



Tundra Thistle

The Newsletter of the Alaskan Scottish Club

Volume 30 Number 6

June 2024

Games Day Tips:

1. Get there early!

Opening Ceremonies are at 10am Saturday

2. Bring Your Own Cup

Remember that beer/wine cup you got at the Beer Tent last year? Bring it back this year and continue to use it – you don't have to buy a new one! It'll save you \$10.00.

3. Buy tickets in advance and save!

(or volunteer and get in free!)



The Alaska Scottish Highland Games is honored to host the 2024 Scottish Highland Games Women's World Championship. This year, we are thrilled to welcome ten of the most formidable female athletes from around the globe to compete for the title of World Champion! Ready to meet the warriors? Photos and bios start on page 6.

Games Volunteers Needed!

Alone we can do so little; together, we can do so much!! Please consider volunteering at the Games on June 29th and 30th in Palmer. Volunteer for your good health!

- 76% of people who volunteer say it makes them healthier.
- 94% of people who volunteer say it improves their mood.
- 95% of people who volunteer say it made their community a better place.
- 87% of people who volunteer say it makes them stronger team players at work.

It takes over 200 people to set up, run, and dismantle the annual games. Please consider the donation of your time and talents to help with the clans. Did you come to see the pipe and drummers? Perhaps the up-close position as a judge's aide would fire your heart, or encourage the next generation of Highland athletes by volunteering with the children's games. This is a short list of the many opportunities to volunteer at the games. Volunteers are not paid not because they are worthless, but because they are priceless!

Email Christa Wallace at volunteers@alaskanscottish.org. We'd love to hear from you!

Advance-purchase Scotch and Mead Tasting Tickets are Available on-line only at:

<https://alaskanscottish.ticketspice.com/2023ashg>

4. Start the Kids at the Gathering O' the Clans

Pick up a Games passport, spend the day collecting stamps around the Fairgrounds all day (and win a prize for doing so!)

First Ever Event

Denali Stone Challenge



Lifting of the Dinnie Stones in Scotland

Modeled after the Dinnie Stones in Scotland, athletes are being challenged to lift the Denali Stones on Sunday June 30 at the Games. Each athlete will get one attempt to lift the stones. One weighs 470 pounds, the other weighs 360.

Here's how it works: The stones begin on the ground. The Athlete then grips the handles either placing one on the right and one on the left side of the body, or they may place one in front and one behind the body. Athlete will pick the implements up vertically. For a successful lift, The athlete must be standing and showing full locked out in the upper and lower body. The implements need to be entirely lifted from the ground. Once the athlete lifts the stone by the handles and is standing fully locked out, the down command will be given and the athlete will be credited with a successful lift. The athlete only need lift the stones once to complete the challenge.

Will anyone be able to lift them this year? Be there on Sunday June 30 to see for yourself!

To qualify to register to lift, go to <https://ironpodium.com/browse/event/denali-stones>

Sponsored by Anchor of Iron Gym and Granite



Vendor News and Discounts:

Sport Kilt Adds Alaska Tartan to Collection



Sport Kilt has been working with the ASC to make the Alaska Tartan available. To date, they have received and approved the hand loom and production samples, now it's finishing up being woven in bulk. They are currently waiting for an ETA from

the shipping company, and hope to have some kilts made to bring to Alaska for the Games. They are hoping to have it on their website for sale in advance. If they do, we'll send out a special message so you can place your order. See their line of products at www.sportkilt.com

Shipping Discount for Haggis



Macski's Highland Food and Gear is donating almost 20 pounds of haggis to us for the Games haggis eating contest. They are shipping the haggis frozen, overnight, and have offered to let club members piggyback onto the order and pay the local shipping rate, without the Alaska upcharge if the order can be combined with the club's order. It will all be shipped to one location, and will be held (frozen) for you to pick up.

How to order:

1. Check out the selections at [Food | Macskishighlandfoods \(thehaggisshop.com\)](http://Food.Macskishighlandfoods.com)
2. Contact Cathy Steen, (907)440-6540, to place your order. She will figure out your percentage of the local shipping rate for your order.
3. Order by June 10th for discount shipping rate.

