

INNES OF THURSATER  
- Descended From Innes of Innermarkie -

- 11.1.Sir Robert 11th of Innes -----> see INNES OF INNES
- 12.1.Sir James 12th of Innes
- 12.2.Walter of Innermarkie -----> see INNES OF INNERMARKIE
- 13.1.Robert 2nd of Innermarkie
- 14.1.Robert of Monycabok
- 14.2.Alexander of Ardgrane
- 14.3.John of Edingight -----> see INNES OF EDINGIGHT
- 14.4.Walter vicar of Thurso 1554, d.s.p.
- 14.5.William of Thursater (see below)

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VERSION 1

This version is based on:

*Burke's Peerage, Baronetage and Knightage* 105th Edition 1970 pp.1423-28 with additions from *Anna Boswell's Journal* ed. Morton Herman, 1965.

- 14.5.William of Thursater m and d post 1594
- 15.1.**Robert** 2nd of Thursater m **Margaret Sinclair** d ante 1611 *Burkes PB1970*
- 16.1.**John** 3rd of Thursater m **Isobel Innes** of Blackhills *Burkes PB1970*
- 17.1.**Robert** 4th of Thursater m 1628 **Margaret Sinclair** *Burkes PB1970*
- 18.1.James 5<sup>th</sup> of Thursater m **Barbara Murray** *Burkes PB1970*
- 19.1.**Robert** 6th of Thursater (sold 1693) m **Mary Furness** d.s.p. before 1694  
*Burkes PB1970*
- 19.2.**James** in Thrumster m daughter of James **Calder** *Burkes PB1970*
- 20.1.**William** in Oliclete b.1711 m **Janet Sinclair** *Burkes PB1970*
- 21.1.**James** of Thrumster, Caithness, 1752-1832 m **Margaret Clunes** *Burkes PB1970 ; Anna Boswell 169*
- 22.1.William b 1791 killed at Badajos [1812] *Burkes PB1970*
- 22.2.Gordon Clunes b.1792 killed at Salamanca [1811?] *Burkes PB1970*
- 22.3.John Clunes 1793-1814 unmarried *Burkes PB1970 ; Anna Boswell 169*
- 22.4.**Robert** 2nd of Thrumster 1794-1852 m **Henrietta Southdun**  
[Wemyss per *Anna Boswell* ] d.s.p.m. *Burkes PB1970*
- 23.1.**Henrietta** 3rd of Thrumster 1837-1896 m **Frederick Stocks Bentley-Innes**  
had three sons *Burkes PB1970*
- 22.5.**James** 1796-1846 [doctor per *Anna Boswell* ] m **Jane Alicia McLeod** *Burkes PB1970*
- 23.1.**James** John McLeod 1830-1907 [V.C., R.E. per *Anna Boswell* ] m **Lucy Jane Macpherson** *Burkes PB1970*
- 24.1.James Edgeworth 1859-1881 *Burkes PB1970*
- 24.2.**Hugh** McLeod 1862-1944 m 1894 **Margaret Bird** *Burkes PB1970*
- 25.1.Patrick McLeod b 1897 *Burkes PB1970*
- 25.2.Donald McLeod b 1899 *Burkes PB1970*
- 25.1.**Christina** McLeod b.1902 m **Frank Vigor Morley** *Burkes PB1970*

