

TWEEDSMUIR HISTORY



COWAL BRANCH
WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

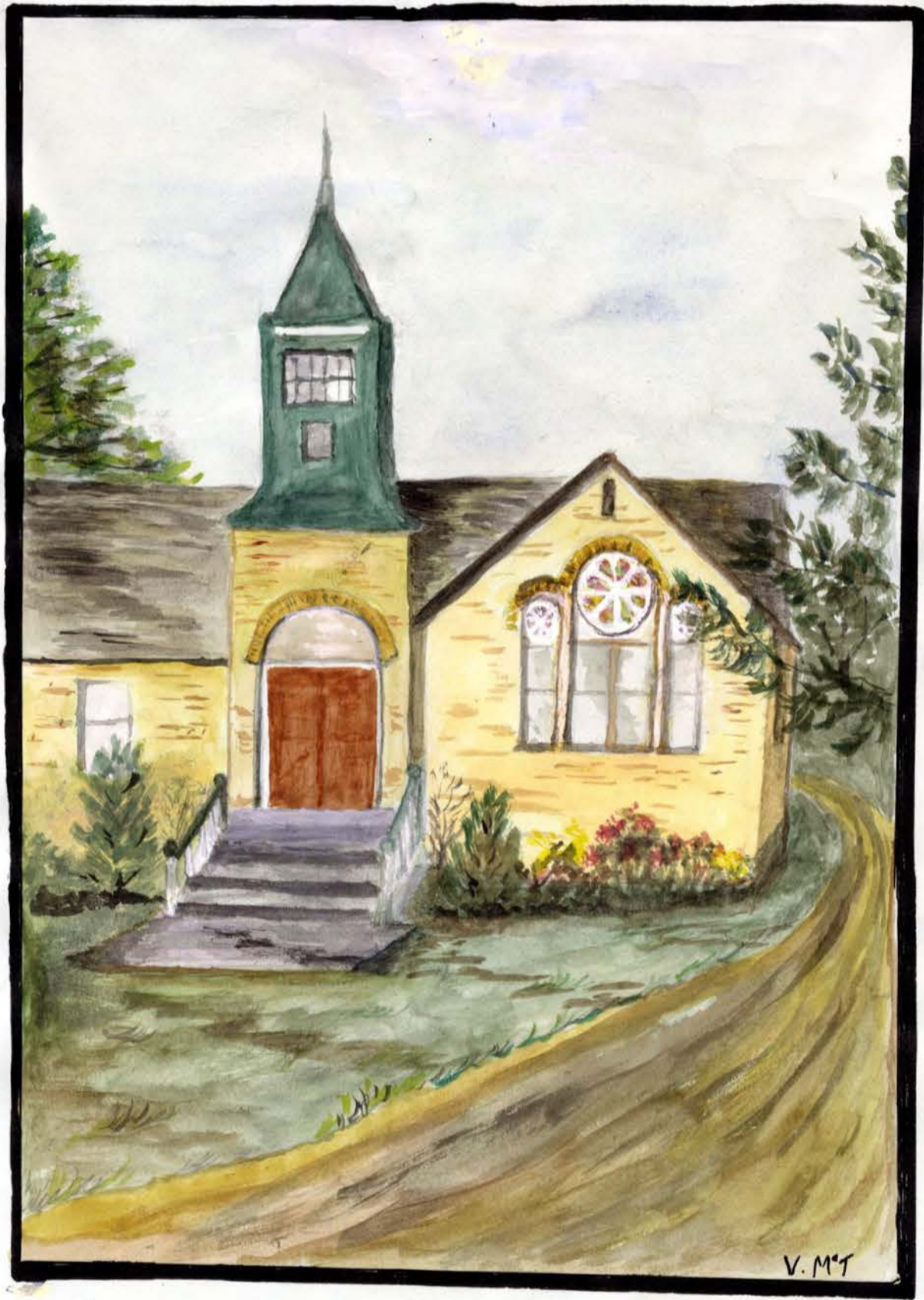
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COWAL COMMUNITY

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DEDICATION

This book is dedicated to the
descendants of the pioneers who
settled in the Community of
Cowal.

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FOREWORD

As men were dreaming of landing on the moon, as mechanization was replacing human labour, as the world was becoming smaller because of sophisticated communication systems and jet air travel, suddenly we realized that we must not always focus on the future, rather look back occasionally to appreciate what legacies our ancestors had given us.

With the urgings of Lady Tweedsmuir to have all rural histories recorded, Cowal Women's Institute decided, after several years discussion, that this mammoth task should be undertaken. In 1965 and 66 a great many families responded to the request to record their family history.

