

The Bounty Ships Scheme to Australia

British King

The *British King* (William Paton, Master; Alexander Arbuckle, Surgeon) sailed from Tobermory on 28th October and arrived in Sydney on 28th February 1839. It embarked 252 adult and 74 child passengers. During the voyage 6 children were born, and 1 adult and 9 children died. **For accounts of the voyage, transcript of the Captain's Log, and transcripts of newspaper reports on arrival in Sydney, [click here](#).**

Passengers from Tiree or Coll on the *British King*

[from transcriptions by Irene Kerr, Anne Maye, Brian Wills-Johnson & Joe Moore]

[Family groups are colour-shaded]

Native Place	Surname	Given name	Age	Marital status	Occupation	R&W	Engaged by	Wages	Passenger List Notes & [Researcher's Comments]	Refs
Tiree	Campbell	Helen	49	W		Yes	Capt. McLean, Lane Cove		Daughter of Archibald Campbell & Anne McColl; widow of Duncan Campbell, tacksman of The Reef, who died c.1835 [<i>drowned in boat accident?</i>]	
Tiree	Campbell	Grace	24	U		Yes			Married (1) 1845 Alexander Holmes, (2) 1862 Joseph Ambler, died 1889	
Tiree	Campbell	Jessie	23	U		Yes			Married 1843 Archibald Lamont, merchant	
Tiree	Campbell	John	21	U	Farmer	Yes			Went to Victoria & set up a farm at Sale, married 1849 Susan Jane Graham McNaughton	
Tiree	Campbell	Malcolm	18	U	Farmer	Yes			Went to Victoria with brother John; in 1856 was a Government Surveyor; never married, died Sale aged 80	
Tiree	Campbell	Louisa	16	U	House Servant	Yes			Married 1847 George Coulson & moved to Victoria. In 1864 George was Town Clerk, Sale.	
Tiree	Campbell	Helen	15	U	House Servant	Yes			Married 1854 Archie Turnbull, settled S. Coast NSW	
Tiree	Campbell	Eliza	13	U		Yes			Married 1846 William Wells, licensee & civil servant	
Tiree	Campbell	Giles	10	U		Yes			Married 1853 Thomas Webster	
Tiree	Campbell	Mary Bell	9	U		Yes			Married 1857 David Cockburn, lived Baradine NSW	
Tiree	Campbell	Archibald	7	U		Yes			Drowned in boating accident, Victoria, aged 37	
Tiree	Campbell	Mary Macarthur	6	U		Yes			Married 1857 James Munro McKenzie, merchant.	
Tiree	Campbell	Duncan/ Barbara	3	U					No definite trace after landing in Australia.	
Tiree	McDonald née Campbell	Ann		M					Daughter of Duncan Campbell & Helen Campbell and wife of Dr Donald Rankin McDonald also on the ship.	

