of Lochaber, on 9 July 1512.<sup>8</sup> He had died *s.p.* after then and before 11 August 1515,<sup>9</sup> and was succeeded by his immediate younger brother, Alan.

2. Alan Stewart, 3<sup>rd</sup> of Appin, (*see below*).

3. Robert Stewart, who was father of,

3a} Dugald Stewart, who is styled “Dugald McRobert” in the decree for divorce of his daughter with James Stewart, 3<sup>rd</sup> of Bonskeid. He was father of,

3b} Robert Stewart of Strathgarry, married Katherine, daughter and coheiress of Alexander Robertson of Strathgarry, with whom he acquired one half of those lands.<sup>10</sup> He had issue, (*see Stewart of Strathgarry*).

3b} A daughter, married James Stewart, 3<sup>rd</sup> of Bonskeid, from whom she was divorced.

**ALAN STEWART, 3<sup>RD</sup> OF APPIN.** On 11 August 1515, had a gift under the Privy Seal of the lands of Durroure, comprising the lands of Coul of Durroure, Ardsheal, Lagginhall, Ballechullis, Auchincarne, Auchindarach, Auchincarne, Auchinblare, which had previously belonged to the late Duncan Stewart of Appin, his brother.<sup>11</sup> He gave a Bond of Manrent to Archibald, Earl of Argyle, in 1531 and was a witness to a Sasine by which John Campbell was infeft as heir to his brother, Duncan

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<sup>6</sup> RPS Vol. I. No. 844.

<sup>7</sup> RMS Vol. 2, no. 3440.

<sup>8</sup> RMS Vol. 2, no. 3753.

<sup>9</sup> *Genealogy of the Surname of Stewart*, Rev Duncan Stewart 1739, p. 192. The tradition was that Duncan, having been appointed King’s Chamberlain of the Isles, the inhabitants too exception to his officiousness in performing his duties, “which the Islanders were not used then used with, he was murdered”

<sup>10</sup> Blair Castle Archives Box 9 Parcel IV. No. 8.

<sup>11</sup> RPS Vol. I. No. 2595.

Campbell of Glenorchy, in the lands and baronies of Finlarig and Glenorchy on 30 January 1537.<sup>12</sup> He also witnessed a charter by Archibald, Master of Argyll, granting the lands of Ardbeg to Neil MacNeil VicEachan, on 23 December 1545.<sup>13</sup>

His wife is said to have been a daughter of Alan Cameron of Lochiel, but there is no evidence for her. He died after 17 November 1563 and before 24 May 1565, and was father of :

1. Duncan Stewart, 4<sup>th</sup> of Appin, (*see below*).
2. Dugald Stewart, 1<sup>st</sup> of Achnacone, obtained those lands and had issue, (*see Stewart of Achnacone*).
3. James Stewart, 1<sup>st</sup> of Fasnacloich, was provided by his father to the lands of Fasnacloich, in which he was infest by Sasine dated 8 March 1552-53. He had issue, (*see Stewart of Fasnacloich*).
4. Alexander Stewart, 1<sup>st</sup> of Invernahyle, obtained those lands and had issue, (*see Stewart of Invernahyle*).

He was also father of a natural son :

5. John Stewart, received a remission on 29 March 1538, for complicity to the murder of Patrick Rattray in Kinballoch, and for all other crimes, except that of treason.<sup>14</sup> He granted a Bond of Manrent to Archibald, Earl of Argyll, on 20 September 1544<sup>15</sup> and is likely identical to the John roy MacAllane MacCoule alias Stewart, who was murdered by Ewen Cameron of Lochiel and his followers before 27 September 1550, when they were pursued for the crime.<sup>16</sup>

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<sup>12</sup> GD112/2/71/16.

<sup>13</sup> GD437/4.

<sup>14</sup> PS1/11/61.

<sup>15</sup> NRAS1209/1083/misc.

<sup>16</sup> Pitcairn Vol. 1, p. 355.

