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Executive Director of the Alaskan Scottish Club

by Joan Massart-Paden, President

On the behalf of the Alaska Scottish Club Board of Directors, I am pleased to announce that Jeni McDaniel has accepted the position of Executive Director of the Alaskan Scottish Club.

The decision to hire an executive director was important for the future of our club. The responsibilities for managing operational aspects of our Games, fund raising activities, membership growth, cultural outreach, new event development and implementation are just a few of the overwhelming duties that are needed to continue to expand the games and our membership.

Jeni has been highly successful over the last 2 years as the games coordinator, and has also competed in the highland athletic events for years. She has the organizational skills to successfully administer, sustain and expand the Alaskan Scottish Club in accordance with our club's by-laws and mission statement. She will not only be the Games coordinator but will take an active role in all club activities, to include advertising and finding funding through grants and sponsorships. She will be responsible for updating our website and social media sites. She will research and implement new and trending media opportunities.

Jeni is open and excited to hear from club members about their ideas or suggestions for new club events. She can be contacted at ashgcoordinator@gmail.com or by phone at 602.359.4893.

Coming Events:

St. Patrick's Day Concert

By Richard Christiansen

You don't have to be Irish to love Bagpipes on St Patrick's Weekend, but this Band might just have you dancing a wee jig— **Alaska Celtic Pipes & Drums** present the **Wearin' O' the Green Concert** as part of the **ALC Sunday Concert Series**, at **4:00 pm on Sunday afternoon, March 15, at Anchorage Lutheran Church, 1420 N Street** in Anchorage, (Near 15th Avenue, 3 blocks West of L Street.)

The Wearin' O' the Green Concert promises to deliver yet again a brilliant performance by an award-winning local Pipe Band, with piping and drumming from the entire ensemble, as well as solos, and smaller groups of pipers and drummers

within the Band. **Celebrate St. Patrick's Weekend with a Band that's "Piping Hot!"**

The Wearin' O' the Green Concert is a special Concert for St. Patrick's Weekend so don't forget: **"the Pipes, the Pipes are calling..."**

For more information, contact the band at 907/315-9838 or jungstensgericht@yahoo.com.

Highland Games Throwing Clinics

Have you ever wanted to throw in the Highland Games or just want to refine your technique? Join us at one of our clinics this year! These clinics are great for the beginner and the seasoned pro who wants to improve their throws.

Spring Clinics: May 9th in Anchorage or May 10th in Kenai. The coaches for this clinic: Former Pro Games Athlete Ryan Stewart and Current Pro Games Athlete Scott Farr.

June Clinic: June 20th and 21st in Wasilla. This clinic is a two day event and will be coached by two former World Champions, James Parman and Larry Brock.

Sign up now – slots are limited!

Register at: <https://2020ashgathletics.eventbrite.com>

Ready for Spring?

Rev. Amberle Wright

Although here in Alaska, we are still snow deep in winter, spring is on its way.

If you love everything Scottish, then it just might warm your heart to think about spring in Scotland. (Spring arrives in Scotland a wee bit earlier than it does in Alaska).

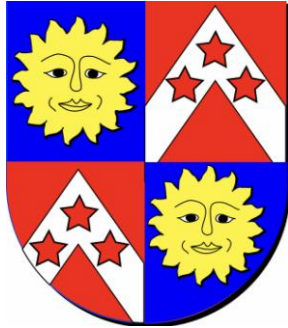


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Clan Corner

Clan Kerr

By Jamie Almon



Motto: Sero Sed Serio (Late but in Earnest)

Clan Kerr was a prominent border reiver clan descended from brothers Ralph and John Ker, who settles in Jedburgh in 1330.

The two main branches of the clan, the Kerrs of Ferniehirst and the Kerrs of Cessford, often feuded with one another.

The Kerr Clan fought with the British government during the Jacobite Rising of 1745.

Kerrs are often associated with left-handedness and some of their buildings have turnpike stairs that were made with this in mind. Men fighting under the Ferniehirst and Cessford were encouraged to fight "ker" handed.

