McKENZIE FAMILY

NB: The following is prepared from Falkland Islands Registers and files – there may be other family born outside the Falklands. Unless stated otherwise, all dated births, deaths and marriages occurred in the Falklands and all numbered graves are in Stanley Cemetery. Any variations which may occur in the spellings of names are recorded as written in the records at the time.

Alexander McKENZIE was born circa 1822 (not in the Falkland Islands). Alexander was married to Barbara ? (not in the Falkland Islands)

Alexander McKENZIE, shepherd, wife, two daughters and two sons, were sent by the *Guadiana* June 1878. Alexander was employed by the Falkland Islands Company Ltd in the Lafonia area as a successor to Charles Clay, the Lafonia superintendent. [FIC C1 – desp 526, 549] The family probably arrived in Stanley 5 August 1878 on the *Black Hawk* from Montevideo. Also on board were their adult sons, Kenneth and Donald.

Alexander finished working for the FIC 6 March 1885 and received a cash order of £22-9-0 for the balance of his account. The family returned to the UK 20 Apr 1885 in the *Totmes*. Mr & Mrs McKenzie, parents of Donald, were passengers on the *Luxor* leaving London 9 Jan 1886. [FIC C2 – desp 663, 664]

Alexander, age 72 and a Scottish shepherd, died 28 May 1894 at Seal Creek and was buried in Darwin Cemetery 1 June 1894. The informant was his son Alexander, shepherd at Walker Creek.

THE Rev. E. C. Aspinall left Stanley on May 30th for Darwin, to attend the funeral of Alexander McKenzie of Walker Creek. Leaving Stanley at 8 A.M. Darwin was reached at 9 P.M. Next morning he left at 7.30. with the cutter for Walker Creek and rode to Seal Cove where a short service was held, attended by many sympathisers with the stricken family. The coffin was then taken in a cart across to the cutter, which arrived in Darwin at 9.30. P.M. On Friday a most impressive funeral service was held in the service-room at which ninety seven were present the coffin was then carried to the centery and the body committed to the grave. Evening service was held at 7.30. P.M. at



LOVING MEMORY OF ALEXANDER McKENZIE WHO DIED AT SEAL COVE FALKLAND ISLANDS MAY 28TH 1894 AGED 72 YEARS HOW SWEET THE NAME OF JESUS SOUNDS IN A BELIEVER'S EARS IT SOOTHES HIS SORROWS AND DRIVES AWAY HIS FEAR

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Barbara, age 84 and a widow from Scotland, died 8 January 1910 and was buried at North Arm.



Children of Alexander and Barbara McKENZIE:

- 1. **John McKENZIE** born ? *(not in Falkland Islands).* Did not come to the Falkland Islands. John died October 1927 in Dunoon Hospital, Scotland.
- 2. Alexandrina McKENZIE born ? (not in Falkland Islands). Did not come to the Falkland Islands. Alexandrina was married to ? GUNN (not in Falkland Islands). In 1928 Alexandrina was living at 805 Garscube Road, Glasgow, Scotland and her brother left her £100 in his will.
- 3. Kenneth McKENZIE born circa 1858 in Scotland. Kenneth, age 20, came out with his family on the *Guadiana* June 1878. [FIC C1 desp 526] The family probably arrived in Stanley 5 August 1878 on the *Black Hawk* from Montevideo. Kenneth Worked for the FIC in the Lafonia area. Kenneth, age 26 and a shepherd from Scotland, died 18 May 1883 from an inflammation of the lungs. The service was held at Island Harbour and he was buried 21 May 1883 in Darwin Cemetery.



- 4. Donald McKENZIE born circa 1860 (not in Falkland Islands). Donald, age 18, came out with his family on the Guadiana June 1878. [FIC C1 desp 526] The family probably arrived in Stanley 5 August 1878 on the Black Hawk from Montevideo. Donald finished working for the FIC 6 March 1885 and received a cash order of £24-10-4 for the balance of his account. The family returned to the UK 20 Apr 1885 in the Totmes. Donald, a shepherd, was a passenger on the Selembria leaving London December 1885. Donald paid his own way out and was returning hoping to be reengaged by the FIC. [FIC C2 desp 663, 664, 665] Donald commenced working for the FIC in the Lafonia area 30 January 1886. In 1903 Donald became the assistant storekeeper at North Arm. Donald departed for Liverpool on board the Orita 21 August 1920. Donald died 28 april 1928 at his sister's house 805 Garscube Road, Glasgow, Scotland. He left £100 to his sister Alexandrina and the remainder of his estate to his brother Alexander.
- 5. Catherine McKENZIE born circa 1863 (not in Falkland Islands). Catherine, age 15, was sent with her family by the Guadiana June 1878. [FIC C1 desp 526] The family probably arrived in Stanley 5 August 1878 on the Black Hawk from Montevideo. Catherine, Scottish, was married to Roderick McBAIN, shepherd, Scottish and living at North West Arm, 13 June 1879 at Darwin according to the Presbyterian form after bands Rev A Yeoman Minister. The witnesses were Kenneth Mckenzie and Donald McKenzie. Roderick's father was recorded as Alexander McBain, tenant farmer, and Catherine's father was recorded as Alexander McKenzie, shepherd. Roderick had come out as a shepherd for the FIC, leaving London 9 June 1873 on board the Boyne. Roderick finished working for the FIC 17 July 1893. Catherine, Roderick and their 8 children departed 19 July 1893 for London on board the Denderah.
- 6. Alexander McKENZIE born 18 November 1866 in the Parish of Gairloch, Scotland. Alexander, age 13, was sent with his family by the *Guadiana* June 1878. [FIC C1 – desp 526] The family probably arrived in Stanley 5 August 1878 on the *Black Hawk* from Montevideo. Alexander finished working for the FIC 6 March 1885 and received a cash order of £15-0-1 for the balance of his account. Alexander, age 22 and brother of Donald was a passenger on the *Luxor* leaving 9 January 1886. The family

