



Your Clan at Work, Coming Events:

Stephen and Ourania Hope will host a Clan Hope of Craighall Society tent at the [Aberdeen Highland Games](#) in the Upper Hunter region of NSW July 3, 2021. Information regarding the possibility of cancellation due to Covid-19 will be posted at the link.

Should you be in the area where Clan Hope is sponsoring activities, please drop by and visit with us.

Also feel free to extend an invitation to anyone who might be interested in attending this and other events.

Scottish Games Calendar 2021

[U.S. Scottish Games by State](#)

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[Scottish Games Calendar: Scotland](#)

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Places named Hope

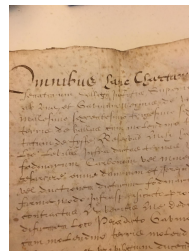
[Hope, Flintshire, Wales](#)

[Hope Mountain, Wrexham, Wales: Tripadvisor: Info/Reviews](#)

The Clan Hope Of Craighall Society Newsletter welcomes submissions. Clan Hope members may submit biographies for the *Members' Corner*. We also accept submissions of any material relating to Scottish history/humor, Hope genealogy, Hope history, genealogy methods and tricks, or any additional information that may be of interest or useful to our readers. We look forward to your contributions.

Originally posted on Clan Hope of Craighall Society Facebook page by Colin Adamson, January 19, 2019 and January 24, 2020.

Hi, I'm not a Hope, nor do I have any family connections. I did, however, recently come into possession of an ancient Hope of Craighall document, possibly dating back to the late 1600s or early 1700s, which I believe may be of interest to the family and members. It is written in Latin, I think, on parchment, is clearly signed "Craighall" and has a very rare crested wax seal still attached. Having conducted extensive enquiries and enlisted the kind assistance of several of Scotland's leading historians, including Dr. Alison Rosie, registrar of the Scottish National Archive and Max Markus, Secretary to the Lord Lyon national heraldic office, I am now in a position to tell you much more about the ancient seal and document.



Dr. Rosie was able to translate and found it to be a "Charter by Sir John Hope of Craighall in favour of Gavin Wemyss of Unthank of the lands of Ballas in Fife, following a feu contract of 13 June 1636, reserving the liberties and privileges of the watergangs [aqueducts] leading to and from the River Eden, and coal and mineral rights, with Wemyss to pay annually the sum of 5 merks at two terms in the year, Whitsunday and Martinmas in winter by equal portions, and 10 merks for ward on the said lands, with precept of sasine, Edinburgh, 27 December 1636."

The granter, she reported, was Sir Thomas Hope of Craighall's eldest son, Sir John Hope, who was appointed an Ordinary Lord of Session in 1632. Dr. Rosie, who was the main historical adviser in the making of the 2018 film *Mary Queen of Scots*, kindly performed a search of the available Hope of Craighall papers which are deposited in the National Records of Scotland. She reported back: "Those I have consulted unfortunately no longer have their seals"



Scottish Humor

The Barracks Door

A Scotsman walks into a supermarket with his zipper down. A lady cashier walks up to him and says, "Your barracks door is open." Unfamiliar with this phrase he went on his way, looking a bit puzzled.

When he was near done shopping, a man came up and said, "Your fly is open." He zipped up, finished his shopping, and got in the lady cashier's line to check out. Looking to have a little fun with her, when it was his turn he said, "When you saw my barracks door open, did you see a Scottish soldier standing in there at attention?"

The lady thought for a moment, then looked at him with a wee smile and said, "No, no. But I did see a disabled veteran sitting on two duffle bags."

Recipes

Pulled Lamb Tacos

There is no sunlight in the poetry of



exile. There is only mist, wind, rain, the cry of the curlew and the slow clouds above damp moorland. That is the real Scotland; that is the Scotland whose memory rings the withers of the far-from-home; and, in some way that is mysterious, that is the Scotland that even a stranger learns to love. -H. V. Morton

My own research found that Ancient Scottish Seals compiled by Henry Laing, Edinburgh, does contain a description that very clearly matches my seal. "Sir Thomas Hope, Bart. of Craighall (sic) Lord Advocate of Scotland: A signet. A chevron between three besants: the shield surrounded with a scroll ornament, very prettily executed." It would appear that my seal's central shield bears the arms of Nova Scotia - a lion rampant on top of the cross of St Andrew. This would make sense as Sir Thomas Hope was one of the first Scottish noblemen to be created baronet of Nova Scotia in 1628.