Rival clans included Clan Heron and Clan Scott.

Do you have Clan information or anecdotes that other members would find interesting? Send them in, this space is for you!—editor

Games Planning Meetings

We want YOU to help plan the 2020 Alaska Scottish Highland Games! All meetings begin at 6:15pm and usually last about an hour.

Can't Make the Meeting in Person? We use Zoom Video Conferencing for our meetings! Email Jeni for the Link to the zoom platform if you plan on attending via phone/web!

From a lead position to a minor role, there is plenty of work to be done and we can always find something for you to do. If you are interested in helping, please contact me and we can find a place for you: ashgcoordinator@gmail.com or 602-359- 4893.

2020 Games meeting dates:

March 18 (Wed) Location: Petroleum Club of Anchorage, 3301 C St., Calais Bldg II, Anchorage.

April 2 (Thurs), April 15 (Wed) and April 30 (Thurs) Location: TBD

May 13 (Wed) and May 28 (Thurs) Location: TBD

June 3 (Wed) Location: TBD; June 11 (Thurs) at 2903 Tanglewood Drive, Anchorage; June 17 (Wed) Location: TBD and 25 (Thurs) at 2903 Tanglewood Drive Anchorage

Games Registrations Open

Athletics Registration is open! Registration will close on Memorial Day, spots in the athletic events are limited and are filling up fast, so sign up today! Please visit <https://2020ashgathletics.eventbrite.com> to register today!

Piping and Drumming is open for registrations! Registration will close on May 31, 2020. Register at: <https://2020ashgpandd.eventbrite.com>

Vendor Registration is open! Interested in becoming a Vendor at the Games? Know someone who might be interested in being a vendor? Registration is now open for Vendor spots at this year's games. Visit <http://www.alaskascottish.org/highland-games> or email ashgvendors@gmail.com for more information and to get the application.

Member Benefit

Current ASC members are eligible to be a man-at-arms Games sponsor for only \$100 (not the \$150 shown on the form!) Not sure if you're member? Call Joan, our illustrious membership coordinator (and Club President) to find out. She's at 229- 0022.

Annual Meeting Report

Joan Massart-Paden

Twenty-seven voting members turned out for this year's annual meeting, which started promptly at 2:00 pm. The previous 2019 AGM minutes were approved unanimously.

Our Treasurer, Ron Norris, presented the financial report, showing the club is in good financial standing at this time.

Various board members reported on club events and activities. Cathy Steen presented the 2nd place plaque for the Frostbite Footrace on Saturday March 1st. Clan Committee Chair Amberle Wright and Preston McKee were instrumental in organizing the event.

President Joan Massart-Paden announced that a new Executive Director position was established. Jeni McDaniel was nominated by the Board to be the Executive Director. She starts her new position on March 2nd.

The vote taken was for the four board slots that were open this year. Three members were re-elected: Rod Finkle, Preston McKee, and Cathy Steen. One new member was added, Nelson Alger. Officers will be elected at the next board meeting on March 16th. The meeting adjourned at 2:54 pm. Members stayed and mingled. Everyone helped with tear down.

Spring in Scotland, Continued from page 1

Spring in Scotland is a season that helps us beat the winter blues and always promises to bring something magical to our lives: thoughts of green spaces with blooming trees, hills and mountains filling with sounds of wildlife, and flowers filling the air with the scent of spring. This is the season of Birth and Rejuvenation.

Spring is the time when days are becoming longer and warmer. Everything in nature is coming alive. It is a time of growth and fertility, of excitement and joy. We feel the renewed energy of nature and are aware that the seeds we are planting will begin germinating and reaching for the light. As the natural world surges into spring, it is a time where we can also take a moment to look within and reach out for what we want in ourselves and our lives.

To set the mood and grow some excitement, I would like to share a few Scottish customs and traditions for celebrating spring time.