- 24.3. **Arthur** Donald 1863 m **Helen Pittis** *Burkes PB1970*  
 25.1. **Neil** McLeod representative of Innes of Thursater b.1903 m **Nancy Audrey**
- 23.2. Henrietta Georgina b 1832  
 23.3. Margaret Clunes b 1833, d 9 May 1861 at Edinburgh BMD D 1861  
 23.4. Elinor C P b 1835  
 23.5. Margaret Clunes *Anna Boswell*
- 22.6. **Archibald** Clunes [Major] of Lake Innes N.S.W. Australia 1799-1857 to Australia 1823; Commandant in Port MacQuarrie 1826 m 1829 **Margaret Macleay**<sup>1</sup> *Burkes PB1970* ; *Anna Boswell* p.169
- 23.1. Gustavus Archibald Clunes 1838-1880 *Burkes PB1970*  
 24.1. George Archibald Clunes b.1870 d.19-- m 1900 Agnes Mary Gowthorpe  
 25.1. **Charles** McLeod b.1902 m **Elspeth Anne Bilbe** *Burkes PB1970*  
 25.1 **Enid** Emily b.1904 m **Donald James Mackay** *Burkes PB1970*  
 24.2. Colridge Clunes 1877-1889 *Burkes PB1970*  
 24.1. **Lilian** McLeod 1872-1942 m **Frank A. Sweetnam** *Burkes PB1970*  
 25.1. **Reginald** Innes b.1894 m (1) ? (2) **Joan Finlay**  
 24.2. **Vivienne** Mary Floribel b.1875 m **E. Hutton** *Burkes PB1970*
- 22.7. **George** of Capita N.S.W. Australia b.1802 m **Lorna Campbell** d 1839 at Lake Innes *Burkes PB1970* ; *Anna Boswell* p.169
- 23.1. **Annabella** Alexandria Campbell [1st Innes b in Australia] m **Patrick Charles Douglas-Boswell** of Garallam  
 23.2. **Margaret** Clunes m **Hugh Campbell** [c 1829 - *Anna Boswell* ]  
 d.s.p.1908 *Burkes PB1970*
- 22.8. Peter of Petershof, Simia 1804-1871 unmarried *Burkes PB1970*  
 22.9. Hugh Clunes 1806-1825 unmarried [d consumption - *Anna Boswell* ] *Burkes PB1970* ; *Anna Boswell* p.169
- 22.1. Ann Gordon b.1797 [d Thrumster 1883 age 68 (b 1815?) - *Anna Boswell* ]  
*Burkes PB1970* ; *Anna Boswell* p.169
- 22.2. Jane Sinclair 1805-1874 [d Bletchingley, Surrey buried Godstone - *Anna Boswell* ]  
*Burkes PB1970*
- 22.3. **Barbara** Sinclair 1808-1806 (sic) m Sir **George Macleay** of Pirdell [Pendell - *Anna Boswell* ] Court, Redhill Surr [buried Godstone - *Anna Boswell* ] *Burkes PB1970* ; *Anna Boswell* p.169
- 22.4. Margaret d young *Anna Boswell* p.169
- 22.5. **Williamina** 1812-1861 m **James Grigg** [Greg of Tours, France - *Anna Boswell* ]  
*Burkes PB1970* [had three sons and three daughters *Anna Boswell* p.169]
- 22.6. Gordina 1814-1832 unmarried *Burkes PB1970*
- 21.2. John b.1755 killed at Salamanca [1811?] *Burkes PB1970*  
 22.1. William 1806-1872 *Burkes PB1970*  
 22.2. Andrew Liddell 1808-1895 unmarried *Burkes PB1970*
- 21.3. Peter in Tannach by Wick, Caithness 1756-1822 *Burkes PB1970*  
 22.1. **Robert** of Hayfield in Odrig b.1804 m (1) **Margaret Calder** *Burkes PB1970*
- 23.1. **Peter** of Coldbrook, Kings, Nova Scotia b.1840 m **Mary Logan Guild** d.1919  
 24.1. **Robert** b 1891 m **Charlotte Lloyd Heming** *Burkes PB1970*  
 25.1. **Charles** Heming b 1915 m **Gladys Rockwell** *Burkes PB1970*  
 25.1. **Frances** Mary m **James Thomas** *Burkes PB1970*  
 25.2. **Charlotte** Elizabeth. m **William Young**  
 25.3. **Margaret** Joan m **Douglas Comrie**
- 24.1. Mary Isobel b.1889 m 1912 Charles B. Lowe - two sons

