



The Fall 2017
Spur and Phoenix



Chief: The Right Honourable Earl of Annandale and Hartfell

Clan Johnston/e in America

President's Letter

Dear CJA Members,

I want to recognize the outstanding efforts under way by our tent hosts and their volunteer teams. Beverly and I had a wonderful time at the Grandfather Mountain Games whereby we met Shane and Leslie Johnson, CJA tent hosts. They and Buz Johnson did a great job of promoting our shared Scottish connections.

We continue to hear heartwarming stories from all over the U.S. and Canada about Clan Johnston/e activities at the Highland games. Several of our Council members (Paul, Val, Kathleen, Cathy, Buz and Vic) regularly serve as CJA tent hosts and attend other games, too. Karen and Scott are long-time tent hosts in California, Sally and Scotty in Florida, Bill and Barbara in Georgia, and we now have new hosts in Utah, Texas and many other states. Our thanks to everyone who helps in the tents and promotes Clan Johnston/e throughout the world.

My first introduction to the CJA took place at a CJA tent in Estes Park, Colorado, whereby I first met the remarkable sisters of Colorado, Diane Coblentz and Billye Tellinger. They are wonderful servant leaders and great ambassadors of the CJA. Billye passed last April and Beverly and I attended her services, which were packed with family and friends wearing Scottish garb. We celebrated Billye's amazing life and will have a special tribute to her at the AGM meeting in Pleasanton.



Billye Tellinger

As previously reported, preparations are well under way for the 41st Annual General Membership (AGM) meeting of Clan Johnston/e in North America. The cost for the AGM/Banquet will be \$45/PP and RSVPs should be made directly to me (contact information on page 2). Cathy Postier, CJA Secretary, has mailed the CJA members an Annual General Membership Meeting (AGM) agenda and proxy card in accordance with our By Laws. Please return your proxy cards to Cathy at your earliest convenience. A written 2017 annual report on CJA activities and proposed framework for 2018 program of work will be presented. During the AGM meeting, our annual election of Officers will be facilitated by President-Elect Paul Johnston. As always, we will share the meeting minutes from the AGM meeting in the following edition of the Spur & Phoenix and on our website.

As the CJA network becomes more dynamic, our communication programs have expanded and are being regularly updated. I invite you to visit our official website (www.clanjohnstone.org), read our newsletter, *The Spur & Phoenix*, and visit our Facebook page. Special thanks to Lilly Goessling, Seth Johnson, Molly Stone and Peter Preble who manage and direct these updates, and many others who regularly contribute articles and photos to the CJA.

As I prepare to transfer the presidency to the capable hands of Paul Johnston, I want to thank each of you for supporting the CJA. It has been a great honor and privilege to serve you.

Yours Aye!

J.J. Johnston



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Gallabrae at Greenville, SC

By Buz Johnson, tent host

We kicked off the weekend with a good Great Scot parade; Beau Field, Seth & Kelsey Johnson and I represented Clan Johnston/e and we all had dinner downtown afterwards with my wife Cathy and Jane Alkins. Downtown Greenville is rated one of the top ten cities in the U.S. to visit. It's a very vibrant, scenic and safe area with lots of unique shopping and dining opportunities.

At Gallabrae, on Furman University campus we had a great time, very busy Saturday morning but it died down quickly after 1:00pm with the temperatures reaching in the upper 80's, high humidity and plenty of sun. We had good activity in the tent with my wife Cathy, Jane Alkins, Beau, Rachel and Stephen Field, Seth and Kelsey and my son Chuck and Shannon Black. Nancy and Michael Krick, who joined last year at Gallabrae, came by the tent. As we keep growing locally, we may need to add an extra tent!

We had six new members sign up this year, three couples and three singles: Joseph Franklin Johnson from Greenwood, SC, Blair & Yolanda Johnstone from Easley, SC, Thomas & Cynthia Johnson from Greenville, SC, Keith & Kiki Johnston, Savannah, GA, Chris & Lora Johnstone from Greenville, SC and Karla Ruth Johnston from Belton, SC. Ceud Mile Failte!