Given this information, Mr Markus checked back through all of the Lord Lyon's Office records. He informed me: "Our records before the third volume do not contain pictorial representations of the arms. However, under the entry for Sir Thomas Hope of Craighall, the shield is described as "azur a chevron betwixt three bezants" and the crest as "a broaken glob surmounted of a Rainbow proper". This dates from a grant of 1672. "As far as I can see this description of the shield and crest matches the images of the seal you have given us. I would therefore think it reasonable to assume that this is the seal of Sir Thomas."

HOPE HISTORY, FAMILY CREST & COATS OF ARMS ORIGINS AVAILABLE:

The [Anglo-Saxon](#) name Hope comes from when the family resided in one of the various settlements of Hope found in [Derbyshire](#), [Shropshire](#), and the North Riding of [Yorkshire](#), among other places, or in or near a raised area of land in a fen, or a small, enclosed valley. The surname Hope is derived from the Old English word "hop" which means "the side of a hill, or low ground between hills." In [Scotland](#), "hope" means "glen."

Early Origins of the Hope family

The surname Hope was first found in [Shropshire](#) where Robert de Hope was listed in the [Hundredorum Rolls](#) of 1255. John [atte](#) hop was found in the [Subsidy Rolls](#) for [Sussex](#) in 1296 and later Robert del Hope was found in the [Subsidy Rolls](#) for [Yorkshire](#) in 1302.

Roger de la Hope was found in the [Hundredorum Rolls](#) for [Herefordshire](#) in 1273.

In [Somerset](#), John [atte](#) Hope, Walter [atte](#) Hope and Edith [atte](#) Hope were listed there 1 Edward III (during the first year of King Edward III's reign) [5] and Alicia de Hope was found in the [Yorkshire Poll Tax](#) Rolls of 1379.

In [Scotland](#), "John Hope of [Peeblesshire](#) rendered homage [to [King Edward I](#) of England], 1296, and Symon de la Hope was received to the king of England's peace in 1321. "

Early History of the Hope family

This web page shows only a small excerpt of our Hope research. Another 219 words (16 lines of text) covering the years 1541, 1567, 1681, 1742, 1860, 1908, 1902, 1844, 1590, 1678, 1573, 1646, 1643, 1605, 1654, 1606, 1643, 1614, 1661, 1681, 1742, 1614 and 1661 are included under the topic Early Hope History in all our [PDF Extended History products](#) and printed products wherever possible.

Hope Spelling Variations

The English language only became standardized in the last few centuries; therefore, [spelling variations](#) are common among early [Anglo-Saxon](#) names. As the form of the English language changed, even the spelling of literate people's names evolved. Hope has been recorded under many different variations, including Hope, Hopes and others.

Early Notables of the Hope family (pre 1700)

Notables of the family at this time include Sir Thomas Hope, 1st Baronet Hope of Craighall (1573-1646), a Scottish lawyer, Lord High Commissioner to the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland in 1643. He was the son of an eminent Edinburgh merchant, Henry Hope, and his French wife, Jacqueline de Tott. His eldest son, Sir John Hope, Lord Craighall (1605?-1654) was a Scottish judge. His second oldest son, Sir Thomas Hope of Kerse (1606-1643) was...

Another 74 words (5 lines of text) are included under the topic Early Hope Notables in all our [PDF Extended History products](#) and printed products wherever possible.

Migration of the Hope family to Ireland

Some of the Hope family moved to [Ireland](#), but this topic is not covered in this excerpt. More information about their life in [Ireland](#) is included in all our [PDF Extended History products](#) and printed products wherever possible.

Hope migration to the United States

For many English families, the political and religious disarray that shrouded [England](#) made the far away New World an attractive prospect. On cramped disease-ridden ships, thousands migrated to those British colonies that would eventually become Canada and the United States. Those hardy settlers that survived the journey often went on to make important contributions to the emerging nations in which they landed. Analysis of immigration records indicates that some of the first North American immigrants bore the name Hope or a variant listed above:

Hope Settlers in United States in the 17th Century

- Thomas Hope who settled in Virginia in 1607
- Thomas Hope, who arrived in Jamestown, Va in 1607
- Abraham Hope, who landed in Maryland in 1651
- Abraham Hope, who arrived in Maryland in 1651
- William Hope, who landed in Maryland in 1660
- ... (More are available in all our [PDF Extended History products](#) and printed products wherever possible.)

