

Clan MacInnes takes a stand on Culloden Marker

It is part of the historical record that Clan MacInnes fought and in some cases died at the Battle of Culloden in 1745 as members of the Appin Regiment. Although there are no MacInnes markers on the field there has been for many years a marker dedicated to the Appin Regiment.

The National Trust for Scotland has made a decision to change that designation to read; The Appin Regiment – Stewart and MacLaren. Unfortunately this rendering leaves the clear impression that the Regiment was composed entirely of Clans Stewart and MacLaren. This is an affront to the memory of our own fallen clansmen.

The letter below has been sent to the Chairman of the National Trust for Scotland with a request to meet with Clan MacInnes officers in Scotland. The Trust is resting its decision on tradition and not the historical record. We can only surmise but perhaps they have succumbed to political pressure on the ground in Scotland from Clans Stewart and MacLaren. Be that as it may it seems incredible to me that for want of an accurate inscription on a marker they are willing to consign our clan into oblivion.

We are asking the Trust to recognize the sacrifice of Clans MacInnes, Livingstone, MacColl, Carmichael, MacCombich and Buchanan by name as well as Stewart and MacLaren. Please let the Trust know how you feel by contacting them at:

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A letter of protest mailed directly the Chairman of the National Trust would have the most effect on them. First class US postage to the UK is 90 cents. An email is a second choice. Doing both is the best way to get their attention!

Norman MacInnis, President

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