Seth Johnson had taken some amazing video and pictures and he did a fantastic video interview with Jamesie Johnston of Albannach, which he will post on Facebook and our website later. You won't want to miss this. I also gave Seth about 200-400 photos that Jon Harraban took at Stone Mountain Highland Games, most of which have not been shared on social media. Seth said he will make a photo section on the website that we can continue to add to.

Clan Johnston/e Border Reivers Return to Payson Scottish Festival

By Greg Johnson, tent host

After an absence of several years Clan Johnston/e returned to participate in the 2017 Payson Scottish Festival and was warmly received by festival participants, especially by our fellow border reiver clans. Greg Johnson and his extended family hosted the tent and had a wonderful time exchanging stories and reminiscing about our Scottish and Scots-Irish origins. Stories ranged from our origins in Scotland and Northern Ireland to arrival in America, and in many cases how our families came to cross the plains and settled in the Rocky Mountain region.

We were fortunate to be visited by Kathleen Sloan, the Southwest Region Commissioner for CJA. Kathleen provided valuable insight and guidance in the set-up and operation of our tent. A common thread to all of our conversations was the feeling of elation that Clan Johnston/e will

Greetings from Skagit Valley Highland Games and Celtic Festival!

again be an active participant at the Payson Festival, and many tent visitors expressed interest in helping with next year's event. This appears to be the beginning of a new vigorous participation in Utah Scottish activities. Clan Johnston/e was invited by our fellow border reiver clans to participate in the upcoming Scottish Festival in Moab, UT which is titled "Scots on the Rocks" to be held November 3-5 where modern-day reivers have exchanged horses for ATV's and four-wheel drive. Stand by for a future update... Clan Johnston/e Utah Reivers are again on the move!

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Minnesota Scottish Fair and Highland Games

By Nick Johnston, tent host

The Minnesota Scottish Fair and Highland Games was held on the 15th of July at the Faithful Shepherd School in Eagan, MN, a short distance southeast of the Twin Cities. While there was neither rain nor snow, temperatures reached 96 degrees by mid afternoon.

Crowds came to see it all: the piping and drumming competition (bands came from as far away as Chicago and Madison, WI), heavy games, Scottish highland dancing competition, British car and motorcycle show, storytelling, children's Scottish ceilidh Dancing, Scottish market place, parade of Scottish Clans, pipe band march, plus food and drink. Twenty-four clans had tents this year.

Clan Johnston has had a tent at these fairs for the past 25 years plus. Sadly, Dennis Johnston passed away last year. He and his family worked tirelessly over the years supporting the Scottish



Left to right: Rachel, Stephen & Beau Field, Buz, Chuck & Cathy Johnson, Shannon Black, Jane Alkins, & Seth Johnson.



Left to right: Kathleen Sloan, Shauna Johnston, Gordon DeWaal (Son of Shauna Johnston and Grand Marshall of Payson Games), and Greg Johnson



CJA Members line up for the Parade of the Clans on July 9 at the Skagit Valley Highland Games and Celtic Festival in Mt. Vernon, WA.

Left to Right: Brad Johnston, Chris Ensor, Val Ensor & Barbara Johnson

community in Minnesota. This year Nick Johnston and his wife Ella Jo hosted the tent. Many people stopped by wanting to discover information about their Scottish roots. We answered many questions and referred them on to other sources we knew could offer additional information. Mary Johnston, born and raised in Scotland, and her family stopped by again. A family from Bemidji, MN left home at 5 am and drove 250 miles one way to attend the fair excited to learn more about their Johnston kin. It was a long, hot day but it was a great event and a good time was had by all. We'll be back again next July. We hope you'll stop by!

Greetings from Grandfather Mountain Highland Games!



Devon Johnston won a wrestling contest in his age group

L to R: JJ Johnston (CJA President), Melonie Phillips Reynolds, Alayna Reynolds, Kaylee Anna Reynolds, and Buz Johnson (Vice President East)

Pat Johnston and Buz at the Grandfather games

Shane and Buz welcome new members

Genealogy Corner

By Barbara Hockman, Genealogist

What does it mean to be a member of a clan? The word clan means children or offspring and it is a common misconception that every person who bears a clan's name is a lineal descendant of the chiefs. Contrary to popular belief, the ordinary clansmen rarely had any blood tie to the clan chiefs but took the chief's surname as their own. By the eighteenth century the myth had taken hold that the whole clan was descended from one ancestor and that same myth is still widely believed today.