- 23.2. James 1842-1870 m in New Zealand
  - 24.1 daughter
- 21.1 **Robert** m (2) **Margaret Macdonald**
  - 23.1. **Isobel** m **John Coghill** Burkes PB 1970
- 21.4. George of Madras 1763-1806 d.s.p.l.
- 21.5. William 1771-1806 d.s.p.
- 19.3. **William W.S.** m **Janet Cunningham** d.s.p. 1746
- 19.4. George
  - 20.1. James in Tannach
    - 21.1. Alexander b. 1726
  - 19.2. Patrick in Tannach m (1) ?
    - 20.1. George b. 1747
  - 20.2 **Patrick** in Tannach m (2) **Elizabeth Bremner**
    - 21.2. **James** in Reay Inn ca 1754-1795 m **Margaret Mackay**
      - 22.1. Donald b. 1783
      - 22.2. James 1785-1853
    - 22.3. **William** 1786-1873 m **Elizabeth Mackay**
      - 23.1. **William** grazier at Mansfield Victoria Aust. b. 1833 m **Jessie Mackintosh**, Culloden
        - 24.1. William James 1863-1924 unmarried
        - 24.2. **Duncan** 1865-1951 m **Alicia Thomson** of Corowa
          - 25.1. William John b. 1907
          - 25.2. **Duncan** b. 1909 m **Ruby Martyr**
            - 25.1. Dorothy Ellen b. 1911
            - 25.2. **Phyllis Bessie** b. 1913 m **Oldrick Studenick**
        - 24.3. **Joseph** Percy b 1867 m **Jean Cartwright**
          - 25.1. **Keith** m **Ierna Lillyman**
            - 25.1. daughter m Wm William Johnston of Nowema, New Caledonia
          - 24.4. **Peter** b 1868 m **Alice Edith Trethowan**
          - 24.5. **Donald** b. 1872 m **Ada Grenell** - issue
            - 24.1. **Bessie** 1870 m **J.F. Burgess** d.s.p.
            - 24.2. **Jessie** 1876
        - 23.2. **James** 1838-1904 m **Isobel Mackintosh** of Culloden
          - 24.1. William 1871-1891 unmarried
          - 24.2. **Duncan** 1873 m **Martha Lye**
            - 25.1. **Douglas** b. 1914 m **Millicent Ausborne**
            - 25.1. **Maurie** b. 1909 m **Kenelm Knox**
            - 25.2. Frances b. 1911
        - 24.3. **James** b 1876 m **Katherine McKinnon**
          - 25.1. **Hugh** Mackinnon b. 1909 m **Jessie Ammerman**
          - 25.2. James Mackintosh b 1911 unmarried
          - 25.3. **Richard** Thomas b. 1915 m **Rita Cooper**
        - 24.4. Peter John 1880-1882
        - 24.5. **Donald** Joseph b. 1882 m **Katherine Daly**
          - 25.1. **Joan** Elizabeth m **Philip John Walker North**
        - 24.6. **Alexander** Adam b. 1886 m **Winifred Finn**
          - 25.1. **Gordon** James m **Laurel O'Bryne**
            - 25.1. **Joan** Margaret m **Noel Johnson** - three sons and three daughters
            - 25.2. **Helen** m **Jim Hancock** - two daughters
        - 24.7. Peter John b 188 ?

- 24.8. **Thomas** Mackay b 1887 m **Agatha Davidson**
- 24.9. **Richard** b 1889 m **Ethel Jones**
- 24.1. Elizabeth Ann 1857-1962
- 24.2. **Jessie** Margaret b 1879 m **Percy Henry Bratt**
- 23.3. **Peter** of Orblieston, Moray b 1842 m (1) **Margaret Agnes Tucker** (2) **Mary Birnie** Davidson
- 24.1. **Patrick** Donald Davidson b 1905 m **Alexandrina Mark**
- 23.4. **John** 1844-1896 m **Mary Finlayson Laing**
- 24.1. **William** b 1885 m **Margaret Wright Boyd**
- 25.1. Donald b.1916
- 25.1. **Margaret** b.1915 m **David Harrington** - issue
- 25.2. Betty Jane
- 24.2. Alexander
- 24.3. **Donald** m **Mary Macdonald** - one daughter
- 24.4. Joseph Adam b 1894 unmarried
- 24.1. **Mary** m **Walter Gibb** - issue
- 24.2. Elizabeth of Isauld
- 23.5. Donald of Isauld, Caithness b 1846 unmarried
- 23.6. Joseph Adam m Agnes ?
- 24.1. Annie Bessie d young
- 24.2. **Alicia** m Rev. **John Franks** and d.s.p.
- 23.1. **Anne** m **Robson Mackay**
- 24.1. **Bessie** m Dr. **Maclennan** of Nairn
- 23.2. Margaret b.1835 drowned in childhood
- 22.4. Patrick 1770-1822
- 22.1. Elizabeth b 1788 d young
- 22.2. Elizabeth b 1792
- 22.3. **Jean** 1794-1802 m **George Innes** in Brabster - issue
- 22.4. **Margaret** ca 1803-1826 m **Adam Sutherland**
- 22.5. **Mary** m **Colin Sinclair** - issue
- 19.5. John, had a natural daughter Margaret b.1687
- 19.1. **Margaret** m **William Sinclair** of Thursater 1681
- 19.2. **Elizabeth** m **Laurence Calder** of Lynger
- 19.3. **Janet** m **John Swanson** merchant in Thurso

Sources:

*Burkes PB1970*     *Burke's Peerage, Baronetage and Knightage* 1970 pp.1423-28  
 Anna Boswell     *Anna Boswell's Journal*, edited by Morton Herman, 1965.

VERSION 2

This version is based on *Caithness Family History*, John Henderson, Edinburgh 1884.