**DUNCAN STEWART, 4<sup>TH</sup> OF APPIN**, is styled son and heir apparent to Alan Stewart of Appin in a charter dated 11 February 1540<sup>17</sup> and succeeded his father. He married by 24 August 1542, to Janet, daughter of Gordon, 3<sup>rd</sup> Earl of Huntly, when he granted her a liferent sasine for certain of his lands in Appin,<sup>18</sup> and died after 17 November 1563 and before May 1564. He was father of :

**JOHN STEWART, 5<sup>TH</sup> OF APPIN**, is styled apparent of Appin in a Bond of Friendship by Gregor MacGregor of that Ilk on 17 November 1563<sup>19</sup> and had succeeded to the lands of Appin by 25 May 1564, when Archibald, Earl of Argyle granted a commission to James Campbell of Ardkinglass to commune with him and “*receive men promised by him to said Archibald to be imprisoned in the castle of Ichomil.*”<sup>20</sup> On 24 May 1565, he granted the wadset of the lands of Creaganerrich to Gilfillan MacEyllicht<sup>21</sup> and on 4 December 1570, he entered into a Bond of Manrent with Sir Colin Campbell of Glenorchy.<sup>22</sup> He entered into a further Bond with Sir Colin’s son and heir, Sir Duncan Campbell, on 1 March 1585, taking burden on his son and kin to be faithful servants to him in the highlands at their own expenses and if required in the lowlands then at Sir Duncan’s expense.<sup>23</sup> He witnessed a Bond of Manrent by Angus MacDonald of Dunnivaig to Sir Duncan Campbell of Glenorchy, dated 16 March 1590<sup>24</sup> as well as a Protection by that Sir Duncan to Angus MacAllan, fiar of Eilean Tioram, dated 5 May 1591, and died after then and before 21 December 1595.

He married firstly, in June 1555, to Eupham MacConnell whom he divorced on 29 July 1573, on the grounds of her having “*gaif her body in filthy adulterie to Donald Campbell of Zitherauchan*” and by whom he had “*sundre children, be the*

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<sup>17</sup> GD170/31.

<sup>18</sup> GD38/1/18.

<sup>19</sup> GD112/1/136.

<sup>20</sup> NRAS1209/1074/misc.

<sup>21</sup> RH1/2/624.

<sup>22</sup> GD112/1/192.

<sup>23</sup> GD112/1/250.

<sup>24</sup> GD112/24/1/18.

*space of twelf zeiris thaireftir, or thairby*".<sup>25</sup> He married secondly, to Katherine, daughter of John Campbell, 1<sup>st</sup> of Lochnell, (marriage contract 6 April 1575.<sup>26</sup> She was widow of John MacLean of Kinlochaline), and had issue :

1. Duncan Stewart, 6<sup>th</sup> of Appin, (*see below*).

He married thirdly, a daughter of John MacDonald of Moidart, by whom he had further issue :

2. John Stewart, 1<sup>st</sup> of Ardsheal, is styled brother to the Laird of Appin in a letter by Campbell of Glenorchy to his kinsman, the Earl of Argyll, dated 27 April 1618, in which he comments on John's recent killing of John Abrach of Glentoun.<sup>27</sup> He had issue, (*see Stewart of Ardsheil*).
3. A daughter, married Alan Cameron of Lochiel.

**DUNCAN STEWART, 6<sup>TH</sup> OF APPIN**, had succeeded his father by 21 December 1595 when he granted a charter to Gillemichael McEwen VicGillechallum VicEwin VicUnche VicGillemichael for the brewlands of Annat in Appin, and was witness to a charter by Archibald, Earl of Argyll, confirming a grant of the lands of Rosneath and others to Sir Duncan Campbell of Glenorchy.<sup>28</sup> He set John Campbell of Auchinryre in the teinds of the lands of Durroure on 17 July 1599,<sup>29</sup> and is named with Duncan Stewart, his eldest son and heir on 8 January 1618. He died after January 1634 and before 11 March 1637.

His wife is said to have been a daughter of Archibald Campbell, 2<sup>nd</sup> of Lochnell, but there is no proof of that. He was father of :

1. Duncan Stewart of Appin, (*see below*).

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<sup>25</sup> CC8/2/6/f. 157r-v.

<sup>26</sup> RH6/2352.

<sup>27</sup> GD112/39/28/5.

<sup>28</sup> GD112/1/889.

<sup>29</sup> GD112/10/1/1/14.

2. John Stewart of Achacharn, acquired the lands of Kenlochane from his brother, Duncan Stewart, fiar of Appin, in which he was infeft on 22 January 1634.<sup>30</sup> He was also infeft in those of Achacharn by Sasine dated 11 March 1637 and was bailie to the liferent Sasine in favour Jean Campbell, wife of Duncan Campbell of Appin, on 2 April 1653.
3. Alan Stewart, had married by 24 January 1634, to Christian, daughter of Alexander Stewart of Ardvorlich, when they were infeft in the wadset of the lands of Kenlochane.<sup>31</sup> They renounced that contract on 14 May 1638.<sup>32</sup>
4. Dugald Stewart, was a witness to his brother, John's Sasine for the lands of Kenlochane on 22 January 1634.<sup>33</sup>