Contests and Activities for all ages:

Shortbread Entries

Shortbread can be turned in to the Club Information tent in the circle in front of Raven Hall all day Saturday, and Sunday until 11:30. The judging will take place on the Culloden Memorial Stage at 12:30.

Midnight Sun Spurtle Competition

Sunny summer mornings are a favorite time to eat breakfast outdoors. Today was one of those days. The birds were chirping, a bit of dew on the grass, the sun shining on the freshly planted garden and there I sat with my bowl of Steel cut oats. All I need is my kilt to feel like a highlander. My oatmeal, of course, is made with my spurtle, held in my right hand and stirring clockwise to have good luck not just all day but all summer.

The Midnight Sun Spurtle competition is just around the corner. This is a great time to compete with others to show

off your oatmeal skills. The contest is Saturday, June 29 starting at 12 noon for ages 11-17 and 18 and above begins at 1:15pm. This is an event that you do not want to miss. Hurry, spaces are limited!! See the link below for complete details:

<https://alaskanscottish.regfox.com/ashgmidnightsunspurtle>

Tall Tales Competition

No need to pre-enter the Tall Tales Competition. Just come to the Culloden Memorial stage at the Gatherin' o' the Clans on Saturday at 2:00, with your best Tall Tale prepared. It's a fun and free-wheeling competition to watch or participate in.

Kilted Mile

Got a kilt? Can you run, jog, walk or otherwise perambulate a mile? Registration is free at the purple gate wishing well from 11 – 1, and the race starts at 1:30.

Haggis-eating Contest

How fast can you down a pound of haggis? Come give it a try Saturday at 4 on the Culloden Stage

Learn to Throw like the Big Folks

Games athletes will be helping children learn to throw with mini, light-weight versions of the Scottish athletic implements. Stop by any time between 11 and 4 on Saturday or Sunday. Check the printed schedule for location.

Scotch Tasting Details

By Christa Wallace

As we all await the start of the games, we have been teasing you into excitement about our guest distilleries. The 2024 ASHG presents for your enjoyment products from the importer William Grant and Sons: Glenfiddich, Monkey Shoulder, The Balvenie and new this year, the Scottish gin Hendricks. This year's host is Sebastien Derbomez.

New to this year's tasting lineup are Monkey Shoulder and Hendrick's Gin.

According to their website, Monkey Shoulder is a blend of small batch, single malt whisky from Speyside's finest, which brings forth smooth, balanced tasting notes of honey, orange and vanilla. Originally crafted to create the perfect Old Fashioned, its aroma and palate make Monkey Shoulder perfect for mixing. Rich, vibrant, and not overly fruity, this blended whisky can elevate any cocktail.

According to their website, no other gin tastes like Hendrick's gin because no other gin is made like Hendrick's. Infused with the remarkable Bulgarian Rosa Damascena and specially selected cucumbers from the finest producers. Hendrick's gin is distilled in not one but two dissimilar sorts of still. The two leaders of this particular ensemble of stills are the Bennett, an antique copper pot dating right back to 1860, and the Carter-Head, hailing from 1948. The Bennett steeps the botanicals in spirit overnight prior to distillation

resulting in a rich, complex liquid. Whereas the Carter-Head gently steams the botanicals in a basket atop its lofty neck, so influence is imparted upon the spirit in something akin to a botanical steam bath of subtle flavors: orris root, yarrow, chamomile, lemon peel, angelica root, juniper, elderflower, cubeb berries, caraway seed, coriander, and orange peel.

There are four educational sessions scheduled and one high-end tasting. Here are the days and times for each:

Saturday 1:30 and Sunday 4:00 tastings feature Hendrick's Gin, Monkey Shoulder and the Balvenie

Saturday 4:00 and Sunday 1:30 tastings feature Hendrick's Gin and Glenfiddich.

Saturday at 5:30 is the High-End Scotch tasting.

Don't dawdle, get your tickets now.