- 14.4. Maister Walter Innes of Thursater, vicar of Thurso, also a lease of lands in Brims, adjoining Thursater
- 14.5. William Innes of Thursater and portioner of Brims, bailie to Bishop of Caithness (see below)
- 15.1. **Robert** d before his father m **Margaret Sinclair** granddaughter of George 4th Earl of Caithness.

- 16.1. **John m Isobel Innes**
  - 17.1. Robert, fiar of Thursater
  - 18.1. **James** his successor m (2) 1656 **Barbara Murray** d/o John Murray of Pennyland
  - 19.1. Robert his successor disposition from father James in 1665
  - 20.1. James younger of Thursater in 1668, elder in kirk 1666-7
  - 21.1. James "grandson of Robert Innes" infeft 1684 (see below)
  - 22.1. Robert signed disposition of Thursater and Easter Brims to John Sinclair of Brims 1705
  - 20.2. William
  - 19.2. John surgeon in Edinburgh in 1683
  - 19.3. **Margaret m William Sinclair** of Thrumster, son of John, older of Brims and grandson of John Sincliar of Ulbster
- 18.2. Janet
- 17.2. William
- 17.3. Walter
- 16.2. **Robert** of Oust in 1633 m **Elizabeth Sinclair** d before 1671
  - 17.1. **George** of Oust m **Katharine Sinclair** d/o Alexander Sinclair of Forss
  - 17.2. **John** of Oust (fl.1677-1682) m **Anna Sutherland** d/o William Sutherland of Langwell
    - 18.1. John, to whom his uncle James Sutherland of Langwell was tutor
    - 18.1. **Marion** m May 1703 **John Calder**, eldest son of Robert Calder in Winless with consent of her mother who was then wife of Alexander Calder of Achingale.
  - 17.1. **Jean** m **Thomas Gunn** or Rorieson in Thurdistoft
  - 17.2. **Margaret** m **James Innes** of Borrowstoun
  - 17.3. **Janet** m **John Forbes** in Achscrabster 1674
- 16.3. George of Skaill
  - 17.1. **Walter** of Skaill m **Katharine Sinclair** d/o Sir James Sinclair of Murkle
    - 18.1. John younger of Skaill in criminal letters 1668 against gentlemen of Caithness for raid into Strathmore
    - 18.2. Walter
    - 18.3. **Mary** m **Angus McKay** of Golval, Strathnaver
- 16.4. **Alexander** of Borrowstoun m **Margaret Miller**
  - 17.1. **James** of Borrowstoun m cousin **Margaret Innes** d/o Robert Innes of Oust
    - 18.1. **Elizabeth** m **Henry Budge** s/o Robert Budge in Stainland
- 16.5. James in Watten

21.1 James Innes of Thursater grandson of Robert Innes infeft in 1684 on precept of clare constat. Presumably son of James younger of Thursater in 1668, and afterwards of Thursater  
 Source: Inneses of Thrumster, Oliclate and Borrowston areas by Fiona Sinclair

- 14.5 William of Thursater, baillie of Bishopric of Caithness ca late 1550's
  - 15.1. **Robert** of Thursater, Archdeacon of Caithness, m **Margaret Sinclair**, granddaughter of 4 th Earl of Caithness [d ante 1611 - Burkes PB 1970 ]
  - 16.1. **John** of Thursater m **Isobel Innes**, d/o William Innes of Blackhills c 1600
    - 17.1. **Robert** of Thursater m **Margaret Sinclair**, d/o John Sinclair of Scrabster 11 Jul 1628<sup>1</sup>
    - 18.1. **James** of Thursater d ca 1693 m **Barbara Murray**

- 19.1. **Robert** of Thursater sold estate in 1693, m **Mary Furness** 7 Mar 1685
- 19.2. **James** m d/o James **Calder** of Strath and moved to Oliclate
- 19.1. Agnes bap 29 Sep 1647 ( Inneses of Caithness )

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VERSION 3

This version is based on *Innes of Thrumster, Oliclate and Borrowston*, Fiona Sinclair 2003