Then the enthusiasm died down and not too much was done until it was decided to do an update in 1983. Today only a handful of family histories are not recorded. The book has more than doubled in size and now, through the Bicentennial grant, we are publishing this history of Cowal.

Without the assistance of the members of the community this would not have been possible and we extend our appreciation for the support and dedication we have received.

There may be a few inaccuracies, but we have printed the information as received, realizing that no two accounts are repeated the same way twice.

Through the publication of this history we hope the spirit of our small Scottish community will remain for generations to come and that we will always be proud to call Cowal "home".

Mrs. R.D. (Marion) Campbell,
Mrs. Donald A. (Yvonne) McCallum.

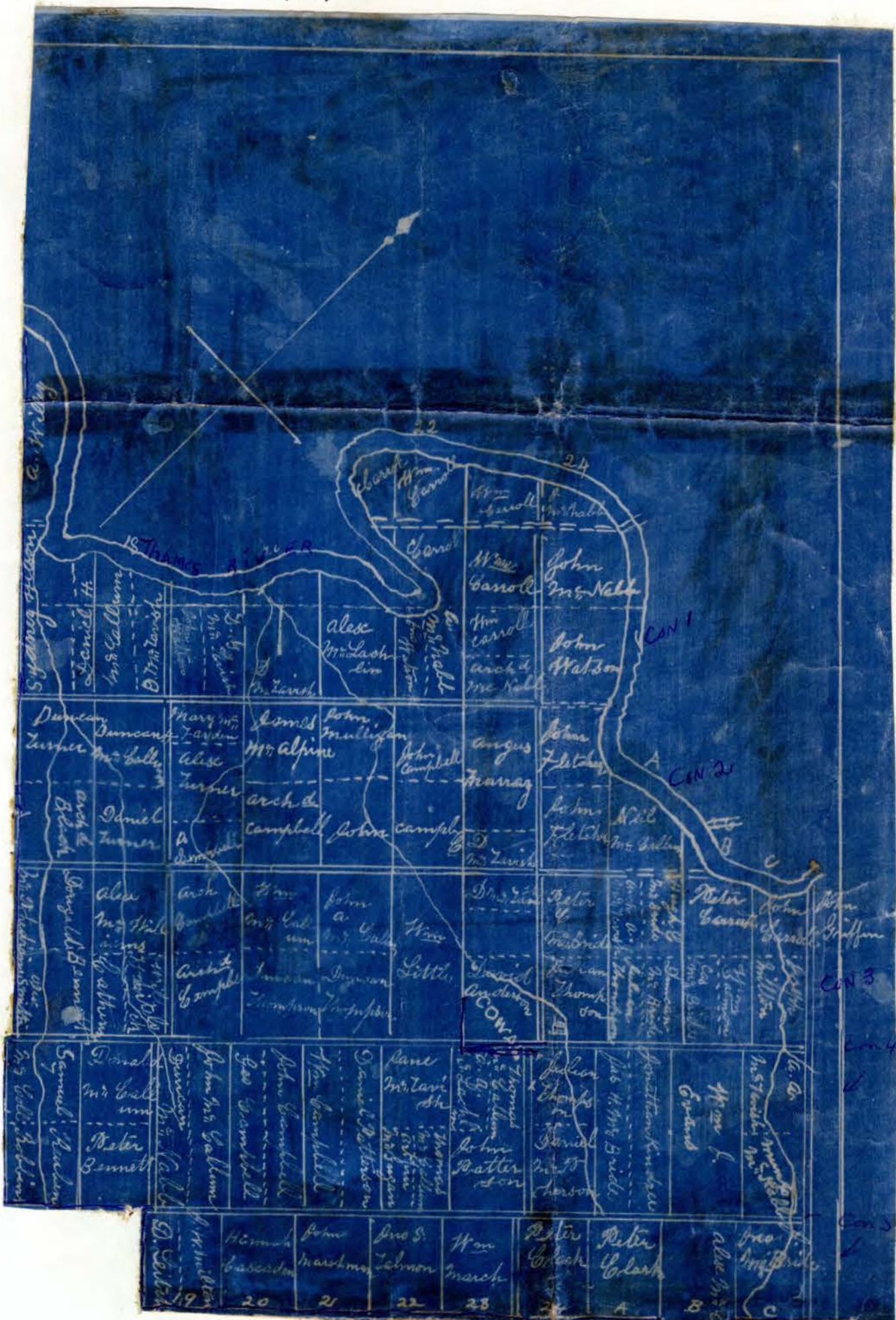
Tweedsmuir History Curators.
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1860