A clan was made up of everyone who lived on the chief's territory or on territory of those who owed allegiance to the chief. With the constant changes made to clan boundaries through migration or regime changes, clans would be made up of large numbers of members who were unrelated and who bore many different surnames. Many of those not related to the chief took the chief's surname as their own either to show solidarity or to obtain basic protection and sustenance, although the chief retained the right to accept or reject them as members of the clan. Today, anyone who has the chief's surname is automatically considered to be a member of the chief's clan.

Have you ever heard the term "cluster genealogy"? When you have run into a brick wall, this is the line of research you need to take to break through. Often when researching we concentrate only on our direct ancestor and ignore all those siblings and other relatives. Cluster genealogy (whole family or extended family genealogy) is the practice of extending your research to all the individuals and family members to which a person is connected. Our ancestors did not live in a vacuum and often lived and moved with other family members. Researching neighbors, church members, cemeteries, newspapers, census and other records can often lead you to that connection that has been eluding you. I know that newspaper research has produced lots of clues for me to follow.

Have you ever noticed on death certificates a handwritten code in the box designated for cause of death? Developed in the 1800's, the coding system was designed to provide a unified way to track causes of death by different agencies. After 1900 you will often find this code used on U.S. and other nations' death certificates. When you can't understand the written cause of death, referring to this code can often be more helpful. An explanation of what the code stands for can be found at www.wolfbane.com/icd/index.html.

There are many well-known researchers and genealogical organizations producing YouTube videos to help you improve your techniques or answer those "How do I?" questions. A list to help you find some of them can be found at <https://moonswings.files.wordpress.com/2017/02/genealogy-on-youtube-feb-2017.pdf>. Of course this is only the starting point for your YouTube experience. Be sure to check out BYU's YouTube site. It is a gold mine of information.

A new Google search engine to check out is www.randymajors.com/p/ancestorsearch.html.

Do you have Irish ancestry? The following website was developed by the National Archives of Ireland to help you with your research. It is a great free on-line course on how to go about your Irish research and the lessons apply to most research in general. www.irishgenealogy.ie/en/2016-family-history/welcome

Happy hunting!

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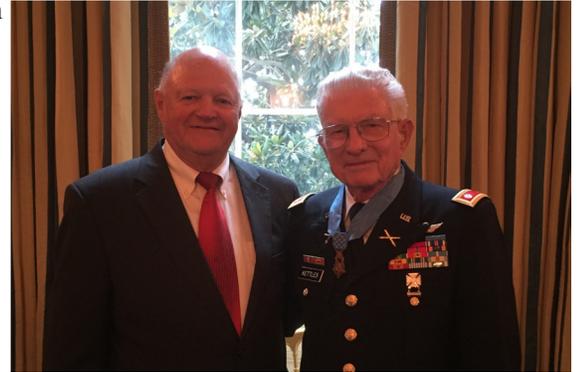
Brad Johnston
Burlington, WA

David Johnston & His Striking *Michigan's Military & Space Heroes Museum*

By Bart Johnston

As a kid in Detroit during WWII, Stan Bozich started collecting memorabilia and stories from veterans and their families to honor their service to and sacrifices for our country. During the Korean War, Stan enlisted in the navy and was an assault boat coxswain until 1955. After his discharge he became a firefighter but kept his collection growing, paying donors only with the promise to tell the story of these brave men and women.

Stan's collection was displayed in a vacant room in his firehouse in Royal Oak, Michigan but by 1980, he needed more space and found Frankenmuth, Michigan. This lovely Bavarian town known for shopping, great food and tourism now hosted Bozich's museum. But Stan and his wife Lou were working seven days at the museum a week and living on just his retirement savings. The little museum with twenty displays wasn't paying the bills. Fortunately, in stepped David Johnston, Frankenmuth businessman and president of the Chamber of Commerce, to rescue Stan's dream and elevate it to a world-class museum unlike any that exists in the U.S. today.