returned to the UK 20 Apr 1885 in the Totmes. [FIC C2 - desp 664] Alexander commenced working for the FIC in the Lafonia area 29 October 1886. Alexander, age 28 and a shepherd living at Walker Creek, Lafonia, was married to Margaret **BETHUNE** 12 September 1894 in the house of Mr Johnson, Stanley according to the rites and ceremonies of the Nonconformist Church by Governor's Licence by Ernest C Murphy, Baptist Minister. The witnesses were Emily A Gill and Malcolm McKenzie. Alexander's father was recorded as Alexander McKenzie, shepherd, and Margaret's father was recorded as William Bethune, shepherd. Alexander finished working for the FIC 20 April 1905. Margaret, Alexander and their three children left the Falkland Islands bound for Canada 25 April 1905 on board the Oruba which was bound for Liverpool. [CM May 1905] They arrived in Stanley from Liverpool on board the Orcoma 23 September 1908. ICM Oct 1908) Margaret and Alexander travelled to Liverpool. England 1 April 1924 on the Oriana as Margaret required surgical aid. They returned from Liverpool 5 November 1924 on board the Oropesa. Alexander, age 86 and a retired shepherd from Scotland, died 6 March 1951 and was buried 10 March 1951 in Grave 1450. Margaret, age 86 and from Scotland, died 3 June 1958 in Stanley and is buried in Grave Q1613

- 7. Malcolm McKENZIE born circa 1867 (not in Falkland Islands). Malcolm, age 11, was sent with his family by the Guadiana June 1878. [FIC C1 - desp 526] The family probably arrived in Stanley 5 August 1878 on the Black Hawk from Montevideo. Malcolm finished working for the FIC 6 March 1885 and received a cash order of £17-0-0 for the balance of his account. The family returned to the UK 20 Apr 1885 in the *Totmes*. Malcolm, age 20 and brother of Donald was a passenger on the Luxor leaving London 9 January 1886. [FIC C2 - desp 664] Malcolm, age 32, shepherd of Seal Cove, Walker Creek, was married to Isabella BETHUNE, age 23 (sister of Margaret) 12 May 1899 in the house of Mr W Peck (in Stanley) according to the Rites & Ceremonies of the Established Church by Licence by Edwin Coupland Aspinall Canon of Christ Church & Camp Chaplain. The witnesses were Richard Daniel Atkins and Margaret Alice Bonner. Malcolm's father was recorded as Alexander McKenzie, shepherd, and Isabella's father was recorded as William Bethune, shepherd. Isabella, Malcolm and their daughter left the Falkland Islands 25 April 1905 bound for Canada on board the Oruba (bound for Liverpool). [CM May 1905] Isabella died in Inverness, Scotland 2 July 1906. [FIC Archives: Bookkeeper, Darwin to Stanley 1916; FIM Sep 1906]
- 8. Barbara McKENZIE born circa 1871 (not in Falkland Islands). Barbara, age 7, was sent with her family by the Guadiana June 1878. [FIC C1 desp 526] The family probably arrived in Stanley 5 August 1878 on the Black Hawk from Montevideo. The family returned to the UK 20 Apr 1885 in the Totmes. Barbara, age 15 and the sister of Donald, returned as a passenger on the Luxor, leaving London 9 January 1886. [FIC C2 desp 663, 664] Barbara, age 17 and living in Stanley, was married to James Louis DESPREAUX, camp man living in Stanley, 21 July 1887 in the Service room according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Established Church after Banns by Lowther E Brandon MA Colonial Chaplain. The witnesses were John Peck and Albertina Hardy. Barbara signed with her X mark. James' father was recorded as James Despreaux, shepherd, and Barbara's father was recorded as Alexander McKenzie, shepherd. Barbara died June 1897 at Sandy Point. [CM Aug 1897]