Spring Equinox

The Spring Equinox takes place each year around March 21st. In Celtic mythology, the spring equinox - or Alban Eiler - was the day that night and day stood equal and the rare balance was seen as a powerful time for magic and nature.

On Orkney, there are celebrations of Vore Tullye (Spring Equinox) at the Comet Stone, near to the Ring of Brodgar. Based in Orcadian folklore, this is a ceremony marking the point in the year when the time of the light and the time of the dark in each day is equal. This is a good time to visit Orkney to see hares boxing and song birds courting.

Big Porridge Day

The Big Porridge Day is held in late spring or on the Thursday before Easter. It is also known as Shore Thursday or Maundy Thursday.

In the Western Isles, a large dish of porridge made with butter and other good ingredients was tipped into the sea in the belief it would draw valuable seaweed ashore. The ritual would be at its most effective if carried out on a stormy night.

"The porridge was poured into the sea on every headland where wrack used to come. Next day the harbours were full," wrote John Gregorson Campbell in *The Gaelic Otherworld*.



He added: "The meaning of the ceremony seems to have been that by sending the fruit of the land into the sea, the fruit of the sea would come to land."

Saining Straw

A version of "Spring Cleaning". After a deep cleaning out of the winter "muck", a wisp of straw - or sop seile in Gaelic - is used to deposit drops of water that had come into contact with silver or gold, such as a wedding ring, around the house, shops and barns. The ritual is thought to protect the house and its occupants from the evil eye.

Horses, harnesses and ploughs received a similar treatment before being sent out to the field.



Original New Year

The Celtic New Year was celebrated on Samhain (November 1st). Then, until 1600, the Gregorian Calendar which was used in Scotland, placed New Year on 25th March.

Lent



26 February - 9 April this year, Lent is the 40-day period before Easter, beginning with Ash Wednesday. During Lent, most choose to fast, or give up some of their usual routine, to give time to personal examination and to reflect on their relationship with God.

Ash Wednesday

The first day of Lent is called Ash Wednesday and it is traditionally a day given to prepare for the period of fasting and self-examination to come. Some churches, mainly in Anglican and Catholic traditions, hold Ash Wednesday services at which churchgoers are marked on the forehead with a cross of ashes as a sign of repentance and reminder of our mortality. This practice comes from an ancient biblical tradition of putting on 'sackcloth and ashes' to show grief and sorrow for past wrongs.

For those with a more Scottish sense of humor...

Hunt the Gowk.....



was the old name for April fool's Day and tricks would be played and lies told on April 1st. However, the foolery had to finish by noon - or the joke would fall on the trickster. Hunting the Gowk was originally played to send someone on a foolish errand.

*"Dinna laugh, an' dinna smile
But hunt the gowk another mile"*

Preen-tail Day or Tailie Day

More joking would follow when paper tails were attached to the backs of unsuspecting people.



So as we still sit in what is left of the "dark season" in Alaska, let's dream of Spring in Scotland. Let us look forward to when we again will walk out into the new fresh world of Spring.

February Alaskan Scottish Club Board Minutes

Meeting held February 10, 2020, 6:00 pm at the Petroleum Club of Anchorage

Attendance: Joan Massart-Paden, Ron Norris, Rod Finkle, Amberle Wright, Jeni McDaniel, Preston McKee and Meg Voss

Absent: Lisa Caress-Beu and Cathy Steen

Guests: none

Call to order: 6:00 pm

Approval of the Minutes: Rod moved that the Minutes be approved, Preston seconded. Minutes were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's report: Ron Norris presented a short treasurers report that he sent via email to board members. Meg moved that the report be approved, Jeni seconded. Treasurer's Report was approved unanimously.