<https://alaskanscottish.ticketspice.com/ashgtickets>.

Mead: The Ancient Quaff of Heroes

By Christa Wallace

The ASHG is pleased to host **Beard Brothers Meadery** for their 3rd annual Mead tasting. The tastings are Saturday and Sunday at 11:30.

For those of you unfamiliar with Mead, it is the first known alcoholic beverage consumed by mankind and is believed to predate wine by nearly three thousand years. Like wine, mead can be aged for a period of months or years, typically contains 10-14% alcohol, and is **gluten-free**.

From Texas wildflowers to Florida orange blossoms; honey tastes like the flowers of its local region, so for Alaska it's fireweed. How mead tastes depends on the type of honey, how dry or sweet it was crafted to be, and whether or not additional flavors were added. Traditional mead contains only honey, water, and yeast; however, there are many varieties of mead that include fruits, spices, and herbs.

Mead was the primary drink of Celtic and Germanic heroic poetry. One of the earliest mentions of mead is in Beowulf, the Anglo Saxon story based mainly in a great mead hall

I have never seen Mead enjoyed more in any hall on earth.

Vikings were particularly fond of mead and Norse mythology prominently features mead as the sacred drink of warriors and poets.

Today mead is experiencing a resurgence in popularity. People looking for a paleo-friendly or gluten free alcoholic beverage are seeking out mead as a new alternative. An interest in local craft beverages and beverages made with local ingredients is also helping to fuel the growth of mead. Whatever the reason, the Beard Brothers are glad you are interested, and look forward to offering you their new interpretations of this ancient drink.

Sponsorships Still Available

For over 40 years, the ASHG has showcased our heritage and culture with the people of the State of Alaska. It would not be possible to hold the event without the sponsorship of people like you. Sponsorships help keep our gate fee low, making this an affordable community event. Sponsorships help us bring up excellent musicians from throughout the US and the world, and pay local performers to entertain us throughout the day. You can even be a sponsor (or jointly sponsor one of your favorite events!) Love that Tall Tales competition? Sponsor it!

All of our sponsorship packages include access to the ASHG, and to the Sponsor Hospitality Tent, where food and beverages are available throughout the day. If you have any questions, please contact Dorothy, Cathy or Tonda at 907-440-6540 or sponsors@alaskanscottish.org

Pre-Games Promo Events

Come visit our booth at any of these promotional events:

June 7: JBER Military Appreciation Picnic 11am-3pm

June 7-9: Colony Days Marketplace (Booth)

June 8: Colony Days Parade (Put on a kilt and join us!!)

June 15: Wasilla Music in The Park 12pm-6pm

June 21: Friday Fling, Palmer 11am-6pm

June 22: Wasilla Music in The Park 12pm-6pm

June 22: Anchorage Downtown Summer Solstice Festival 12pm-5pm

Highland Heavy Athletics Is Truly A Family Event

by Sherri Borchert

The season is upon us where the snow is melting, the birds are chirping, everything is greening up, and the athletes are shaking off the rust of the winter by getting out and throwing things in preparation of upcoming competitions. When we gather at the Alaska Scottish Highland Games in Palmer, it feels like a huge, annual family reunion. We catch up with what has been happening in our lives over the past year, we share our wins (and losses) both on the field and in life, and lots of laughter and hugs are shared. The energy in the tent is absolutely electric.

Not only do we have our largest group of registered athletes yet, but we also have more families competing together! We are currently over 140 registered athletes between the 2-day event. Of those we have at least 8 sets of significant others, 6 sets of siblings, and 10 sets of parents with children competing in the junior and adult divisions.

We will have athletes competing from at least 14 states including Alaska as well as at least 2 other countries represented. This is a "bucket list" games for many that live outside of Alaska. We are so proud and thrilled that we are able to put on such an amazing event that it draws so many

people together. If you've ever thought of competing, my only advice is to DO IT!! You won't find a more welcoming group of people from every walk of life coming together to better themselves and everyone around them. And if it seems too intimidating to do alone, grab a family member and share the shenanigans together.