Archie MacGeachie Willey		John Duncanson	non residential	Archie Duncanson	non residential	McWilliam A.	non residential	M. Brodie	non residential	Alex. McLachlin	John Campbell	Archie McNabb		
		non residential						non residential		non residential	McBeth M.P.P.	Peter McNabb		
MacGeachie	Patton	Archie Black	Doug Duncanson	Neil McWilliam	Neil McFayden	Wm	Wood McPherson	James Graham	Alex. Campbell	Angus	Hugh Fletcher			
	John Patton	Duncan Black	John McPhail	non residential	Graham	non residential	Peter Graham	Dougald Campbell	Murray	Robert Fletcher	McFarlane Hamilton			
3rd Concession					3rd Concession									
Duncan McArthur	non residential	John McPhail	McPhedran	Andrew Weldon	Andrew Weldon	Sideroad	Hector McNeil	Crosson	Archie McTavish	Cowal Sideroad	Archie McTavish	John McFarlane	Hamilton	
Neil McWilliam		McPhedran					Robert Thompson		E. Anderson		McBrides	D R McBride Gillies	Wm. Salmon	Joseph Milton
4th Concession					4th Concession									
Thomas McCall	non residential	Thomas McCall	Angus McCallum	Dave Bennett	McLachlin	McLachlin	D. J. Campbell	Malcolm McIntyre	Donald McIntyre	Archie Thompson	Cowal	non residential	Peter Mary McBride Gillies	John McTavish
									Archie McGugan	John Patterson	McPherson	McBride	John McCallum	
Leitch				Milton	Cascaden	Marshman	Tolman	March	Andrew McFarlane	Dougald Clarke	George McCallum	R. McBride		

1907



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1983

Conc. 1

Carroll-Hunter

Robert Patterson

Daniel McLellan

Hugh McCallum

Duncan McTavish

Duncan McTavish

Duncan McTavish

Belldoon

Belldoon

Byron Murray

o = oilfield

C = Cowal-McBride Cemetery

+ = Chalmers United Church

H = Cowal Hall

THAMES RIVER

Donald McCallum

Ivan McCallum

Daniel McCallum

Daniel McCallum

Kenneth Campbell

Ron Campbell

Jack Murray

Belldoon

Robert Murray

Belldoon

Donald A. McCallum

Clarence, Ivan, Donald McCallum

Michael Dietrich

Kenneth Campbell
Donald Campbell

Ronald Campbell

Belldoon

Belldoon

Robert Murray
Belldoon

Mary McCallum

Bud Cummings

John Peter

M. Harries

Concession 3 or County Road 9

Ivan McCallum

Clarence McCallum

Betty McMillan

Clarence, Ivan, Donald McCallum

Donald Campbell

Ronald Campbell

Angus Campbell

Little

Donald & Michael Campbell

Russell Campbell

Russell Campbell

James Reeves

M. Harries

Jamey Campbell

David Clarke

Wm. White-lock

Jamey Campbell

50a. 50a. Keith Campbell

Little

Russell Campbell

Dunc. McTavish

Gordon Campbell

Phil Campbell

Brown Miller
I. L. MacAdam

Concession 4

Laura Campbell

James C. Campbell

Belldoon

Jamey Campbell (McNabb Farm)

David Murray

Archie T. Campbell

Gordon Campbell

John Campbell

Stuart Patterson

Horace Guest

Yvonne McCallum

Stan Campbell

Honoree Vanoverbeke

Clarence Campbell

Daniel McCallum

Mary Irvine

Keith Campbell

Leitch

Leitch

Stu. Patterson

Lloyd McCallum

Malcolm McPherson

Honoree Vanoverbeke

Daniel McCallum

Paul McCallum

Concession 5

Leitch

Schultz

Archie T. Campbell

Grant Campbell

James Goodhue

Honoree Vanoverbeke

Goodhue

Gordon Campbell

Neil McCallum

Neil & Muriel McCallum

David McCallum

Darwin Town line



1925

THE ORGANIZERS OF COWAL WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

These ladies took a course in Bread Making at Reuben Adams' house on the north-east corner of the Cowal Sideroad and the 4th concession. During the sessions they decided to join the Women's Institute of Ontario.

Back Row Margaret Little, Alda (McCallum) Campbell, rest unknown.
Second Row Anna (McTavish) Campbell, Lena Whitelock, Marion (McNabb) Campbell, Margaret (Patterson) McCallum, holding Kenneth Campbell, Course Instructor, Elma (Paton) Webster, Mary H. (McPhail) Campbell, Mrs. John (Agnes Crawford) McCallum.
Front Row Gladys McCallum, Amy (McCallum) Smith, Ina (McCallum) Hudson, Eva (Stacey) McCallum, Ada (Kindree) Anderson.
 (two children unknown.)

The organizational meeting of Cowal Women's Institute was held in Cowal Hall on
May 5, 1925.