Old Business:

1. Pending Motion for Executive Director. Joan repeated the motion on the table and made clear that the motion on the table was for a position not a person to fill the position. If the vote for the position were to be passed, there would need to be another motion put forward on who would fill the position. Discussion on current motion was held. Voting was done via ballot, Joan collected and counted Ballots. Motion was passed 6-Yes, 1-No.
 - a. A committee, to oversee the duties and responsibilities of the Executive Director, was created which is comprised of the following board

members: Joan Massart-Paden, Ron Norris, Rod Finkle, Preston McKee and Cathy Steen.

- b. Jeni recused herself from the meeting. Rod Finkle made a motion to nominate Jeni McDaniel for the position, Ron seconded. Discussion ensued. Vote was unanimous to appoint Jeni McDaniel as Executive Director.
2. Clan Flags: Pending motion regarding the purchases on Clan Flags by the Club. Rod moved the motion be approved, Jeni seconded. Discussion was held. Motion was approved unanimously.
3. Trail Clean up: Preston said the signs are ready and that the Maintenance person for the city has picked up the signs and will be hanging them. There are 3 signs in total and will be ready for a spring clean-up project for the club.
4. Website: Jeni gave a brief presentation on the look of the new website. Things are moving along well with the site and it will be live the first of March.

New Business: None

Committee Reports:

Annual General Meeting: \$40.00 for treats was approved. Meg will be purchasing those treats. Tea cups and Kettles will be brought to the meeting by Joan. On March 1st, the AGM will be at the Moose Lodge. Set-up is at 1pm. Board positions that are up for re-election are: Rod Finkle. Meg Voss, Cathy Steen, and Preston McKee. Nominations have been received and will be added to the ballot.

Alaska Highland Clans: Amberle reported: The clans and Families will be participating in the Frost Bite Footrace at Fur Rondy. Amberle asked all who are interested in attending wear a Kilt or some type of Tartan. Working on some type of event for Tartan Day, possibly a brunch details to come.

Alaska Scottish Highland Games: Jeni reported. planning is going well. Second Band has been found working on final booking.

Scholarships: Nothing to report at this time.

St Andrews Night: This will be Held November 28, 2020 at the PCA.

Thistle Editor: Nothing to Report, Cathy was traveling back to Alaska.

Burns Night: Rod Reported. January 23, 2021 back at the Embassy Suites, a few changes need to be made but overall event will be similar to this year. Jeni reported that after a recount of the shot glasses there are only 2 that are lost, not the original 5 we thought were lost.

Next Meeting: Monday, March 16, 2020 at 6pm at the PCA.

Adjournment: Meg moved to adjourn which was seconded by Preston. Meeting adjourned at 7:11pm.

Activities with other Celtic Clubs in Anchorage

Irish Club of Alaska

A Family-friendly Event

Bring your family and friends and join the Irish Club of Alaska for:

Storytelling Saturday Theatre at the Anchorage Museum

1 & 3 p.m. Saturday, March 21st

In the Museum Auditorium

Learn about our community's many cultures during this family-friendly, live performance of fairy tales and other cultural stories. Included with admission (free for museum members).

Celebrate St. Patrick's Week with Irish Movie Night

The Irish Club of Alaska will be celebrating St. Patrick this year with an informal, family event – an Irish Movie Night at the East Anchorage home of Claire Wilson and Terry Kearney. We'll gather at **5:30 pm on Saturday, March 14.**

If you plan on joining us, PLEASE CONTACT CLAIRE AT 907-602-8838 or REPLY BY EMAIL TO akirishcommunication@gmail.com. You will receive the address and directions. If you are able and so inclined, bring a sweet or savory Irish-themed treat to share.

We'll be watching "**Song of the Sea**" (in Irish "Amhránna Mara"), an Oscar-nominated animated fantasy film by the team that created "The Secret of Kells," which won the Academy Award for best foreign language film. "Song of the Sea" follows the story of a 10-year-old Irishboy named Ben who discovers that his mute sister, Saoirse, whom he blames for the apparent death of his mother, is a selkie who has to free faerie creatures from the Celtic goddess Macha.