2024 ASHG Honored School:

Cottonwood Creek Elementary School

We are thrilled to announce that Cottonwood Creek Elementary School in Wasilla is the 2024 ASHG Honored School! To celebrate, the Alaskan Scottish Club (ASC) has gifted a ticket to the 2024 Alaska Scottish Highland Games to every student and staff member at the school!

The excitement didn't stop there! For their final day of school for the year, some of our amazing Heavy Events Athletes and ASC Board Members joined Cottonwood Creek's field day. Not only did they demonstrate the throwing events, but they also taught the kids how to throw, giving them a chance to be Highland Games Athletes for a day. It was an unforgettable experience for everyone involved!

Congratulations once again to Cottonwood Creek Elementary School! We can't wait to see you all at the 2024 Alaska Scottish Highland Games!

The ASHG Honored School is a community outreach initiative of the ASC. Each year, we select an elementary school with whom to share our rich Scottish culture and the excitement of the Highland Games.

If you'd like your school to be considered for the Honored School Program in 2025, please email us at ashg@alaskanscottish.org.

Regional Highland Games Announcements:

Kachemak Bay Scottish Club & the
Alaskan Scottish Club Present:



The 2024 Kachemak Bay Highland Games

Saturday, July 6th

Come and Enjoy a Great Day of Family Friendly
Entertainment, Games for the Littles and Experience
Scottish Culture at its Best

KAREN HORNADAY PARK
475 FAIRVIEW AVENUE HOMER, ALASKA

SATURDAY, JULY 6th

9 am until completion of the athletic events

ADMISSION IS \$10 PER ADULT

CHILDREN 16 and Under & ACCOMPANIED BY A
PAYING ADULT ARE FREE

Seating is limited everyone is encouraged to bring a
chair or blanket, pop-up cover as this event is
conducted rain or shine so be prepared!

Barony of IceFire Bay, Local Vendors, Food & Fun
for All Ages

Musical Performances

The Harp Twins with the Volfgang Twins

Pre-Games Ceilidh
(Pronounced Kay Lee which Means Party!)

Come and join us for Great Beverages, Food & Frolic
at Grace Ridge Brewery, Friday, July 5th 870 Smokey
Bay Way, Homer, Alaska

Take advantage of this opportunity to Support Local
Businesses and Enjoy a Good Meal, Great Company
and of course, Delicious Beverages!

Tickets at [Kachemak Bay Highland Games](http://kachemakbayhighlandgames.com)
(kachemakbayhighlandgames.com)

Kelso, WA Highland Games

Sept. 14 &
15 Free
Admission!!

Kelso Highlander
Festival and Scottish
Games Kelso, WA



Follow us:
www.facebook.com/highlanderfestival

www.kelso.gov

- Music (Wicked Tinkers, Beltaine)
- Food
- Highland Games
- Dance Competition
- Craft Vendors
- Parade
- Fun!!

THE ALASKAN SCOTTISH CLUB



ATTENTION ALL GOLFERS: Registration is now open for
the ASC's 3rd Annual Tartan Tourney, Saturday July 27th
at Settlers Bay Golf Course!

The Tartan Tourney isn't just a golf tournament; it's a
Scottish spectacle that will redefine your expectations of
golfing entertainment in Alaska! Can you handle the
excitement? Join us and find out!

Current Alaskan Scottish Club members receive a discount
on their registration, request your coupon code via email at
tartantourney@alaskanscottish.org to

Don't Miss out, register today:
<https://alaskanscottish.org/fox.com/tartantourney>

Introducing the 2024 Women's

World Championship Contenders



Amarissa Handy - USA

Nickname: The Clydesdale

Age: 26

Occupation: Registered Dietitian

Years Competing: Highland Games 3 years, overall throwing experience ~12 years

Notable Accomplishments: 3rd at Women's Worlds two years in a row, holds records for the furthest open/Braemar stone throws in over a decade

Favorite Event: Stones

Favorite Color: Purple

Spirit Animal: Snow Leopard

Fun Fact (Games Related): Clan Ross member, wears the Ross tartan kilt

Fun Fact (Not Games Related): Type-1 diabetic using an insulin pump and continuous glucose monitor

