

GENERAL INFORMATION
71st Annual Pacific Northwest Scottish Highland Games & Clan Gathering
July 28, 29, & 30, 2017
Enumclaw Expo Center
45224 – 284th Avenue SE
Enumclaw, Washington USA

All Schedules Tentative – Committee Reserves Right To Make Changes

SCHEDULED EVENTS

Friday, July 28, 2017 Admission Free

Rampant Lion Pub, Tilted Kilt Pub & Food Vendors Open	5:30 p.m.
Piping: Donald MacRae Hornpipe & Jig Contest (Rampant Lion Pub).....	6:30 p.m.
Highland Weekend Kick Off (Pipes/Drums/Bands Grandstand).....	7:00 p.m.
Rising of the Clans & Flaming Saltire (Pipes/Drums/Bands Grandstand)	8:30 p.m.
Ceilidh (Indoor Celtic Arts Stage & Tilted Kilt Pub)	9:00 p.m.
Featured Performer (Rampant Lion Pub).....	9:00 p.m.

Saturday, July 29, 2017 and Sunday, July 30, 2017 Admission Prices Listed Below

Individual Piping and Drumming Events	8:00 a.m.
Individual Dancing Events, Saturday	8:30 a.m.
North American Scottish Athletics Championship	9:00 a.m.
Individual Dancing Events, Sunday	9:30 a.m.
Massed Bands / Welcoming Ceremony.....	12:30 p.m.
Harpers' Circle.....	1:00 p.m.
Pipe Band Events.....subject to change	1:45 p.m.
Massed Bands	approximately 5:30 p.m.
Ceilidh (Saturday only).....	7:00 p.m.

GATE HOURS

Friday	5:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.
Saturday	7:45 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.
Sunday	7:45 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

ADMISSION PRICES* AND PARKING FEE (Cash Transactions only)

Adult One-Day Ticket	\$17.00
Senior 60 & Over, Children 5-17 One-Day Ticket	\$12.00
Military – Active, Retired, Veteran (with valid military I.D.) One-Day Ticket only available at the gate.....	\$12.00
Adult Two-Day Ticket	\$25.00
Senior 60 & Over, Children 5-17 Two Day Ticket	\$18.00
Military – Active, Retired, Veteran (with valid military I.D.) Two-Day Ticket only available at the gate.....	\$18.00
Children Under 5	Free
Parking Per Day	\$ 7.00

Day of Games tickets after 4:00 p.m. half price. Limited events remain on Saturday and Sunday.

* Order advance discounted admission tickets with entry. See entry forms for details. **Competitors will receive gate passes for the days they are competing, and do not need to purchase admission tickets.**

APPLICATION AND COMPETITOR ENTRY INFORMATION

1. Online entry (preferred) is available at www.sshga.org. If entering via postal mail, submit each application and entry form to the addressee indicated on the specific form. Do not combine applications and entries with different submission addresses.
2. Fees must accompany applications and entry forms. NO REFUNDS. Returned checks will be charged bank fees plus a \$35 service charge.
3. All competitor entries and other application responses must be received by June 24, 2017.
4. Late applications, entries, field entries and competitor substitutions will not be accepted.
5. Competitor numbers, gate passes, and any advance admission tickets purchased will be e-mailed by July 10, 2017.
6. Everyone must have a gate pass or an admission ticket to get on the field Saturday or Sunday.

COMPETITOR ENTRANT TENTS AND CANOPIES

Tents and Canopies are allowed at the Pacific Northwest Highland Games and Clan Gathering provided that proof of insurance (\$1 Million coverage) is given or join the PNWSHGA insurance pool at \$15. Tents and canopies will be accessed a rental space fee plus the insurance fee. A reserved space and liability insurance may be purchased from the Clan Tents and Vendors Chairman Jim Johnstone at JimJohnGames@aol.com or 425-221-0444.

