# Conclusion

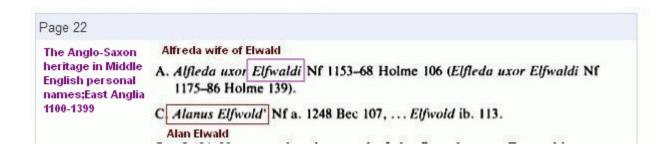
Mark S Elliott>Loren S>Mark>WA>SA>Comfort>John Elliot>Jonathan Jr>Jonathan Sr>Daniel Jr>Daniel Ellot Sr>Robert>Daniel Elliot/Ellot>Robert Ellot/Elwald>Andrew >Gavin>William>Robert (chief) 11 to 1>Alan>Alanus Elfwald (personal name).

The reason for the conclusion is because the last name is the personal name *Elfwald*, without a surname.

#### To be covered:

Robert Ellot/Elwald (Clementis Hob)>Andrew >Gavin>William>Robert Elwald 11 to 1>Alan>Alanus Elfwald> Elfwald (personal name).

Going to start with Elfwald the personal name above, in a reversed order. Up the family line.



Above is *Alfreda uxor* (wife of) *Elfwaldi*, where *Elfwaldi* would be a single personal name about 1153-68, and 1175-1186 in **Holme**, England.

Also a *Alanus Elfwold* 1248 of **Bec**, England. Note; both names have an *f* in them.





It is felt that *Alanus Elfwold ca 1250* had an *Alan Elwald* which had a *Robert Elwald 1305* (likely and older brother named Alan). With the change from a personal name to a surname and a personal name, it is felt that the first son had the same name as father.

From Robert Elwald of Remyngton because he did not prosecute Alan, his father, and Francis de Jarum, his pledges, 40d.

From Peter de Herdwyk because he did not prosecute Henry de

Essewell and Robert le Loverdessone, his pledges, 10s.

From Thomas de Thurstanton because he did not prosecute Geoffrey Borel of Thurston and Ralph de Shotton, his pledges, 2s.

Borel of Thurston and Marph de Showon, his pieuges, 28.

From Ralph de Langeton, illuminator (lumynour) for a false claim against John Whitwyn, 12d.

From William Calfhird of Durham because he did not prosecute against Hugh de Wherindon, 6d.

Calendar of the Close Rolls, Volumes 1302-1307

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## CALENDAR OF CLOSE ROLLS.

In the above one can see that there is a Robert Elwald of Remynton (Rimington) which has a father named Alan Elwald. The Elliots of Redheugh and of Stobs
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THE ELLIOTS The Story of a Border Clan A Genealogical History by The Dowager Lady Eliott of Stobs and Sir Arthur Eliott, 11th Baronet of Stobs publisher; Seeley Service & Co LTD 1974 p11 The early generations of the Ellots in Liddesdale are wrapped in obscurity but by 1476, some 500 years ago, ROBERT ELLOT, Chief of the Clan and the 10th of his name, was established at REDHEUGH.\* His tower stood on the high heugh above Hermitage Water, commanding the ford below and looking across to the tower of the Ellots of the Park guarding the other side; behind lay the slopes of the Harden Fell and the summer shielings of the clan; and, out of sight beyond, the wastes of Roan and Tarras Moss. To the South four miles away stretched the long line of hills marking the border.

Robert must have been very content in that year of 1476. In the decades that had gone before, the English had been expelled from Liddesdale; Hermitage Castle, safely in the hands of the Douglases, was captained by an Ellot of Redheugh; and the Clan itself settled on lands stretching from the source of Hermitage Water to the upper reaches of the Liddel. Now, the additional lands of Dalman, Bluntwood and the Cruch had been bestowed on him by Archibald Douglas, Earl of Angus, the Lord of Liddesdale; and not long afterwards on the 7th January 1479/80 Robert was given 'Layhaugh, Carrolschell, Hartsgarthe with the faulde' and, on 20th September 1484, 'the 20 merk lands of Over and Neither Larrostand'.<sup>2</sup>

\* Since completing the text, evidence of one of these earlier Chiefs has come to light. In the Stodart MSS of the Blackadder family supplied by the Lord Lyon's Office, there is a record of an Ellot of Redheugh, called 'Chieftan of the South', who was killed in battle with three of his sons. According to the Pedigree, this Chief had a daughter Mary, who married Cuthbert Blackadder of that Ilk and who had three sons. The eldest of these, Andrew Blackadder, was alive in 1447.

The name should say Robert Elwald (not Ellot **1974**) 10<sup>th</sup> chief with that name.