Dave Johnston and Charles Kettles

Johnston, a native of Frankenmuth and an army vet himself, realized that Stan had brought a diamond in the rough to his hometown. Dave and Stan discussed what needed to be done and Stan asked Dave to be president of his museum, a role Dave would only recently relinquish after thirty-one years!

Money was needed to purchase land and construct a building that would hold 150 displays instead of 20. Dave assembled a board, found the land and cajoled, begged or bargained most of the funds needed with grants and donations. At groundbreaking, however, they were still \$40,000 short. Once again, back to the good people of Frankenmuth, who came up with the necessary funds.

Outside the museum, you are greeted by a tank, a fighter jet and a memorial to the crew of the USS Liberty. This intelligence ship was attacked by air and naval assets of Israel in 1967, killing 34 sailors and wounding 174. Israel lied about the attack and the crew were forbidden to talk about it for 40 years. Inside are amazing displays of military and space heroes with Michigan ties. Of the astounding total of 700 displays now available, some are permanent while the balance rotate. Every time I go, I see new exhibits with new stories, often bringing an emotional response to hardship and sacrifice. The collection includes the last official American killed in the Vietnam War and the only woman killed in action in the Iraq War. Also it houses the largest collection of Medals of Honor (31) of any museum in the country. Among the most impressive is the collection dedicated to the Polar Bear Brigade in 1918-19. These mostly Michigan men are the only Americans ever to have fought Russian troops on Russian soil, taking 544 casualties. Ten years later, 86 bodies were returned from Russia to the States for burial in and around Detroit.

I asked Dave what was the best part of his job as president and he answered without hesitation: attending the Medal of Honor presentation at the White House a year ago. In 1967, when men of the 101st Airborne were ambushed by superior forces in Vietnam, LTC (Ret) Charles Kettles volunteered to lead six Hueys flying in reinforcements and ferrying out the wounded and dead. The fire was intense and aircraft were shot down. On Kettles' fourth and last trip out he heard on the radio that eight men had been left behind as they held the perimeter. Kettles immediately swung his helicopter around and headed back. As he touched down, a mortar round blew out his windshield and damaged the main rotor blade and tail boom. "At least we had good air conditioning," he quipped afterward. Kettles now had an overloaded, severely damaged chopper to get off the ground. By bouncing it along the battlefield five or six times, he finally succeeded. Today, he humbly reflects, "We got the 44 out. None of those names appear on the wall in Washington. There is nothing more important than that." Johnston told me that most of the vets he has spoken with when their display is opened are likewise humble. "Many are farm boys that would rather talk John Deere tractors than about what they did."

When you go to the museum, you may see the uniforms of men who flew Spads for France or Neuports for Britain in WWI or Spitfires in WWII; of Tuskegee Airmen, the only Black fighter

Save the Date

For the 2017 AGM meeting at
the *Scottish Highland Gathering
& Games at the Alameda
County Fairgrounds in
Pleasanton, CA*

Saturday evening, Sept. 2 at
the *Four Points by Sheraton.*

squadron in WWII; astronauts who flew Apollo missions to the moon; nurses who survived Corregidor while saving thousands in Japanese imprisonment; and men who stormed Confederate ramparts in the Civil War or at San Juan Hill forty years later. You meet men like Al Worden, who joined the army to get off the farm and would someday pilot Apollo 15. Or you might encounter the exhibit to Duane Hackney, who enlisted during Vietnam to leave Flint and find excitement: he rescued over 40 airmen in 200 missions and spent days hiding in the jungle from Viet Cong, becoming the youngest ever to win the Air Force Cross and the most decorated airman of any war. And then there are Christina Koch, who was the first female astronaut, and Holly McGeogh, who enlisted because all she ever wanted to do was be a soldier and serve her country. Holly volunteered for every mission in Iraq and died in Kirkuk at age 19.

If you visit Michigan, do experience Frankenmuth and David Johnston's museum. He is a CJA member who loves our family history as well as the museum. I have been there several times and yet, if for only two hours, I know that I haven't seen it all. Take your children and grandkids. President Reagan said, "Freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction. We didn't pass it to our children in the bloodstream. It must be fought for, protected and handed on for them to do the same."