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CAMPING

On-Site:

Camping is permitted in designated areas only. Reservations taken for a minimum two-night stay, (Friday and Saturday) paid in advance. You may access the online reservation system beginning 8:00 AM, May 25 and ending 11:59 PM, July 1. In the event that any non-reserved campsites remain after the reservations close, these sites will be available beginning Wednesday morning, July 26 at 9AM, on a first-come, first-served basis. Visit our website at www.sshga.org for additional information, site map, rules, and online application form.

Dedicated hook-ups (power and water) are very limited and must be booked for all 4 nights. Partial hook-ups (power/water and power only) are limited. Only 350 sites total are available per night. There is no sewage or gray water disposal on the site. Sanikans with washing stations will be available in the camping area Thursday to Monday morning. Restrooms and showers are available inside the Expo Center grounds from 6:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Fees charged per site, per night, Wednesday through Sunday night. Total fee for entire stay charged at time of reservation or upon arrival. No refunds are available for camping fees. Please check in at Campground Office before proceeding to camping area.

On-Site Costs per night, per site:

Site with dedicated hook-up per night (must be booked for all 4 nights Th, F, Sat, Sun)	\$35.00
Site with power only	\$30.00
Site without hook-up per night	\$25.00

See www.sshga.org for camping map and application. Email: campers@sshga.org for additional information

Off-Site:

- Kanasket Palmer State Park (360) 886-0148 (reservations required)
- KOA Campground (253) 872-8652
- South Prairie Creek RV Park (360) 897-8465

DRIVING DIRECTIONS

Expo Center 45224 – 284th Avenue SE Enumclaw, Washington

From the North, go south on Interstate 405 to the Maple Valley Highway (State Route 169) and then south to Enumclaw.

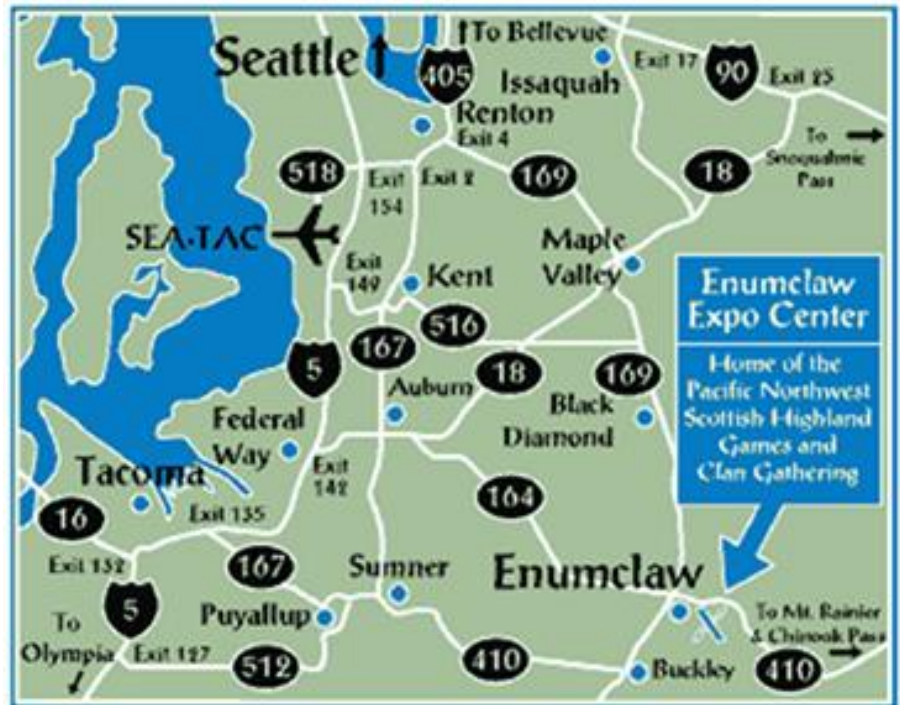
From Interstate 90, take State Route 18 to Maple Valley and then State Route 169 south to Enumclaw.