Most Excited About in Alaska: The stunning outdoor scenery and visiting Denali National Park

Clan: Ross



Elissa Van Vleck - USA

Nickname: Haitian Sensation

Age: 35

Occupation: 4th Grade Teacher

Years Competing: 10

Notable Accomplishments: Multiple world records, Women's World Champion 2016, National and North American Champ 2018, ranked #1 female three out of the last six years

Favorite Event: Weight for Distance

Favorite Colors: Yellow and Orange

Spirit Animal: Raccoon

Fun Fact (Games Related): Only woman to hold all sheaf world records simultaneously

Fun Fact (Not Games Related): Loves paddleboarding

Most Excited About in Alaska: The diverse wildlife

Clan: Stewart



Emily Adams - USA

Nickname: Sunshine

Age: 39

Occupation: Product Engineer

Years Competing: 9

Notable Accomplishments: World record holder in 12# & 16# sheaf toss, USATF Masters American record holder in weight throw, USATF Masters 2024 National Champion

Favorite Events: Heavy Weight for Distance, Caber, Sheaf Toss

Favorite Color: Yellow

Spirit Animal: Panda

Fun Fact (Games Related): Adds glitter to her tacky for sparkly hands

Fun Fact (Not Games Related): DIY home improvement enthusiast

Most Excited About in Alaska: Moose and meeting Jeni

Clan: None



Hannah Linzay - USA

Nickname: Swampy or The Swamp Monster

Age: 33

Occupation: Steel Worker

Years Competing: 4

Notable Accomplishments: Professional strongwoman, multiple top placements in major competitions, world record in Thor's Hammer deadlift

Favorite Event: Weight Over Bar

Favorite Color: Not pink

Spirit Animal: Alligator

Fun Fact (Games Related): Struggles with two-turn throws in WFD

Fun Fact (Not Games Related): Proud owner of a pitbull named Maxwell

Most Excited About in Alaska: The beautiful landscapes

Clan: Johnston (by fiancé's family)



Jamesia Milton - USA

Nickname: Mesia

Age: 30

Occupation: Case Manager

Years Competing: 4

Notable Accomplishments: World record holder in Light Weight for Distance, 2022 amateur women's world champion

Favorite Event: Hammers

Favorite Color: Blue

Spirit Animal: Wolf

Fun Fact (Games Related): Wears a kilt previously owned by two professional Highland Games athletes

Fun Fact (Not Games Related): Passionate about mental health advocacy

Most Excited About in Alaska: The breathtaking views and cultural experiences

Clan: Possibly Reynolds (per family discussion)



Jessica Bridenthal - USA

Nickname: Jess

Age: 32

Occupation: Associate Head Coach (Throws) at Hillsdale College

Years Competing: 6

Notable Accomplishments: 2017 World Champion, 2018 World Runner-Up, HWFD world record holder

Favorite Event: Sheaf

Favorite Color: Orange

Spirit Animal: Dragon

Fun Fact (Games Related): Her fiancé, Jared Conklin, also competes in the Highland Games

Fun Fact (Not Games Related): Proud owner of two corgis, Albus Dumblecorg and Fleur Delacorg

Most Excited About in Alaska: Traveling on the glass train

Clan: Graham



Kristine Rothwell - USA

Nickname: Kristeenie Weenie

Age: 33

Occupation: Dairy Goat Farmer, Track and Field Throws Coach

Years Competing: 6

Notable Accomplishments: 2nd at Worlds four years in a row (2019, 2021, 2022, 2023)

Favorite Event: Heavy Weight for Distance

Favorite Color: Sage Green

Spirit Animal: Horse (goats are a close second)

Fun Fact (Games Related): Has competed in 15 states and Canada

Fun Fact (Not Games Related): Owns an Irish Wolfhound named Caber

Most Excited About in Alaska: The scenery and wildlife

Clan: None, wears "All-Ireland" kilt



Meagan McKee - USA

Nickname: Megatron

Age: 32

Occupation: High School Social Studies Teacher

Years Competing: 10

Notable Accomplishments: 4-time Women's World Champion, holds records in Heavy and Light Hammer