For further information: <http://www.michigansmilitarymuseum.com/> or call at: 989-652-8005.

Clan Johnston/e in the Scottish Highlands: Discovering Our Caskieben Home & Beautiful Aberdeenshire

By Chris Ensor, WA State Commissioner for CJA

CJA National Membership Commissioner Val Ensor and I visited Caskieben Castle that's joined to Keith Hall in Aberdeenshire, Scotland on May 13, 2017. This was one of the highlights of our four-night stay in Aberdeen, the imposing "Granite City" (so named as most of the buildings are constructed of grey granite stone).

MAGICAL CASTLES: We visited two of my Scottish cousins and some of the spectacular castles that are owned by the National Trust for Scotland: Drum, Crathes and Fraser.



Castle Fraser, close to Caskieben/Keith Hall

To find more on these castles visit: <https://www.nts.org.uk/Visits/> and select "Aberdeen City and Shire".

COASTAL TRAILS: We found time to hike some magnificent coastal trails:



Misty cliff-top hike towards Dunnottar Castle near Stonehaven.

To find out more about this imposing castle and the footpath from Stonehaven visit: <https://www.dunnottarcastle.co.uk/>

ANCIENT STONE CIRCLES: We were keen to find one of Scotland's stone circles. There are 16 different sites listed in Aberdeenshire: <https://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/leisure-sport-and-culture/archaeology/sites-to-visit/stone-circles/>

There are various theories about the origins and purpose of stone circles in the UK, of which Stonehenge in England is the largest, best known example. Explanations include religious and astronomical. It's certainly worth visiting some Scottish examples.

(Right) Val Ensor standing in front of the large recumbent stone, part of the 64 ft. diameter Easter Ayuhorthies ("Field of Prayer") stone circle .



ABERDEEN: The City of Aberdeen is where my mother Mary Johnson grew up, went to school and graduated as a doctor of medicine from Aberdeen University. She was born in Edinburgh. She and my father (an Ensor of Ulster descent) were married in the beautiful King's College Chapel at Aberdeen University in 1947.

My parents used to take my brother and me from the south of England where we lived as kids up to Aberdeen by train, hauled by such steam locomotives as the "Flying Scotsman" to celebrate Hogmanay (New Year). We stayed with our Scottish grandmother and visited our Highland cousins.



VISIT TO CASKIEBEN: Caskieben is Gaelic for "Wooded Hill." Caskieben Castle (now part of Keith Hall) is on an estate close to Inverurie, a small town 17 miles from Aberdeen. When we arrived at the entrance to the estate in our rental car, we found the gate open. There was a sign posted to the left: "KEITH HALL PRIVATE GROUNDS NO UNAUTHORIZED ACCESS". We also saw a sign on the gatehouse at to the left of the entrance that this building is for sale.

(Left) Kings College Chapel at Aberdeen University

RAEHILLS: Val and I had visited Raehills and Lockwood Tower back in April 2015 (S&P article in Fall, 2015). We met Lord Annandale and his son Lord David Johnstone (who attended our 2016 AGM meeting). Having explored our Scottish Lowlands border clan roots we wanted to do the same for our Scottish Highlands heritage. Hence our desire to find Caskieben Castle and discover more about its origins, history and the highland branch of our clan.



Caskieben Castle is on the east side of what became Keith Hall. The original castle or tower is to the right of the round turret that only reaches half way down to the ground.

We ignored the sign and drove along a narrow, paved road with beautiful grounds (in Scotland called "Policies") either side for about a half mile to reach Keith Hall.

Keith Hall (that includes the Caskieben Castle tower) is now divided into 14 luxury apartments. As soon as Val and I had parked our car, we were approached by a man who was apparently one of the apartment owners. We explained the purpose of our visit and the information we had received from Clan Keith that it was OK to visit. The man replied that permission is required in writing from the owners' attorneys. However, as we had travelled all the way from Seattle he graciously allowed us to walk round the outside of the building to see the original Johnstone Caskieben tower and take pictures.