From Federal Way, take State Route 18 east to Auburn and then State Route 164 southeast to Enumclaw.

Once in Enumclaw, follow signs to the Expo Center. The grounds are at the southeast edge of Enumclaw, just off State Route 410 at 284th Avenue Southeast.

From Tacoma, take State Route 167 and then go east on State Route 410 to 284th Avenue Southeast.

From the south, take State Route 512 to Sumner and then State Route 410 to 284th Avenue Southeast.



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**NORTH AMERICAN SCOTTISH ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIP XII
PRE-ELITE CLASSES**

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Scottish Athletics Director: Colin Mathieson 206 498-3733 email: 16#hammer(at)sshga.org
Co-Director: Ken Shaw 360-486-2707

Saturday, July 29, 2017 (8am Check-In)

No. 20 Men's Class A
No. 30 Women's Class A

Men's Events Include:

17 lb. Open Stone	28 lb. Weight for Distance
20 lb. Sheaf Toss*	56 lb. Weight for Distance**
16 lb. Hammer	56 lb. Weight Over Bar-Standing**
Caber Toss	23 lb. Braemar Stone (Masters - *16 lb., **42 lb.)

Sunday, July 30, 2017 (8am Check-In)

No. 40 Master Men 40-49
No. 50 Master Men 50 & Up
No. 60 Master Women

Women's Events Include:

9 lb. Open Stone	14 lb. Weight for Distance
10 lb. Sheaf Toss	28 lb. Weight for Distance*
12 lb. Hammer	28 lb. Weight Over Bar-Standing*
Caber Toss	13 lb. Braemar Stone (Masters - *21lb.)

The overall winning Men's and Women's Class A and Master Athletes will be the North American Pre-Elite Champions.

ATHLETICS RULES

1. Championship governed by the rules of the SHA, using a winged trig and SHA tiebreakers.
2. Men's Class A and Master Men are each limited to 12 competitors and Women's Class A and Master Women are each limited to 6. Returning invitees receive first priority.
3. Each application will be added to a waiting list at www.nasgaweb.com/forum. Applicant information will be evaluated and the top ranked applicants will be invited to compete. Remaining vacancies, if any, will be filled by promptness of application.
4. The Athletics Committee reserves the right to split or combine classes and/or change or eliminate scheduled events.
5. Competitors **must** wear kilt, long hose, competition number and games shirt. Competitors receive number and shirt when arriving to compete.
6. A Men's Class A is one who, in the past two years, has competition records exceeding five or more of the following marks:

(a) 17 lb. Open Stone – 37 ft. (or Braemar – 30 ft.)	(d) 56 lb. Weight for Distance – 26 ft.
(b) 28 lb. Weight for Distance – 53 ft.	(e) 56 lb. Weight Over Bar, Standing – 12 ft.
(c) 16 lb. Scottish Hammer – 91 ft. (or 22 lbs. – 72 ft.)	(f) 20 lb. Sheaf Toss – 22 ft. (or 16 lb. – 24 ft.)
7. A Women's Class A is one who, in the past two years, has competition records exceeding five or more of the following marks:

(a) 9 lb. Open Stone – 28 ft. (or Braemar – 23 ft.)	(d) 28 lb. Weight for Distance – 26 ft.
(b) 14 lb. Weight for Distance – 48 ft.	(e) 28 lb. Weight Over Bar-Standing - 12 ft.
(c) 12 lb. Scottish Hammer – 65 ft. (or 16 lbs. – 52 ft.)	(f) 10 lb. Sheaf Toss – 20 ft. (or 12 lb. – 18 ft.)
8. A Master is one who is age 40 or older, and chooses to compete as such.

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9. Decisions of the Judges and Athletics Directors are final.

10. It is the responsibility of the competitor to pick up all awards at the Games, or request them in writing by October 31, 2017. Failure to do so will result in forfeiture of unclaimed awards.

11. Gate pass and any advance tickets purchased will be emailed by July 10, 2017. Everyone must have a pass or ticket to get on field.