**DUNCAN STEWART, 7<sup>TH</sup> OF APPIN**, who, with his father, granted a charter to John MacEan VcGilleMichael for the Brewlands of Appin on 8 January 1618<sup>34</sup> and was infeft in the fee, with his father in the liferent, of the lands of Kenlochane, Findalt, Auchnynnone, Invernahyle, and others on 23 January 1634.<sup>35</sup>

He is said to have married a daughter of Cameron of Lochiel, but there is no proof of that. He did, however, marry by 28 August 1639, to Margaret, daughter of John Stewart of Grannich and Foss, (she was widow of John Stewart, fiar of Kinnaird, whom she had married in 1603,<sup>36</sup> and by whom she had issue), when she assigned her liferent of her late husband's lands to her eldest son by her first marriage, Thomas Stewart of Kinnaird.<sup>37</sup> He was father of :

1. **DUNCAN STEWART, 8<sup>TH</sup> OF APPIN**, when still heir apparent to his father, he led the Appin Stewarts in the Royalist wars for which, on 22 May 1649, he was

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<sup>30</sup> RS9/39/161 & 162.

<sup>31</sup> RS9/39/162. To which her brother, James Stewart of Ardvorlich, was a witness.

<sup>32</sup> RS9/46/489.

<sup>33</sup> RS9/39/161 & 162.

<sup>34</sup> GD170/46.

<sup>35</sup> RS9/39/161.

<sup>36</sup> GD38/1/61A.

<sup>37</sup> GD38/1/178.

included with Alexander Stewart, 4<sup>th</sup> of Invernahyle, and Hector Maclean of Kingairloch in a summons of treason issued by Parliament for having “in the month of January 1645, took up arms against this kingdom and estates thereof in so far as in the said month of January 1645 they did join in arms with the said James Graham and his rebellious army and were all present with the said James and the said rebels with all the men they could command at the field of Inverloch, which was fought between the forces of this kingdom and the said rebels upon 2 February 1645, and was also with the said rebels at Methven Wood the time aforesaid and remained thereafter, and was present with the said rebels’ army at the battle of Kilsyth, which was upon 15 August 1645. Likewise the aforesaid persons were with the said rebels in the month of October, November and December 1645, or one or other of them, and in January and February 1646 and since then at the burning and wasting and harrying and destroying of the said lands of Cowal, Knapdale and many other lands within the said sheriffdom of Argyll and committing of many slaughters and murders by the said rebels within the said bounds at the time aforesaid.”<sup>38</sup> He married after 27 August 1649, to Jean, daughter of Sir Robert Campbell, 9<sup>th</sup> Glenorchy, (she was widow of Archibald Campbell, fiar of Glenlyon, whom she had married in 1632<sup>39</sup> and by whom she had issue, and also of Patrick MacGregor of that Ilk, by whom she had further issue), whom he infeft in a liferent of his lands by Sasine dated 2 April 1653. He died before 1682 and had issue,

1a} Margaret Stewart, the only child, married Alexander Campbell, 6<sup>th</sup> of Lochnell,<sup>40</sup> (he died on 4 January 1714<sup>41</sup>) by whom, in implementation of their marriage contract, she was infeft in a liferent of his lands on 13 January 1675. They had issue.

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<sup>38</sup> PA2/25/f.173r-176v.

<sup>39</sup> RD1/538, registered on 29<sup>th</sup> July 1642.

<sup>40</sup> RS10/1/f.84.

<sup>41</sup> GD202/39. See also: Argyll Tests.

2. Alan Stewart, married Margaret, daughter of Lachlan MacLean of Coll, (marriage contract 7 May 1644<sup>42</sup>) and died in 1675,<sup>43</sup> having had issue,  
2a} **ROBERT STEWART, 9<sup>TH</sup> OF APPIN**, (*see below*).
3. Donald Stewart, is styled brother to Duncan Stewart of Appin when he was bailie to that brother in a Sasine to him for the lands of Lettershunna on 5 December 1674.<sup>44</sup> He was father of,  
3a} William Stewart, is said to have become a Priest and to have been murdered when in Rome, in 1737.
4. Moir Stewart, married Alexander Stewart, 4<sup>th</sup> of Invernahyle, and surviving him, she died in March 1663.<sup>45</sup> They had issue.
5. Mary Stewart, married by 6 December 1656, to Donald Campbell of Eriska when she was infert in a liferent of 1200 merks Scots from his lands in implementation of the terms of their marriage contract.<sup>46</sup>