Favorite Events: Hammers and Caber

Favorite Colors: Blue and Purple

Spirit Animal: Mighty Sloth

Fun Fact (Games Related): Her father, Ron McKee, was a professional thrower

Fun Fact (Not Games Related): Can move her nose and ears at the same time

Most Excited About in Alaska: The Salmon Toss

Clan: MacKay



Sian Cooper - Australia

Nickname: She Bulk

Age: 42

Occupation: Ophthalmic Device Specialist

Years Competing: 1

Notable Accomplishments: Current Australian Champion with four national records

Favorite Event: Light Weight for Distance

Favorite Color: Turquoise

Spirit Animal: Tasmanian Devil

Fun Fact (Games Related): Set a national record for Light Weight for Distance in her first competition

Fun Fact (Not Games Related): Enjoys cosplay and SFX makeup

Most Excited About in Alaska: Competing alongside the world's best and making new friends

Clan: Stewart



Susie Lajoie - Canada

Nickname: Sooze

Age: 32

Occupation: Strength & Conditioning Coach

Years Competing: 16

Notable Accomplishments: 3-time Canadian Champion, holds Canadian records in HWFD and hammer

Favorite Event: Caber

Favorite Color: Burnt Orange

Spirit Animal: Mountain Goat

Fun Fact (Games Related): Missing half her middle finger, making hook grip impossible

Fun Fact (Not Games Related): Supported troops in Latvia and Kuwait on civilian deployments






Most Excited About in Alaska: Denali State Park

Clan: Wears Nova Scotia tartan, open to any clan

Prepare to witness these extraordinary warriors battle for glory and honor at the 2024 Alaska Scottish Highland Games!

Contact Information for Alaska Pipe Bands:	
Crow Creek Pipes & Drums Practice every Monday, 6:00 p.m. First Congregational Church, 2610 E Northern lights Blvd. http://crowcreekpd.com/	Fairbanks Red Hackle Pipe Band P.O. 82782 Fairbanks, Alaska www.fairbanksredhacklepipeband.org
Alaska Celtic Pipes & Drums Lessons on Tuesdays - 6:30 pm - Mat-Su College; Lessons on Fridays - 5:30 pm - Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, Chugiak: Band Practice to follow. Contact Richard Christiansen - 907-315-9838 www.alaskacelticpipesdrums.org	Anchorage Scottish Pipe Band Practices Monday, 6:00 to 8:00pm (Anchorage) and Thursday, 6:30 to 8:30pm (Eagle River) Lessons: Thursday, 6:00pm (Eagle River), or by appointment Contact: Tim Kincaid, 907-360-2585; Email: tim@terntech.com Find us on Facebook
Alaska Piping and Drumming Society Contact Teddy Krogh at krogh_teddy@hotmail.com	City of Juneau Pipe Band Juneau, Alaska www.cityofjuneaupipeband.org