12. For further information, contact the Director.

13. Results will be posted at www.nasgaweb.com/dbase.

ENTRY FEE (Including Invitees):\$25.00, nonrefundable if accepted as a competitor.

MEDALS: Awarded to first 3 places (requires one more competitor than place); 4th if 6 or more competitors, 5th if 8 or more; 6th if 10 or more.

AWARDS: (All paid by check.) A class must have at least four competitors in order for all awards to be presented.

Master: Medals. Trophy and \$200.00 to champions. \$100.00 to runners-up. Caber champions receive \$75.00. Champions, runners-up and caber champions are invited to next year's championship.

Class A: Medals. Trophy and \$300.00 to champions. \$150.00 to runners-up, \$75.00 to second runners-up. Caber champions receive trophy and \$100.00. Champions, runners-up and caber champions are invited to next year's championship.

Records: Class A's setting Games records receive \$50.00, Masters receive \$25.00, and all are invited to the next year's championship. Class A's setting new national record receive \$200.00 bonus (when posted), Masters receive \$150.00 bonus (when posted).

INVITATION: Invitees returning to compete receive \$50.00 for expenses and 35 cents per mile travel allowance, 600 miles maximum.

SCRUTINEERS: Competitors are encouraged to contact the Directors and volunteer to assist at the Games on day not competing.

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RULES FOR SCOTTISH ATHLETICS: IN EFFECT AT THE NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

I. THE DISTANCE EVENTS – Distance implements will be thrown on artificial turf surface from behind a wooden trig 6" high by 4'6" long. Back lines parallel to the trig will be drawn at 7'6" and 9'0". From the back two corners of the trig, wings will be drawn at 45 degree angles. From these wings, side lines 6'9' apart will extend to the 9'0" back line. All lines are a fair part of the throwing area.

The touching of any part of the trig (except for the vertical face nearest the competitor), or the area beyond the trig, or the area beyond the lines forming the throwing grid, by any part of competitors body will be a foul and count as a throw, whether the implement has been delivered or not. Touching the trig, or ground beyond with the hammer once wind-up has commenced will also be a foul.

The competitor must start and finish an attempt with at least one foot in the area behind the trig. The competitor may stop and restart the throw so long as no foul has occurred. The competitor may set the implement down or, if the judge permits, step out of the trig area. The competitor must remain on feet following a throw but may maintain balance by placing hand(s) on the fair area of the throwing surface. Competitors' footwear must be compatible with artificial turf.

a-Putting the Stones: The implement will be a rounded stone weighing 17 or 23 pounds for men and 9 or 13 pounds for women. The stone shall be put from in front of the shoulder using one hand only. In the Open style, the approach shall not exceed 7'6". In the Braemar, there is no approach. Competitor's feet must remain in contact with the ground but reversing the feet on release is permitted.

b-Throwing the Weights: Each implement will be a metal weight with chain and handle attached, the total weight being 28 or 56 (or 42) pounds for men and 14 or 28 (or 21) pounds for women. The implement will measure not more than 18" overall. The weight shall be delivered using one hand only. The approach shall not exceed 9'0".

c-Throwing the Hammer: The implement will be a spherical metal head, on a shaft of cane, the total weight being 16 or 22 pounds for men and 12 or 16 pounds for women. The overall length will be 50". The hammer shall be thrown standing style. Side and back lines are not used.

Each competitor will be allowed three throws. Throws are restricted to a 60 degree sector (hammer 40 degrees). The implement (not including handle) must land within the outer edges of the lines marking the sector to be scored. Each throw will be measured from a point on the side of the trig nearest the competitor, nearest to where the throw or plant foot was placed (in the open stone and weights) or at the center of the competitors stance (in the Braemar

stone and the hammer), to the nearest break in the ground made by the implement (not including handle). Measurements will be rounded down to the nearest quarter inch.