We were told that the then Earl of Kintore sold Keith Hall in 1986 (our prior research gave an earlier date of 1984). The Earl moved to the former

stables behind the main house for several more years. His son who inherited the earldom subsequently moved to Edinburgh. The new owners of Keith Hall converted the building into private apartments and sold off much of the surrounding lands.

The owner we talked with suggested we drive a short way back down the drive to be able to walk by a lake and see the wildlife. The grounds were beautiful and well maintained.

PERMISSION TO VISIT KEITH HALL: When we asked who clan members wishing to visit in the future should contact, we were given the name of the owners' attorneys in Aberdeen: Burnett & Reid LLP. We looked this up later and the firm is at 15 Golden Square, Aberdeen AB10 1WF, Scotland. Phone from U.S.: 01144-1244-644333 Website: <https://g.co/kgs/J0kMFW>. The owner we met added that security gates are to be added to the drive entrance so it will soon not be possible for anyone to drive into the estate without permission. We have shared this information with Clan Keith.

SHARING OUR GOOD FORTUNE: Val and I feel so fortunate that we were able to gain access to the former Johnstone/Keith property and grounds without prior, official permission. Also, that we met a helpful owner of one of the apartments who let us look round and take pictures. We are glad to be able to share what we saw and learned with the whole of the Clan Johnstone/e membership. We also want to spread the message that if you can make the trip to Scotland, Aberdeenshire is surely a wonderful area to visit.

INFORMATION TO COME: With help from CJA member and genealogist Barbara Johnson, Val Ensor and I are preparing a second article for a future Spur and Phoenix. This will review the history of Caskieben Castle and its connection with our clan. We also plan to investigate what happened to the Johnstone/es after they left Caskieben back in 1663.



Chris Ensor by the Caskieben/Keith Hall Lake



Clan Johnston/e in America

Call for Volunteers!

As a member-driven organization, Clan Johnston/e in America and Canada is only as strong as its member support. We are currently looking for member-volunteers to fill the following positions. Most positions take less than an hour a month, with meetings typically held using “Skype”.

POSITION	DESCRIPTION
<u>Co-Chair Council Positions:</u>	
Co-Chair Membership	Assist the National Membership Commissioner in recruiting new members, and coordinating our Clan representation (tent hosts) at various games and festivals across the countries.
Co-Chair Registrar	Assist the Registrar in maintaining membership records, and processing annual renewals and dues. This includes notifying the members regarding renewals and issuing membership cards.
Co-Chair Treasurer	Assist the Treasurer in keeping correct and complete books and records of all accounts. The Treasurer also manages banking, investments, and the Clan’s annual budget, as well as preparing the annual financial report, and non-profit tax submissions.
Co-Chair Secretary	Assist the Secretary in keeping records for all Clan proceedings, and conducting official correspondence as directed by the President and Council. This includes preparing the Annual General Meeting information package.
Co-Chair Genealogist	Assist the Clan Genealogist in maintaining and making available archival materials and genealogical information, as well as helping members achieve accuracy and good documentation in their genealogical research.
Co-Chair Editor	Assist the Editor in editing, publishing, and mailing the quarterly Spur & Phoenix newsletter.
<u>Committee Members:</u>	
Nominating Committee	The Nominating Committee meets annually to review and approve nominees for election of pending Council positions.
Membership Committee	The Membership Committee meets quarterly or as needed to devise policies and methods for recruiting new members, subject to Council approval. They also manage the coverage of tent hosts at various games and festivals, working with the State/ Provincial Commissioners.
Social Media Committee	The Social Media Committee meets quarterly or as needed to manage Clan information across our web, Facebook, and print platforms. They are also responsible for developing and managing platforms.
Genealogy Committee	The Genealogy Committee meets quarterly or as needed to manage member genealogical information and archives, and add them to our database, as well as respond to member inquiries. They also prepare articles for the Spur & Phoenix newsletter promoting accuracy and good documentation in genealogical research.
<u>Tent Hosting Members:</u>	
<i>We need tent hosts for every State and Province!</i>	Tent hosts are responsible for representing our Clan at various games and festivals across the countries. They will typically set up a tent and display items of interest, and respond to questions related to the Johnston/e Clan. Hosts are encouraged to recruit new members using various incentives, but mostly it’s a fun, sociable day meeting new people and renewing old acquaintances, all in celebration of our heritage.

