

## MacTAVISH and CONNECTED NAMES

### McCAVISH

Variant Spellings: M'Avis(h), M'Cauish, M'Cawis, Macavish, Maccause, MacCavish, Maccawis, Maccaws, Mactawys, MacThámhais, Makawis, Makcaws, Makavhis, Makcawys, Mc'Cause, McAvis, McCaueis, McCaweis, McKawes, VcCavyes, VcKaviss

MACCAVISH, Maccause, Maccavish, Maccawis, Maccaws. In G. *MacThámhais*, 'son of Tammas,' the Scottish form of Thomas. John Gorym Mactawys was a charter witness in Glasgow in 1456 (LCD, p. 179). Duncan Makcawys acquired the five mark land of Ardequhlg in Weem in 1475 (SBR, p. 256). Donald McCawis was tenant of Eglisdisdane and Balnegregane in 1480 (ER., IX, p. 561), and Donals M'Awis, son and heir of the late Duncan M'Awis is in record in 1482 (Scot, Ant., XI, p. 30). Duncan McCuse and Allan M'Cuse, bailies on the lands of Glastre in Argylshire belonging to James Scrimgeour, constable of Dundee, in 1490, appear in the following year as Makavhis (HP, II, p. 188, 190). The death of Donald M'Cawis is recorded in the Chronicle of Fotirgall in 1484; Henry M'Cawis was a sitness in Ayrshire in 1485, and Thomas M'Cawis, a member of the same family, held land there in 1505 (RMS, II, 1630, 2899). Lauchlan M'Cawis was vicar of Lochgoyle in 1528, and Roland or Ronald Makawis was vicar of Inchalt in 1542-45 (RMS, III, 556, 2909, 3132). John M'Caws appears as juror on an assize in Ayrshire, 1532 (ibid., 1196), and in the same year a precept of legitimation was issued to Lauchlan Makcawis, natural son of Eugene Makcus (RSS, II, 1188). John McPhadrick VcAlves in Auchingyle, and Duncan Ger McAves in Little Ballernick were fined for reset of Clan Gregor, 1613 (*Retours, Argyllshire*, 28). Donald McGillechallum VcEane Dow VcCavyes was charged with dire-raising in 1628 (RPC, 2. ser. II, p. 517); Donald McCaweis was servitor to Campbell of Inverlevir, 1635 (*Poltalloch Write*, p. 75); and Duncan McCaueis in Ardphuir Castell witnessed a testament in 1676 (*Genealogist*, new ser., XXXII, p. 24). Duncan McAvis was tacksman of Corpleyne in the same year (RPC., 3, ser. VIII, p. 569). Tavish Mccavish was rebel in Killean, Kintyre, 1685 (*Commons*, p. 3), and Tais Mcavish, elder of Kenmore Kirk, 1729 (FB., p. 359). McAwis 1483, M'Awishe 1595, M'Cavss 1618, M'Cauish 1694, M'Cvish 1693, Makcawis 1545, McKawes 1651, VcKaviss 1538, M'Cavis, Makaws.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> The Surnames of Scotland, Frank F. Black, The New York Library, 1999