Placing will be determined by best throw. In the event of a tie, those places will be determined by the next best throw(s). Ties not broken by this method remain ties. Competitors still tied for first shall make one additional attempt to break the tie. If there is no decision, the event remains tied.

After an event is complete, and time permits, the winner will be given three attempts to set new records. The competitor may use all, some or none of these extra attempts.

II. THE HEIGHT EVENTS Height implements will be tossed over a crossbar similar to a pole vault bar. The crossbar will be suspended by ropes.

a- Tossing the Weight for Height: The implement will be a metal weight with handle attached, the total weight being 56 (or 42) pounds for men and 28 (or 21) pounds for women. The toss shall be made using one hand only. "Spinning" is not permitted.

b- Tossing the Sheaf: The implement will be a burlap bag containing rope fiber, the total weight being 20 (or 16) pounds for men and 10 pounds for women. The toss shall be made using a pitchfork not longer than 5'0" with at least two tines. Competitors are permitted to use their own pitchforks and are not required to share them with other competitors.

Each competitor will be allowed three attempts at each height. The competitors may toss or pass at any height without penalty. Three consecutive misses (except in a tie breaker) eliminates a competitor from the event. Starting height will be as agreed upon by the competitors and the judge with the judge having the final decision. The bar is raised in larger increments until five or fewer competitors remain and will then be raised by the amount requested by the competitors and agreed to by the judge. At 70 minutes past the scheduled start, and at the beginning of the next height, the event can go into a one attempt per height elimination (if the judge deems it necessary to remain on schedule). All measurements will be made from the ground to the top of the bar at its lowest point and will be rounded down to the nearest half inch.

Placing will be determined by the best toss. In the event of a tie, those places will be determined by the fewest misses at the next lower height(s). Ties not broken by this method remain ties. Competitors still tied for first shall make one additional attempt at the current height. If there is no decision, the bar will be lowered (if all have failed) or raised (if two or more have cleared) by an amount determined by the judge. The tied competitors shall make one attempt at each height until a winner is decided. In the process of breaking a ties, a pass will be a missed attempt.

When all have failed except one, time permitting and no tie breaker was used, that competitor may continue until having had three consecutive misses. Any record must be achieved within that competition.

III. CABOR TOSS: A qualifying caber will be used to determine the better caber tossers and any successful turn qualifies the competitor for the event. Attempts on the qualifying caber will be scored and can be used to determine placing.

Each competitor will be allowed three attempts on each caber. No trig or stance will be used, the competitor taking any length run from where-ever chosen. An attempt will commence when the competitor is left alone with the set up caber. Dropping the small end of the caber back to the ground after having picked it up, or allowing the caber to fall, counts as an attempt.

Placing will be determined by best turn. In the event of a tie, those places will be determined by next best turn(s) including those of the qualifying caber. Ties not broken by this method remain ties. Competitors still tied for first shall make one additional attempt (on a larger caber, if available) to break the tie. If there is not decision, the event remains tied.

In the event the caber is broken before all competitors have had two attempts, and a spare caber of approximate equal size and difficulty is available, then all the rounds of competition will be repeated, negating the scores on the broken caber. If a proper spare is not available, then the fully completed rounds of the broken caber will be scored.

IV GENERAL RULES: a- Bans or suspensions as a result of a failed drug test, from any sport, will be enforced. No banned or suspended person will be permitted to compete while the ban/suspension is in effect.

b-The judge may eliminate a competitor from an event if it is felt that the competitor will cause harm to self or others. A competitor who displays poor sportsmanship or engages in inappropriate conduct may be removed from the competition.

c-Competitors must compete in kilt, long hose and games shirt.

d-A limit of two minutes will be applied to each individual attempt, three minutes when competitor follows self. Time starts when implement is delivered to throwing area.

e-No practice throws from the trig or at the uprights will be allowed.

f-In the open stone, weights and sheaf events, any throwing style may be used as long as it is deemed safe by the judge and the rules are followed.

g-No device which assists a competitor when making throws will be allowed: i.e. taping of fingers together, straps, etc. This does not preclude the use of gloves, non-slip preparations, or the taping of individual fingers.

h-In the event of a tie, the points for those places will be added together and divided evenly among the tied competitors.

i-Competitors must make a least one attempt in every event in order to place in overall competition.

j-In the event of a tie in overall points, placing will be determined by the number of events won, then seconds, thirds, etc. Ties not resolved in this manner will be broken using only the results of the Open Stone, the Light Weight for Distance, the Light Hammer and the Caber Toss.