Scottish Club Supporters/Club Contacts

<p>MAPPING SOLUTIONS</p>  <p>Custom maps and graphics (907) 561-4627 Mapmakers.com</p>	<div> <p>AMANDA KERR SUZUKI VIOLIN & FIDDLE STUDIO Weekly Private Lessons and Group Classes for Age 3 and up Variety of fiddle styles!</p>   <p><i>Register NOW online for Spring Semester Jan. 14th - May 21st</i></p> <p>Complete information available on the website: www.amandakerrmusic.com</p> <p><small>Amanda Kerr holds State, Regional, and National titles for Fiddling and is teacher-certified in the Suzuki Method (Every Child Can, Suzuki Principles in Action, Violin Units 1 & 2), and Music Mind Games.</small></p> </div>
 <p>Go online to www.alaskanscottish.org and click the membership link.</p> <p>Mail a check to ASC, PO Box 244416, Anchorage, AK 99524.</p> <p>Call 907-602-0901 and provide payment information.</p> <p>Visit the ASC booth community events to pay in person.</p>	<p>Club Scholarship Program</p> <p>The Alaskan Scottish Club Education Assistance Program offers individual grants up to \$500 per applicant for schools or workshops and up to \$1,500 for a post-secondary educational institution. See the club's website for more information and to access the application https://alaskanscottish.org/club-membership/</p> <p>If you have any questions regarding the program, please contact Committee chair, Christa Wallace at Volunteers@alaskanscottish.org</p> <p>Back Issues of the Thistle</p> <p>Ever wanted to check out old issues of the Thistle? Maybe to find that steak pie recipe from two years ago, or see who won the tug-o-war at last year's Games? Back issues may be found at:</p> <p>https://us11.campaign-archive.com/home/?u=6523ba4c42aca618e88eb6b99&id=f54a8e4ad1</p>
<p>Gaming Permit</p> <p>The ASC possesses an Alaska Gaming Permit. This Permit allows the club to hold our fundraising raffles and auctions. The ASC is allowed to use our permit to sponsor raffles for other Non-Profits for their events and fundraisers. If you are in need of a gaming permit for an upcoming event please let us know.</p>	 <p>The Club can earn airline miles at the same time you earn your own! The Easy Biz program allows the club to earn 1 mile for every dollar spent on the base fare portion of ticket purchases made online through the EasyBiz® website. Simply sign in to EasyBiz for your travel purchases and each purchase will automatically be credited to the Club's account along with your own! Interested in signing up? Send Jeni an email and she will get you on our account! jeni@alaskanscottish.org</p>

Club Calendar

Colony Days Parade

June 8, 10am
Palmer

Scottish Club Board Meeting

June 17, 6 pm
Blood Bank of Alaska Board Room

Alaska Scottish Highland Games and Gathering of the Clans

June 29 – 30, All day
Alaska State Fairgrounds, Palmer

Kachemak Bay Highland Games

July 6, 2024 9 am 'til we're done
Karen Hornaday Park
Homer, Alaska

Tartan Tourney

July 27
Settler's Bay Golf Course

NOTE: Thistle information gratefully received at all times. However, to make the monthly deadline, please submit by the 25th. Send to tundrathistle@alaskanscottish.org

The Tundra Thistle, the newsletter of the Alaskan Scottish Club, is published approximately 11 times each year. Subscription is by membership to the Alaskan Scottish Club. Send articles for publication, membership info, and advertising rate inquiries to:

Editor, Tundra Thistle, Alaskan Scottish Club, Inc.
P.O. Box 244416 Anchorage, AK 99524-4416

Thanks to our contributors for the April issue: Cathy Steen, Christa Wallace, Teddy Krough, Jeni McDaniel, Allison Fiscus, Sherri Borchert, Tonda Scott Photos by John Whipple

Alaskan Scottish Club

Board of Directors

Cathy Steen, President	president@alaskanscottish.org
Christa Wallace, Vice President	volunteers@alaskanscottish.org
Nelson Alger, Secretary	secretary@alaskanscottish.org
Christina McCoskey, Treasurer	sharkicte@yahoo.com
David Wallace	akmedic2000@gmail.com
Sherri Borchert	ak_snowangel04@yahoo.com
Michael Miller	aksctsmn@mtaonline.net
Tonda Scott	membership@alaskanscottish.org
Maggie Wallace	margaretwallaecak@gmail.com

Executive Director: Jeni McDaniel, jeni@alaskanscottish.org
Cell: 907-602-0901

Board Members Emeritus: Robert J. Dickson, Rod Finkle, Tim Kincaid

The Alaskan Scottish Club is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) entity and can accept cash and services. Cash donations are welcome at any time of the year. For those with corporate matching programs, we are eligible for those funds. You can contact the Board of Directors at the above address with questions. Facebook and Instagram contacts are:

Facebook: www.facebook.com/AlaskanScottish (Club page)
www.facebook.com/alaskashg (Highland Games page)



Alaskan Scottish Club
PO Box 244416
Anchorage, AK 99524