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Tiree	Campbell	Alexander	32	U	Stockman	Yes			Son of Archibald Campbell, tacksman in Tiree, and Ellen McColl [possibly a half-brother of Helen Campbell (above)? – it is believed that Helen's mother Anne McColl and Alexander's mother Ellen McColl were sisters married to the same Archibald Campbell]	1
Tiree	Campbell	Archibald	45	M	Crofter				The family lived at Scarinish, where OPRs show Archibald as a turner and later as a crofter	
Tiree	Campbell	Mary/Margaret	31	M						
Tiree	Campbell	Jean/Jane	10							
Tiree	Campbell	Duncan	8							
Tiree	Campbell	Neil	7							
Tiree	Campbell	Jessie	4							
Tiree	Campbell	Mary	2							
Tiree	McDonald	Janet	23	U	Farm Servant				[Unmarried mother – see entry below]	1
Tiree	McKinnon or McDonald	Mary	1						Illegitimate child of Janet McDonald [probably the Mary McKinnon or McDonald, daughter of Charles McKinnon & Janet McDonald born 7 February 1838 and baptised 28 March 1838.]	1,2
Tiree	McKinnon	Malcolm	25	M	Farm Labourer		Mr Rothery, Concord	£45 with rations	Son of Allan McKinnon, Tiree [probably the Malcolm McKinnon, son of Allan McKinnon, Balephuil, and Catherine McKinnon, baptised 25 October 1810]	1,3
Tiree	McKinnon	Mary [wife of Malcolm]	27	M	House Servant		[Engaged with her husband?]		Daughter of Grace McFarland, Tiree [her father may have been Alexander McDonald who married Girsey McFarlane on 1 Aug 1803. A daughter, Mary, was born in 1806].	1,2
At sea	McKinnon	-	12dys	-	-		-	-	Male child [son of Malcolm & Mary McKinnon] born at sea and died aged 12 days.	1
Coll	McKinnon	John	28	U	Farm Servant	Yes	Mr Leburn, Sydney	£26 with rations	Son of Neil McKinnon, farmer, & Catherine Fayden (daughter of John Fayden) of Coll	1,3
Coll	McKinnon	Lachlan	29	-	Shepherd		-	-	Died in the hospital	3
Coll	McEachern[?]	John/Ian	42	M	Smith	Yes			Son of Ian ---[?] and of Mary McQuarie daughter of John McQuarie farm [sic] in the Island of Rum. [No OPR entry]	1
Coll	McDonald	Donald	47	M	Farm Service	Yes			Son of Neil McDonald, farmer, & Margaret Campbell (daughter of John Campbell, farmer) of Coll [Donald understated his age: he was at least 51].	1,4
Coll	McDonald	Mary [wife of Donald]	38	M	House Servant	No			Daughter of Neil McLean, farmer, & Margaret McDonald (daughter of Donald McDonald) of Coll. [Mary understated her age: she was at least 48]	1,4

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Coll	McDonald	Flora	24	U	House Servant				Daughter of Donald & Mary McDonald [<i>recorded as accommodated with parents & younger siblings</i>].	1,4
Coll	McDonald	John	22	U	Farm Servant	Yes			Son of Donald & Mary McDonald on this ship [<i>recorded as accommodated in the single men's cabin</i>]	1,4
Coll	McDonald	Neil	20	U	Farm Servant	Yes			Son of Donald & Mary McDonald on this ship [<i>recorded as accommodated in the single men's cabin</i>]	1,4
Coll	McDonald	Norman	15						Son of Donald & Mary McDonald [<i>and recorded as accommodated with them</i>].	1,4
Coll	McDonald	Donald	12						Son of Donald & Mary McDonald [<i>and recorded as accommodated with them</i>].	1,4
Coll	McDonald	Marion	10						Daughter of Donald & Mary McDonald [<i>and recorded as accommodated with them</i>].	1,4
Coll	McDonald	Catherine	10						Daughter of Donald & Mary McDonald [<i>and recorded as accommodated with them</i>].	1,4
Coll	McDonald	Isabella	5						Daughter of Donald & Mary McDonald [<i>and recorded as accommodated with them</i>].	1,4
<i>Simon & John Fraser (below), sons of Alexander Fraser & Mary McQuarrie, had lived in Coll (John was born there) but were residing with their families in Mull before embarkation.</i>										
?	Fraser	Simon	44	W						5
	Fraser	Duncan	18							5
	Fraser	Isabella	17						<i>Died on voyage</i>	5
	Fraser	Flora	16							5
	Fraser	Grace	14							5
	Fraser	Alexander	12							5
	Fraser	Ellen	10							5
	Fraser	Hector	8							5
Coll	Fraser	John		M						5
	Fraser	Catherine		M						5
	Fraser	Elizabeth	16							5
	Fraser	Alexander	14							5
	Fraser	Lachlan	12							5
	Fraser	Mary	8							5
	Fraser	Betsy	5						<i>Died on voyage</i>	5
	Fraser	Catherine	3						<i>Died on voyage</i>	5
	Fraser	Hector	2							5
	Fraser	Anne	6m							5

[?] = Writing indistinct on document

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