PRE-ELITE ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIP APPLICATION FORM XII
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Returned Checks Will Be Charged Bank Fees Plus a \$35 Service Charge
 One athlete per application. Photocopies of this form are acceptable.

Online application (preferred) and credit card payment available beginning Midnight April 2, 2017 at www.sshga.org/games/competitorInfo/Athletics/htm

NAME _____ PRIMARY PHONE _____
 Print name as it should be listed in program and NASGA database

ADDRESS _____ SECONDARY PHONE _____

CITY _____ STATE/PROVINCE _____ ZIP/POSTAL CODE _____

DATE OF BIRTH _____ T-SHIRT SIZE _____ EMAIL _____

SCORES: A complete list of scores MUST accompany application to be eligible to compete. Applicants intentionally misstating personal records may be excluded from this and future championships. Applications submitted without scores will be returned.

Games Records Held _____

Championships Won _____

Best Competition Scores:

Stone Put _____ feet x _____ pounds	Heavy Weight for Distance _____ feet x _____ pounds
Stone Style (check one) _____ Open _____ Braemar	Weight Over Bar, Standing _____ feet x _____ pounds
Light Weight for Distance _____ feet x _____ pounds	Sheaf Toss _____ feet x _____ pounds
Scottish Hammer _____ feet x _____ pounds	Caber – Largest Turned _____ length x _____ pounds

CLASSES OFFERED: "X" class entered. Note event days and times.

Saturday, July 29, 2017 (8am check-in)

Sunday, July 30, 2017 (8am check-in)

____ No. 20 Men's Class A
 ____ No. 30 Women's Class A

____ No. 40 Master Men 40-49
 ____ No. 50 Master Men 50 & Up
 ____ No. 60 Master Women

FEES: \$ _____ Entry Fee \$25 (Competitors receive gate pass for day competing)
 \$ _____ One-Day Discounted Adult Tickets \$14.00
 \$ _____ One-Day Discounted Senior 60 & Over, Tickets \$9.00
 \$ _____ One-Day Discounted Children 5-17 Tickets \$9.00
 \$ _____ Two-Day Discounted Adult Tickets \$22.00
 \$ _____ Two-Day Discounted Senior 60 & Over Tickets \$15.00
 \$ _____ Two-Day Discounted Children 5-17 Tickets \$15.00
 \$ _____ TOTAL ENCLOSED (U.S. funds, payable to SSHGA) NONREFUNDABLE IF ACCEPTED AS COMPETITOR

For this application to be accepted, this waiver must be signed by a Parent or Guardian if athlete is under 18 years of age, or by the athlete if 18 years of age or older. In consideration for the acceptance of this application, I hereby waive and release for myself, my heirs, executors and assignees, any and all rights and claims for damages I may have against the Seattle Scottish Highland Games Association, Inc. or the Enumclaw Expo Center and their representatives, successors and assignees, for any and all injuries I suffer at or through these Highland Games. I also understand that the Seattle Scottish Highland Games Association, Inc. may use, for publicity of the Pacific Northwest Scottish Highland Games & Clan Gathering, pictures of the athlete's participation in this event without obligation or liability.

 Date Signature of Athlete, if age 18 & Over Signature of Parent or Guardian, if athlete is under 18 years of age

Submit application to: Colin Mathieson, SSHGA Athletics Director
 21420 15th Ave. S.
 Des Moines, WA 98198 US