Hope Settlers in United States in the 18th Century

- John Misbell Hope, who arrived in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania in 1773
- Georg Hope, who arrived in America in 1778

Hope Settlers in United States in the 19th Century

- David Hope, aged 45, who landed in New York in 1812
- Robert Hope, aged 51, who arrived in New York in 1812
- Matthew Hope, who arrived in New York, NY in 1823
- James Hope, who arrived in Allegany (Allegheny) County, Pennsylvania in 1839
- James, John, Michael, Patrick, Samuel, Thomas, and William Hope, all, who arrived in Philadelphia between 1800 and 1870

Hope migration to Canada

Hope Settlers in Canada in the 19th Century

- John Hope, who arrived in Nova Scotia in 1828

Hope migration to Australia

Emigration to [Australia](#) followed the [First Fleets](#) of convicts, tradespeople and early settlers. Early immigrants include:

Hope Settlers in [Australia](#) in the 19th Century

- Mr. Abraham Hope who was convicted in Warwick, [Warwickshire, England](#) for 7 years, transported aboard the "Camden" on 21st March 1831, arriving in [New South Wales, Australia](#)
- Mr. George Hope, English convict who was convicted in North Riding, [Yorkshire, England](#) for 7 years, transported aboard the "Augusta Jessie" on 27 September 1834, arriving in Tasmania ([Van Diemen's Land](#))
- Eliza Hope, who arrived in Adelaide, [Australia](#) aboard the ship "Lady Lilford" in 1839
- Mr. James Hope, English convict who was convicted in Lewes, East [Sussex, England](#) for 7 years, transported aboard the "Candahar" on 26th March 1842, arriving in Tasmania ([Van Diemen's Land](#))
- John Hope, who arrived in Adelaide, [Australia](#) aboard the ship "Branken Moor" in 1849

Hope migration to New Zealand

Emigration to New Zealand followed in the footsteps of the European explorers, such as Captain Cook (1769-70): first came sealers, whalers, missionaries, and traders. By 1838, the British New Zealand Company had begun buying land from the Maori tribes, and selling it to settlers, and, after the Treaty of Waitangi in 1840, many British families set out on the arduous six month journey from

Hope Settlers in New Zealand in the 19th Century

- Jane Hope, who arrived in Wellington, New Zealand aboard the ship "Midlothian" in 1859
- Orry H. Hope, who arrived in Wellington, New Zealand aboard the ship "Midlothian" in 1859
- Mr. Thomas Hope, Scottish settler travelling from Glasgow aboard the ship "Storm Cloud" arriving in Otago, South Island, New Zealand on 30th July 1861

- Mrs. Hope, Scottish settler travelling from Glasgow aboard the ship "Storm Cloud" arriving in Otago, South Island, New Zealand on 30th July 1861
- Miss Mary Hope, Scottish settler travelling from Glasgow aboard the ship "Sevilla" arriving in Bluff, Southland, South Island, New Zealand on 4th September 1864

Contemporary Notables of the name Hope (post 1700)

- Leslie Townes "Bob" Hope [KBE](#), [KCSG](#) (1903-2003), English-born, American entertainer who appeared in vaudeville, on Broadway, on radio and television, in movies, and in performing tours for U.S. Military, the "first and only honorary veteran of the U.S. armed forces," recipient of the [Presidential Medal of Freedom](#), eponym of the USNS Bob Hope
- Dolores Hope (1909-2011), American singer, entertainer, philanthropist, wife of the actor and comedian Bob Hope
- Dave Hope (b. 1949), American bass guitarist, best known for his work the American progressive rock band Kansas
- Hugh Hope, American Republican politician, Delegate to Republican National Convention from Kansas, 1948
- Mrs. Herbert Hope, American Democrat politician, Alternate Delegate to Democratic National Convention from Oklahoma, 1956
- Grover H. Hope, American Democrat politician, Postmaster at Frederick, Oklahoma, 1935-43
- Edson S. Hope, American Democrat politician, Alternate Delegate to Democratic National Convention from Vermont, 1940
- Clifford Ragsdale Hope (1893-1970), American Republican politician, Lawyer
- Carl N. Hope, American Democrat politician, Delegate to Democratic National Convention from Arkansas, 1956 (alternate), 1960
- C. C. Hope, American Democrat politician, Alternate Delegate to Democratic National Convention from North Carolina, 1964

For additional reading please visit: [Hope History, Family Crest & Coats of Arms](#)

Postscript

We sincerely hope you will make this newsletter your own by contributing items relating to Hopes, Scots, history of either, genealogy or other related subjects. Please help us share our Hope and Scottish information among clan members and friends. We will accept anything that is in the public domain, original or cites origin. Submit anything you wish to have included in our newsletter to: newsletter@clanhope.org. We look forward to your contributions. Thanks in advance for sharing.