**ROBERT STEWART, 9<sup>TH</sup> OF APPIN**, was executor to his father in 1675 and succeeded his uncle, Duncan Stewart of Appin, in the lands of Appin about 1682. He had special service as heir to him in the lands of Lettershunna, Blairmaley, Coul and Salichan on 19 May 1697.<sup>47</sup>

Although under age and at college at the time, he returned to the Highlands and led a contingent of about one hundred clansmen at the battle of Killiecrankie in July 1689, for which he was charged with High Treason. He was also at the head of his Clan during the Jacobite rising in 1715, for which he was attainted and his estate forfeited, but which was restored to him in 1717. He died in 1736, and after April of that year. He married firstly, to Isabel, daughter of Sir John MacLeod of MacLeod, by whom he was father of,

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<sup>42</sup> CC2/3/5/36. See also: RD2/43/104.

<sup>43</sup> CC2/3/5/36.

<sup>44</sup> RS10/1/f.78.

<sup>45</sup> CC2/3/3/pp.69-70.

<sup>46</sup> Argyll Sasines, Second Series, Vol. 12, f. 242.

<sup>47</sup> SC54/7/1/1/14.



1. Duncan Stewart, died young when at school.<sup>48</sup>
2. Mary Stewart, married Lachlan MacLachlan of MacLachlan, (marriage contract 7 July 1725.<sup>49</sup> He was killed at the battle of Culloden, on 16 April 1746), and had issue.
3. Anne Stewart, married about 1725, to Alexander MacDonald of Glencoe, (he married secondly, to Isabel, daughter of John Stewart of Ardsheil, who survived him and was called as one of the witnesses for the defence in the trial of James Stewart, in 1752, for the murder of Colin Campbell of Glenure) and had issue.

Surviving his first wife, he married secondly, to Ann, daughter of Sir Alexander Campbell of Lochnell,<sup>50</sup> who, as his relict, made out her Will and Testament on 15 December 1767, and by whom he had further issue;

4. Dugald Stewart, 10<sup>th</sup> of Appin, (*see below*).
5. Isobel Stewart, married Donald MacDonald of Kinlochmoidart, (he was executed at Carlisle, on 18 October 1746), from whom she had a liferent of his lands of Kinloch confirmed to her on 7 May 1740.<sup>51</sup> They had issue.
6. Janet Stewart, married Alexander MacDonnell of Keppoch (he was killed at the battle of Culloden, on 16 April 1746) and had issue.
7. Margaret Stewart, settled in Greenock and was served an heir portioner to her brother, Dugald Stewart of Appin, in the lands of Invernenty, in Balquhiddy, on 19 July 1802.<sup>52</sup>
8. Katherine Stewart, married Alexander Stewart, younger of Invernahyle, eldest son and heir of Duncan Stewart of Invernahyle, (marriage contract 13 December 1742.<sup>53</sup> He died on 15 November 1795, aged eighty-eight<sup>54</sup>), and had issue.

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<sup>48</sup> *Genealogy of the Surname of Stewart*, Rev Duncan Stewart 1739, p. 193.

<sup>49</sup> RS3/126/379v-382v.

<sup>50</sup> RS10/8/470.

<sup>51</sup> GD14/13.

<sup>52</sup> Service of Heirs.

<sup>53</sup> RS10/8/f.198.

<sup>54</sup> Scots Magazine, 1<sup>st</sup> November 1795, edition.

9. Jean Stewart, who died young.

10. Beatrix Campbell, married Patrick Campbell, second son of Colin Campbell of Ballieveolan, (marriage contract 2 February 1723<sup>55</sup>).

**DUGALD STEWART, 10<sup>TH</sup> OF APPIN**, succeeded his father in 1736<sup>56</sup> but being under age at the time, he had John Stewart of Ardsheal appointed tutor to him as nearest agnate on his father's side. His estate being heavily burdened by debt, it was sequestrated at his death and sold to satisfy creditors in 1766. He married Margaret MacKenzie<sup>57</sup> and died at London, on 7 April 1764,<sup>58</sup> having had issue,

1. Ann Stewart, the only child,<sup>59</sup> married at Blandfield, near Edinburgh, on 2 August 1770, to David Loch of Carnbee.<sup>60</sup>

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<sup>55</sup> GD13/55.

<sup>56</sup> GD112/51/114/21.

<sup>57</sup> RS10/8/f.444.

<sup>58</sup> Scots Magazine, 1<sup>st</sup> April 1764, edition.

<sup>59</sup> GD170/428.

<sup>60</sup> Scots Magazine, 1<sup>st</sup> July 1770, edition.