This last was persuasively put forward by the Hon. George F. S. Elliot in 1897 in his book "The Border Elliots and the Family of Minto" as being, partially at least, in accord with the old tradition and as the most likely origin of the Clan. It can now, however, be reasonably demoted to the realm of fiction by the researches carried out in the summer of 1981 by Dr. George Elliott of Victoria, Canada. Notwithstanding a considerable and thorough-going investigation, Dr. Elliott could find no evidence whatever of any individual or group taking their name from the river or parish and both he and local historians in Angus are agreed on the improbability of such an origin for the Clan.

The only serious contention remaining, which is favoured by some modern historians, ascribes the surname to the fairly common old Northumbrian christian name of Elwold or Elwald. While convenient in its simplicity, evidence of the Clan's connection is lacking and, with only two references to Elwald as a surname prior to 1400—in 1230 and 1357 (in Northumberland)—we have no way of testing the validity of this theory. The Elliots The Story of the Border Clan Arthur Eliott1986

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In 1986 Arthur Eliott is referring to; *The only serious* contention remaining.....old Northumbrian christian name of Elwold/Elwald. So it seems that Arthur Eliott switches from *Ellot* in 1972 to *Elwald* in 1986.

22. Retour of Inquest taken before Sir William Reports, Douglas, Lord of Caueris, at the town thereof, and the Part 2 following persons of inquest, John Gledstanis of Wind-By Great itouhaw, John Gourlay of Roulwod, William Dowglas, Britain. William Elwalde, John Singlar, Archibald Dowglas, Royal Adam Dowglas, William Dowglas, Andrew Gledstanis, Commission William Elwalde, Robert Elwalde, Thomas Brun, on Historical Robert Elwalde, and Thomas Haw; of Robert Elwalde Manuscripts as heir to his grandfather Robert Elwalde in the lands of Tellile and Caldcluch in the barony of Caueris and shire of Roxburgh, valued at ten merks scots a year, which were held of the laird of Caueris by ward and relief, with common suit in the Court of Caueris, and had been in the overlord's hands since the death of the said Robert Elwalde, who died about the feast of the Invention of the Holy Cross last bypast. Expede 15 February 1497-8.

23. Letters of Reversion by Robert Ker in Sonderland-

The above refers to *Robert Elwalde*, heir to grandfather *Robert Elwalde*, with *William Elwalde* likely brother.

# The Ellots of Redheugh

The Earliest record of the Elliss is of an Ellot of Redheugh whose daughter, Many married Cuthbert Blackadder of that Ilk. She had a son living in 1447

Robert Ellot the with of Redheugh, Chief b. 1497

Robert the 11th b. 159 1491

Robert the 12th, Chief b. 151 156

William of Larriston (See Elliots of Horsleyhill)

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#### LINEAGE OF THE CLAN

(Only those with surviving male issue are shown)

The earliest record of the Clan is of an "Ellot of Redheugh" whose grandson was living in 1447

ROBERT ELLOT the 10th, of Redheugh, Chief

Elwald

Robert the 11th

d. by 1491

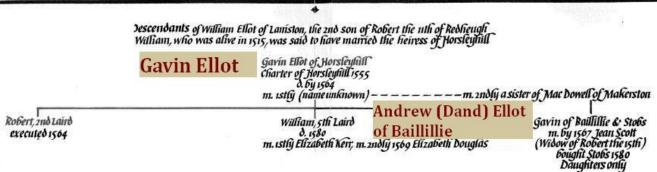
ROBERT the 12th, Chief
d. by 1516

William of Larriston
acting chief 1516-26
(ELLIOTS OF HORSLEY HILL)

Name above for Robert should be *Elwald*; not *Ellot*.

It should be noted that Robert 12<sup>th</sup> (Elwandis; who measures). Andrew (Dand) is said to be brother germain (half brother) to

# The Elliots of Horsleyhill



Robert and Willaim so likely older brother to Gavin of Bailee

### and father to Clementis Hob.

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Robert Ellot of Horsleyhill brother germane (close, like half-brother, but would have used just the word brother if brothers), of umquhile (in Scottish; deceased), Andro, alias Dand Ellot ... and Richart Maitland of Lethingtoun Knycht, callit befoir thame William 1563-1564 Scot of

Tuschelaw, and Walter Scot his sone, on that ane part: and Robert Ellot in Horslehill bruther germane of umquhile Andm, alias Dand Ellot thair, on that uther part ...