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Children of Catherine (5) and Roderick McBAIN:

- 1. Christina McBAIN born 8 March 1880 at Danson Harbour. Her father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. Departed with her family 19 July 1893 for London on board the *Denderah*.
- 2. **Barbara McBAIN** born 28 May 1881 at Walker Creek. Her father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. Departed with her family 19 July 1893 for London on board the *Denderah*.
- 3. **Wilhelmina McBAIN** born 9 March 1883 at Walker Creek and baptised 8 April 1883 by the United Non-Conformist Church. Her father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. Departed with her family 19 July 1893 for London on board the *Denderah*.
- 4. Alexander McBAIN born 7 June 1884 at Walker Creek and baptised 20 July 1884 by the United Non-Conformist Church. His father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. Departed with his family 19 July 1893 for London on board the *Denderah*.
- 5. **Kenneth McBAIN** born 12 September 1885 at Walker Creek and baptised 11 October 1885 by the United Non-Conformist Church. His father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. Departed with his family 19 July 1893 for London on board the *Denderah*.
- 6. **Hector McBAIN** born 31 August 1887 at Walker Creek and baptised 27 November 1887 by the United Non-Conformist Church. His father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. Departed with his family 19 July 1893 for London on board the *Denderah*.
- 7. **Catherine McBAIN** born 2 October 1889 at Walker Creek and baptised 12 January 1890 by the United Non-Conformist Church. Her father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. Departed with her family 19 July 1893 for London on board the *Denderah*.
- 8. Jessie McBAIN born 31 August 1891 at Walker Creek. Her father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. Departed with her family 19 July 1893 for London on board the *Denderah.*

Children of Alexander (6) and Margaret McKENZIE:

- Barbara McKENZIE born 16 September 1895 at Walker Creek and baptised 7 December 1895 by Christ Church Cathedral. Her father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. Barbara was married to Donald McLEOD, farm labourer, 5 March 1926 at Darwin Harbour by Special Licence by Alex Moir JP. The witnesses were John McLeod and Isabella M McKenzie. Donald's father was recorded as Kenneth McLeod, fisherman, and Barbara's father was recorded as Alexander McKenzie, shepherd. Donald was born in Sealpay, Harris, Scotland, 7 August 1894. Barbara and Donald emigrated to the UK in 1959.
- Isabella Margaret McKENZIE born 6 September 1899 at Walker Creek and baptised 9 November 1899 by Christ Church Cathedral. Her father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. Isabella was married to George Edward BOWLES, divorced labourer, 22 June 1932 at the Registrar's Office, Stanley by Registrar General's Licence by G R

L Brown, Registrar General. The witnesses were Marion McLeod and W J Bowles. George's father was recorded as George John Bowles, storekeeper, and Isabella's father was recorded as Alexander McKenzie, retired shepherd. Isabella died 20 January 1960 in Stanley and is buried in Grave Q1657. George died 22 November 1966 in Stanley, age 78, and is buried in Grave T2071.

3. Alexander McKENZIE born 18 October 1902 at Walker Creek and baptised 7 December 1902 by Christ Church Cathedral. His father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. Alexander, a shepherd, was married to Ann PHILLIPS 27 August 1928 at Darwin Harbour by Dudley Richardson, Registrar. The witnesses were Isabella Margaret Mckenzie and William John Reive. Alexander's father was recorded as Alexander McKenzie, shepherd, and Ann's father was recorded as Albert James Phillips, shepherd. Alexander, age 49, died 22 January 1952 from post-operative shock and is buried in Grave 1472.

Ann was married to (2) **Sidney Markham GLEADELL**, widower and shepherd, 7 September 1954 at the Office of the Registrar General, Stanley by H Bennett, Registrar General. The witnesses were D McLeod and B McLeod. Sidney's father was recorded as Edwin Gleadell, deceased shepherd.

4. **William McKENZIE** born 28 November 1910 at Camilla Creek. His father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. William, age 41, died 18 December 1951 from septicaemia and a carbuncle of the neck and was buried 19 December 1941 in Grave 1470.

Children of Malcolm (7) and Isabella McKENZIE:

1. Wilhelmina McKENZIE born 9 June 1900 at Walker Creek and baptised 19 December 1900 by Christ Church Cathedral. Her father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. Left the Falkland Islands 25 April 1905 bound for Canada with her parents on board the *Oruba* for Liverpool. [CM May 1905] Wilhelmina died in the United Kingdom prior to 1916. [FIC Archives: Bookkeeper, Darwin to Stanley 1916]i

DESCENDANTS OF ALEXANDER & BARBARA STILL IN THE FALKLAND ISLANDS