Celtic Community of Alaska

Celtic Spring Festival

Instructor and vendor registration is now open for the Celtic Spring Festival, to be held this year at Wendler Middle School on **May 2 from 10 - 5.**

This is an event where local artists, musicians, dancers and athletes get together to share their skills with others in a classroom setting. Already in the mix for this year: clog dancing, Ogham writing, a class on Robert Burns songs.

If you are interested in teaching a Celtic-themed class or having a booth at the event, visit our website at www.akcelts.org for an application. Sponsorships are also available. If you have questions, please contact Cathy Steen at 440-6540.



A brochure showing the class offerings will be available in late March.

Nelson Alger and his daughter show off the second place award the Scottish Club won for the Frostbite Footrace. The award was for best costumes in the organization/business category

Nelson ran about 2/3 of the 5 k race with his daughter on his back.



Dottie and Preston McKee cross the finish line in the Frostbite footrace



39th Annual Alaska Scottish Highland Games **June 27th 2020** **Alaska State Fairgrounds**

2020 Vendor Information

Dear Friends,

We are welcoming applications for Vendor booth space at the 2020 Alaska Scottish Highland Games. We are happy to receive applications, but please understand that we cannot guarantee booth space to all who apply. Applications will be considered by the organizers of the event for the appropriateness of wares and/or services regarding the theme of the event, as well as the number of similar vendors participating. Vendors will be notified within 5 business days of receipt of application and any applicable fees if their application was accepted. Placement on the grounds is on a first-come, first-served basis. If you are approved as a Vendor and submit your application and applicable fees by May 15th, your name will be included in the Games' Program. We cannot guarantee inclusion in the program after that date.

Please read the information included in this document and the Vendor Application carefully. The Alaskan Scottish Club, Alaska Scottish Highland Games, and the Alaska State Fair, Inc. assume no liability for the safety/quality of the products sold or offered to the public by the individual vendors. If you have any questions please contact us, we are happy to help!

Application DEADLINE: June 1, 2020

Booth Information and Fees

Your booth must be open and staffed during the entire Festival day.

Saturday, June 27th: 8:00 am to 8:00 pm

Your tent should have a good roof that can withstand wind, rain, hail and other inclement Alaskan weather. Please take the necessary measures to secure tents for the potential high winds of Palmer, Alaska!

Booth Fees

Food Vendors: 10' Wide x 20' Deep	\$200.00/Per Space
Merchandise/Craft or Entertainment Vendors: 10' Wide x 20' Deep	\$100.00/Per Space
*Electrical Hookup	\$40.00/Per Outlet
Additional Wristbands for Employees:	\$10.00/each
(Each booth space includes 4 Entry wristbands)	

If you require a booth size different than any listed above, you must contact the Vendor Lead.

We accept check, money orders, and Credit Card payments for Booth fees. Please note payments via credit card will include a convenience/processing charge of 3.5%.

*Generators are not allowed. Plug-ins are available at every vendor location; There are two types of 220v plug-ins: 30 amp and 50 amp. Adapters may be required for 220v plug-ins. Use the appropriate plug-in to avoid tripping breakers. All extension cords must be in compliance with Attachment "A" and supplied by Vendor.

Insurance, Licenses, Permits, and Additional Requirements

ALL Vendors need to obtain a Special Event Business License from the City of Palmer, unless you have already obtained an annual/bi-annual license. This license is \$10.

FOOD VENDORS need to obtain an Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Temporary Food Permit, unless you already have an annual permit.

RIDE AND FOOD VENDORS are required to provide their own insurance. Insurance requirements are as follows:

RIDE: \$1,000,000 in Combined Single Limit Commercial General Liability insurance coverage and \$1,000,000 Personal Injury Limit of Liability per Occurrence insurance coverage

FOOD (prepared on site): \$1,000,000 in Combined Single Limit Commercial General Liability insurance and \$1,000,000 in Products Liability insurance

MERCHANDISE VENDORS, It is highly recommended that Vendors who do not already have Limited Liability Insurance purchase coverage. Vendors will be responsible for any damage or loss caused by the vendor, their agents, employees, or suppliers to property in which The Alaskan Scottish Club, Inc./Alaska Scottish Highland Games or the Alaska State Fair, Inc. has an interest.