The Register of the Privy Council of Scotland, Volume 1
By Scotland, Privy Council, John Hill Burton, David Masson, Peter Hume Brown, Henry Paton, Robert Kerr Hannay
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ROBERT THE 10TH

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Liddel can be seen the line of the Larriston Fells, a part of the Cheviots, which marked the Clan's long frontier with England. A lonely wild landscape over which, even in its green valleys, broods the memory of a vibrant past.

In the 16th century this countryside carried many times its present population. On the lower slopes were the many towers and hamlets, the small fields and crofts, of several thousand people while the higher slopes were dotted in summer with their shielings and grazed by their herds of cattle, sheep and goats and by their many horses. For the Elliots, like all Borderers, were great riders. Indeed, a Spanish observer of the time described the Borderers as "the finest light cavalry in all Europe" while no higher praise could be accorded an individual than "he rides like a Liddesdale man". A rude, rough, hardy people, disdainful of weakness, defiant of danger, with a dash of the cavalier in their attitude to life and death.

According to tradition, the Elliots (or Ellots as they were called\*), led by their Chief, "a baron of renown", were given lands in Liddesdale by Robert the Bruce (1274-1329). Redheugh is listed on the Rent Roll of Liddesdale in 1376 and a number of Ellots are mentioned in the course of the 15th century. But the first clear record of the Clan relates to a grant of lands to "Robert Elwald of the Redheugh, Chief" in 1476. According to a Pedigree dated c. 1704, this Chief is alleged to have been the 10th of his name\*\*.

In the two decades that followed the date of this first record of the Clan, Robert received several more grants of lands in Liddesdale from Archibald Douglas, 5th Earl of Angus and Lord of Liddesdale. By the time of Robert's death in 1497, the Elliots—with their adherents, the Nixons and Croziers—held a territory stretching from the source of Hermitage Water to the upper reaches of the Liddel, together with at least a part of upper Teviotdale. Near the centre of this territory stood the important Border fortress of Hermitage Castle, to which in subsequent years the Chief of the Elliots was often appointed Keeper. The Clan had as neighbours the Armstrongs who had long been established in lower Liddesdale while, to the North, the Scotts occupied lower Teviotdale and what then constituted the village of Hawick.

These grants of lands were presumably a reward for Robert's part in the various actions in which the Earls of Angus had been engaged in earlier years: at the battle of Arkinholm in Ewesdale in 1455 against the enemies of King James II; again in 1460 when Roxburgh Castle, long held by the English, was taken; and in forays across the

- The "i" was introduced into the name in about 1650. Until then although appearing in documents haphazardly in a variety of forms Elwald, Elwand, Elwood, Ellet etc. the name was pronounced "Ellot", as indeed it sometimes is today.
- \*\* For the origins and early history of the Elliots, see Part III.

Arthur Eliott; according to; "Robert Elwald of the Redheugh, Chief" in 1476. According to a Pedigree dated c. 1704, this Chief is alleged to have been the 10th of his name..

On 20th September, 1484,2 Angus again executed a precept directed to "Walter Scot de Edschan, Radulpho Ker, fratri Wateri Ker de Cesfurd et Willielmo Elwaldo de goranbery" to infeft Robert Elwald of the Redheuch in the 20 merk lands of Over and Nether "Larrostane."

On 13th November, 1489,8 at "Calco," the earl directed a further precept to William Ker of "Mersyntoune Radulpho Ker de Primsyde louch, Wilielmo elwad de gouinbery et Wilelmo gledstanys" to infeft Robert Elwad of the "Redehuch" in the lands commonly called "redehuch," "layhauch," "hartsgarth," "caraschele," "dawmane," and "larostanys superior et inferior," lying in the lordship of "Lyddalisdale;" and on 13th June, 1497,4 in presence of Ninian Elwald, Robert Elwald, William Elwald, John Elwald, Andrew Elwald, John Crosar, Quyntin Crosar, John Grame, and George Forstar, sasine of all the foresaid lands was taken in the hands of Richard Hall, notary public. We have thus, in the foregoing writs, the original infeftments of, probably, the earliest Robert Elwald of Redheuch, first of the long succession of Roberts, chiefs of the clan, and frequently captains of the castle of the Hermitage under its various lords, and from whom the leading branches of the clan presume descent. The actual charter of the lands of Redheuch is awanting, but from the terms of the precept of 1489, we may presume that it, too, was granted to the same individual in whose favour the previous writs run. The importance of the family at this period

The Annals of a Border Club (the Jedforest): And Biographical Notices of the Families Connected Therewith by George One can see in the above who was around, and the name *Elwald* being used when Robert received (infeft) land.

<sup>1, 2, 8, 4</sup> Larriston Titles.

Mark Elliott 7/22/2013 (draft)