**WARDLAW MAUSOLEUM**

**PRESS RELEASE**

**Friday 6th July 2018**

**OLD FOX COFFIN REINTERNMENT**

**A short religious service is to be held at Wardlaw Mausoleum, Kirkhill, Inverness at 11am on Thursday 23rd August to reinter the remains found in the coffin believed to belong to Simon 11th Lord Lovat, the ‘Old Fox’. Simon was beheaded at Tower Hill in London in 1747 for his support of Bonnie Prince Charlie and the Jacobite Rebellion.**

**The remains were examined by Dame Professor Sue Black to determine if they belonged to Simon Lord Lovat and thereby answer the question of where he was buried. She found that they were not his but those of five people. The most complete remains are actually those of an unknown lady aged about 25. Sue thought the other remains in the coffin were most likely graveyard clearance from other burials in the graveyard.**

**Members of the Lovat Fraser family have been invited to attend and the service is being made open to other Frasers and members of the public with an interest in the mausoleum and the Lovat Frasers.**

**Wardlaw Graveyard is currently undergoing a programme of repairs to walls and family enclosures as well as the removal of some dead trees. The work is being carried out by Masonry & Lime Ltd on behalf of Highland Council.**

**For more information on the service please contact Erik Lundberg, Wardlaw Mausoleum Trust on 01463 831742 or wardlawmausoleum@gmail.com**