The Alaskan Scottish Club, Inc./Alaska Scottish Highland Games and the Alaska State Fair, Inc. must be listed as additional insured for all forms of insurance. A copy of the vendor's insurance certificate will need to be submitted with your application. You will not be permitted to set-up on the Festival grounds without a copy of the Insurance Certificate.

Please ensure that all licenses and permits are posted or available upon request, as the applicable authorities may perform inspections to confirm that you have obtained the proper licenses and permits.

All vendors are required to have appropriate fire extinguishers available at their booth(s). The fire department may be checking to ensure all appropriate fire extinguishers are on site. If a booth is inspected and the appropriate fire extinguisher(s) is not on site, the fire department can close down the vendor.

For your convenience links to all License and Permit applications are available on the Alaskan Scottish Club Website (www.alaskascottish.org).

Taxes

Vendors are required to pay a City of Palmer sales tax of 3% on all sales. This form can be found through The City of Palmer website. For your convenience, a link to the Special Event Sales Tax Remittance Form is also available on the Alaskan Scottish Club Website (www.alasakscottish.org).

Alaska State Fairgrounds Requirements

All vendors and their employees must abide by the requirements set forth in Attachment "A" and "B," Alaska State Fair, Inc., Requirements for Use of the Alaska State Fairgrounds.

For your convenience, links to these Attachments are available on the Alaskan Scottish Club Website (www.alaskascottish.org).

Trash and Booth Clean-Up

Please help us keep the grounds clean and leave your spot clean after the festival. Vendors are responsible for removing cooking oil, gray water, and cleaning up trash in and around booth location. Vendors are also responsible for bringing their own trash cans and trash bags and disposing of their trash. Dumpsters are available to empty trash during the day. *Please do not empty trash into the field trash cans at any point, including at the end of the day.*

If your space is not cleaned after your departure or you are found to be using a field bin at your space or emptying your trash into a field bin, you will be billed a cleaning fee. You will be unable to register for future events until the cleaning fee is paid in full.

Set-Up and Tear-Down

Vendors are responsible for providing their own booths/tents. You may arrive for set up any time between 10:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. on Friday, June 26th. Check-in will be at the Purple Gate and will start at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, June 26th. We will not be able to check vendors in after 9:00 p.m. without prior authorization, you must let the Vendor Lead know as soon as possible if this is the case.

Most spaces can be accessed from the front and from the service “road” behind the spaces. If you have equipment that needs to be maneuvered into the space, please show up early on Friday in order to get your equipment in place before your neighbors set up. If you cannot maneuver into your space, you will be relocated to the next open space that will accommodate your equipment.

Vendors may begin arriving at 6:00 a.m. on Saturday, June 27th to complete setup. Vendors must be open for business by 8:00 a.m. on Saturday.

We ask that you do not pack up and leave until after the Ceilidh Concert following the closing ceremonies, Approx. 8:00 p.m., except in the case of an emergency. Please contact the vendor coordinator with any emergency. We ask this for the safety of other Vendors, Participants and Attendees.

Vendor space must be vacated and clean by no later than noon on Sunday, June 28th.

Security for the festival grounds will be provided Friday and Saturday nights. However, please use good judgment and do not leave valuables within the tents unattended overnight. Vendors accept responsibility for all lost or stolen merchandise or equipment.

Vehicles and Parking

Vehicles used for setting up must be off the field by 7:00 a.m. on Games day, June 27th. Between 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 a.m. merchandise may be brought into the vending area using vendor supplied handcarts or other non-motorized methods.

Vendors will park in the parking area, behind Raven Hall. Each vendor will receive two (2) parking passes for vendor vehicles. You are welcome to park a vehicle behind your tent as long as it fits within the rented space.