- 7.1 **William** b Oliclate 16 Sep 1711 m 1750 **Jean Sinclair** (or Janet or Joane) who d 1818. They had seven children OPR Wick
- 8.1 **James** b 10 Apr 1752, 94th Regiment m 28 Apr 1790 **Margaret Clunes** (b 1771 d 16 Sep 1841. resided Freswick in Canisbay, widow in 1841 age 70)
  - 9.1 William b 1791
  - 9.2 Gordon b 1792
  - 9.3 John Clunes b 1792
  - 9.4 **Robert** b 1794 Ensign 49th Regiment of Foot bought Thrumster estate with father, sold in 1840s. In 1836 Robert Innes of Thrumster m **Henrietta Sinclair** of Hempriggs, youngest d/o late William Sinclair of Southduns 10.1 Henrieta (1841 census age 4)
  - 9.5 James b 1796
  - 9.6 Gordon b 1797(1841 census age 35) Major, became Tacksman of Keiss, eight children registered OPR Wick in 1812
  - 9.7 **Archibald** Clunes b 1799 in Peninsular War 1812, in Ireland, became Major and sent to NSW Australia 1833 as Overseer of convict ship 'Eliza' m **Margaret Macleay** d/o of Colonial Secretary for NSW. One of richest colonists in 1830s but lost it all in '40s d 1857 in Newcastle NSW
  - 9.8 George b 1802 joined brother Archibald in NSW in 1830s m Georgina ?
    - 10.1 Annabella b Yarrows near Oliclate lived with Uncle Archibald at Lake Innes near Port Macquarie. Wrote "Annabella Boswell's Journal"
    - 10.2 Margaret b Yarrows, near Oliclate
  - 9.9 Peter b 1804
  - 9.10 Hugh Clunes b 1806
    - 9.1 Jean/Jane Sinclair b 1805(1841census age 30)
    - 9.2 **Barbara** St. Clair b 1808, joined brother Archibald in NSW, later m **George Maclay**
    - 9.3 Margaret b 1810
    - 9.4 **Williamina** b 1812 m 1832 **James Gregg**, Sheriff Subsitute of Caithness
    - 9.5 Gordina b 1814
- 8.2 **John** (twin) b 20 Dec 1755, also Major in 94th Regiment, m **Margaret Liddell**, killed in battle of Salamanca in 1812
  - 9.1 William
  - 9.ii. Andrew
- 8.3 **Peter** (twin)b 20 Dec 1755, Captain in 79th Regiment became Tacksman of Tannach m 1822 m **Magdalen Manson**
  - 9.1 Robert b 1804
  - 9.2 **Anne** b 1808 m 1832 **James McBeath** at Tannach
  - 9.3 Margaret 1822
- 8.4. George b 9 Apr 1763, made fortune in Madras, returned with tropical disease and dsp 1806, leaving fortune to brother James to buy the Thrumster estate
- 8.5. William b 12 Sep 1771 dsp 1806
- 8.6 Robert (or perhaps nephew)
  - 9.? **Kate** m 16 Jul 1790 at Oliclate to **Aeneas Gunn**

- 10.?. Rev. Peter Gunn emigrated to Australia
- 11.? Aeneas Innes born & m Australia - immortalised as “the Maluke” in novel “We of the Never Never”
- 8.1 **Barbara** b 12 Aug 1760 m **Benjamin Manson** resided Brabster in Bower
  - 9.1 David b 1791
  - 9.1 Janet b 1783
  - 9.2 Jean b 1798 m cousin James Donaldson
- 8.2 Mary b 24 Jun 1765 m Robert Donaldson of Borrowston 27 Feb 1787
  - 9.1 John Donaldson b 1788
  - 9.2 James Donaldson b 1791 m 7 Jun 1816 to cousin Jean Manson, Innkeeper at Borrowston - eleven children
    - 10.1. Henrieta b 1840
  - 9.3 William Donaldson b 1793
  - 9.4 George Donaldson b 1801
  - 9.5 Robert Donaldson b 1806
  - 9.1 Jean Donaldson b 1795
  - 9.2 Margaret Donaldson b 1797
  - 9.3 Helen Sinclair Donaldson b 1799
  - 9.4 Mary Donaldson b 1804
  - 9.5 Elisabeth
- 8.3 **Marjory** (or May) birth not registered, m 14 Feb 1777 **Alexander Sinclair** of Borrowston - eleven children in Borrowston. births not registered but marriage and births of Jean, Margaret Peter and Marry witnessed by William Innes or some of his sons.
  - 9.1 John Sinclair b 1780 [m Margaret Donaldson ancestor of Mary Clark through son William Innes Sinclair and ancestor of Fiona SINCLAIR through son George Innes Sinclair]
  - 9.2 Peter Sinclair b 1786
  - 9.3 Alexander Sinclair b 1788
  - 9.4 Donald Sinclair b 1792
  - 9.5 George Sinclair b 1794
  - 9.6 James Sinclair b 1796
  - 9.7 William Sinclair b 1805
  - 9.1 Jean Sinclair b 1779
  - 9.2 Margaret Sinclair b 1782
  - 9.3 Marry Sinclair b 1790
  - 9.4 Mary Sinclair b 1798

Sources:

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