No motorized vehicles will be allowed to enter or exit the grounds before the Ceilidh Concert (following the closing ceremonies) is completed on games day and no exceptions will be made. We ask this for the safety of other Vendors, Participants and Attendees.

Vendor Coupon Book

Two years ago, we introduced a discounted Family Pack of Tickets to the games. Due to the popularity of this ticket package, we will be continuing this option. The package includes 2 Adult and 2 Children general admission tickets and a coupon book filled with discounts that attendees can use either at the games or at Vendor shops and locations after the games. These books will be given to attendees who purchased the Family Pack of Tickets at the gates. There is no additional cost to be a part of the book. If you are interested in having a coupon in this book please contact the Vendor Lead, at ashgvendors@gmail.com. The deadline for this inclusion is June 1, 2020.

Plastic Bag Ban

On January 1, 2019, a plastic bag ban took effect for Palmer, Alaska. This ban applies to any plastic bags handed out by vendors at the Games.

Pets/Animals

Per Alaska State Fair requirements, dogs and other animals are not permitted on the Fairgrounds unless they are part of an exhibit or are a service animal*. This includes leaving your furry friends in vehicles or RV's. Please note if animals are found in vehicles, the proper authorities will be notified. Please make arrangements for your pets elsewhere. You will be required to leave the grounds if you bring your pets. There are no exceptions to this rule. If you are asked to leave it will be noted, if the following year you are asked to leave again you will no longer be allowed to Vend at the games.

*A service animal is defined as a dog that is individually trained to do work or perform tasks for an individual with a disability. The task(s) performed by the dog must be directly related to the person's disability. "Comfort," "therapy," or "emotional support animals" do not meet the definition of a service animal.

Photo Release

Vendors give consent to the Alaskan Scottish Club and assignees to take photographs, make audio recordings, and/or video graphs while at the games and to use such media for publicity as the Alaskan Scottish Club deems appropriate.

Cancellations

Cancellations must be sent to the Vendor Lead in writing, either via E-Mail or US Mail, and must be received by June 10th, 2020, for a refund of money already paid. A refund of money for notification received, after June 10th, 2020, will be determined on a case-by-case basis and is not guaranteed to be refunded. *No Refunds will be given for no-shows on the day of the Games.*

Questions

Please direct all inquiries to:

Jeni McDaniel, Vendor Lead at ashgvendors@gmail.com or 602-359-4893
PO Box 244416, Anchorage, Alaska 99524-4416

We encourage you to read through this Information and complete the attached registration form as soon as possible to reserve space for the 2020 Alaska Scottish Highland Games. **Remember, the deadline for registration is June 1, 2020.** Registrations and additions/changes received after that time will be subject to a 20% late fee and cannot be guaranteed.

We look forward to your participation in the success of the
39th Annual Alaska Scottish Highland Games!

PLEASE KEEP THIS INFORMATION FOR YOUR FILES



39th Annual Alaska Scottish Highland Games

June 27th 2020

2020 Vendor Application

This application form is submitted for consideration of the Games Committee for the
39th Annual Alaska Scottish Highland Games by:

Business Name _____
Website _____
Mailing Address _____
City, State, Zip _____
Contact Name _____
Phone _____
Email _____

Vendor Type (Please Circle)	Food	Merchandise/Craft	Entertainment
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Food Vendors: Please attach a proposed menu for approval. Vendors will only use the menu submitted during the event.
If selected as a vendor, you may submit a revised menu for consideration.

Description of products and/or services: _____

Description of your space needs and equipment you will be using (tent dimensions, Trailer/Food
Truck Dimensions*, tables, area to be used for food prep, etc.): _____

**Dimensions should be measured from Tongue to bumper and side to side including awnings/extensions*

For Food Truck/Trailer, where is the Serving Window Located? End Side (Left or Right)

Booth Location Preference/Additional Comments:* _____

**Please note, we will do our best to accommodate location requests, however we reserve the right to move booths as needed
and no Vendor is guaranteed any specific location or spot. We want the games to be a successfull event for all involved, as the
ASHG continues to grow, so does our Vendor areas. Thank you for your understanding.*

Will you be arriving after 5 PM on Friday or Saturday AM for Set-Up? Yes No

Fees	Description	Cost	Number	Total
Merchandise or Craft Vendor	10' Wide x 20' Deep Space*	\$ 100.00 X	_____	_____
Entertainment Vendor	10' Wide x 20' Deep Space*	\$ 100.00 X	_____	_____
Food Vendor	10' Wide x 20' Deep Space*	\$ 200.00 X	_____	_____
Electrical Hook-Up		\$ 40.00 X	_____	_____
(Generators Not Allowed-See Vendor Information for specific Plug-In Details)				
Additional Employee Wristbands		\$ 10.00 X	_____	_____
(4 Per Booth Space is included)				

**All spots are 10' Wide. If a custom size booth is required, please contact us.*

TOTAL FEES DUE

Do you plan on participating in the Family Ticket Pack Coupon Book:	Yes	No
(Coupon must be submitted no later then June 1, 2020 to be included)		

**Please remit your application, required paperwork and check or credit card information no later then
June 1, 2020**

Email: ashgvendors@gmail.com

Mail: ASHG/Vendor

P.O. Box 244416

Anchorage, Alaska 99524-4416

Make Checks or Money Orders Payable to:

The Alaska Scottish Highland Games

-OR-

Credit Card Information (3.5% Convenience/Processing Charge Applies):

Card Number: _____ Exp: _____ CVV: _____ Zip Code: _____

(Card will only be charged once application is approved.)

Any payments that have insufficient funds will incur a \$50 bank processing fee upon resubmission.

Vendors will be notified within 5 days of receipt of Application, Copy of Certificate of Insurance, and applicable fees if they have been approved as a Vendor for the 39th Annual Alaska Scottish Highland Games. Credit cards will not be charged unless the Vendor has been approved. If we are unable to accept an application and the vendor paid by check, it will be returned.

If Vendor application is approved, a map showing the location of your booth, wristbands, and parking passes will be available for pickup at the Vendor Sign-In table at the Purple Gate on Friday June, 26th.

AGREEMENT: I have read and understand the terms and conditions set forth in the Vendor Information and Application Forms. I fully understand that my submission of this form with payment does not constitute a contract, nor does it imply acceptance of my application. I understand that submission of my application is intended solely for purposes of review. Furthermore, I agree to hold any and all persons and/or entities associated with the event, "Alaska Scottish Highland Games," "Alaska State Fair Inc," including, but not exclusive of, those parties hosting, sponsoring, and participating in the event to be free and clear of any claims of discrimination, injury, loss, or damages incurred as a result of the application process and/or my participation in the event. I certify that I am in possession of any and all licenses and/or insurance applicable to my participation at the event.

By signing and submitting this application, I hereby represent myself as the legal agent of the company/vendor listed below, and agree to abide by, and accept all terms of the Agreement.

Vendor Signature: _____

Date: _____

Vendor Application Checklist:

- ☐ Signed and Dated Vendor Application
- ☐ Check, Money Order, or Credit Card for Fees
- ☐ Copy of Certificate of Insurance

Contact Information for Alaska Pipe Bands:

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Club Calendar

Scottish Club Board Meeting

March 16, 6 pm
Petroleum Club of Anchorage

Games Meetings

March 18, 6:15 pm
Petroleum Club of Anchorage

Irish Club Storytelling Theater

March 21 1:00 and 3:00
Anchorage Museum

Celtic Spring Festival

May 2, 2020 10 - 5
Wendler Middle School

Games Throw Clinics

May 9, Anchorage
May 10, Kenai
June 20, 21 in Wasilla
See page 1 for registration details

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June 27, 2020

NOTE: Thistle information gratefully received at all times. However, to make the monthly deadline, please submit by the 25th. Send to Cathy at csteen@gci.net.



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