If you are able to volunteer your time, please contact your Clan at volunteer.clanjohnstone@gmail.com noting the position you wish to fill, your member number, and a brief note regarding your qualifications.

Thank you for your support!

2017 EVENTS with CJA Representatives

MARCH

Panama City Scottish Festival & Highland Games

March 4 @ Frank Brown Park in Panama City Beach, FL
Hosts: Sally & Scott Epler
Email: sallyepler@aol.com
Website: <https://pcscotfestival.com/>

MAY

Gallabree Greenville SC Scottish Highland Games

May 26 & 27 @ Furman University Campus in Greenville, SC
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Website: <http://gallabree.com/>

JUNE

Tacoma Highland Games

June 24 @ Frontier Park in Graham, WA
Hosts: Chris & Val Ensor
Email: cvensor@comcast.net
Phone: (206) 794-5198
Website: <http://www.tacomagames.org/>

JULY

Grandfather Mountain Highland Game

July 6-9 @ MacRae Meadows near Linville, NC
Host: Shane Johnson
Email: tartanbbq@gmail.com
Website: <http://www.gmhg.org/homepage.shtml>

Payson Scottish Festival

July 7-8 @ Payson, UT
Host: Greg Johnson
Email: utahchop@msn.com
Website: <http://www.paysonscottishfestival.org/>

Skagit Valley Highland Games & Celtic Festival

July 8-9 @ Edgewater Park in Mount Vernon, WA
Hosts: Chris & Val Ensor
Email: cvensor@comcast.net
Phone: (206) 794-5198
Website: <https://celticarts.org/events/highland-games-home/>

Minnesota Scottish Fair & Highland Games

July 15 @ Faithful Shepherd School in Eagan, MN
Hosts: Nick & Ella Jo Johnston
Email: njohns1021@gmail.com
Website: <http://www.mnscottishfair.org/>

Pacific Northwest Scottish Highland Games

July 29-30 @ Expo Center in Enumclaw, WA
Hosts: Chris & Val Ensor
Email: cvensor@comcast.net
Phone: (206) 794-5198
Website: <http://www.sshga.org/home.htm>

AUGUST

Glengarry Highland Games

Aug 5 @ Maxville, Ontario
Hosts: Paul & Nikki Johnston
Email: PL.Johnston@bell.net
Phone: (416) 938-7637
Website: <https://glengarryhighlandgames.com/>

Montreal Highland Games

Aug 6 @ Parc Arthur-Therrien, Montreal, QC
Hosts: Paul & Nikki Johnston
Email: PL.Johnston@bell.net
Phone: (416) 938-7637
Website: <http://montrealhighlandgames.qc.ca/site/>

Fergus Scottish Festival & Highland Games

Aug 12 @ Fergus, Ontario
Hosts: Paul & Nikki Johnston
Email: PL.Johnston@bell.net
Phone: (416) 938-7637
Website: <https://fergusscottishfestival.com/>

SEPTEMBER

Pleasanton Scottish Highland Games (2017 AGM Location!)

Sep 2-3 @ Alameda County Fairgrounds in Pleasanton, CA
Hosts: Karen & Scott Klein
Email: kklein@astound.net
Website: <http://www.thescottishgames.com/>

Longs Peak Scottish-Irish Highland Festival

Sep 8-10 @ Estes Park, CO
Email: vgibson68@gmail.com
Phone: (303) 908-5496
Website: <http://www.scotfest.com/>

New Hampshire Highland Games & Festival

Sep 15-17 @ Lincoln, NH
Host: Catherine Postier
Email: cpostier@myfairpoint.net
Phone: (802) 962-5286 or (603) 616-4852
Website: <https://nhscot.org/>

Charleston Scottish Games & Highland Gathering

September 16 @ Boone Hall Plantation in Mt Pleasant, SC
Host: Shane Johnson
Email: tartanbbq@gmail.com

OCTOBER

Kerr County Celtic Festival, Highland Games & Dance Competition

Oct 7-8 @ Hill County Arts Foundation in Ingram, TX
Host: Pam Boucher
Email: boo.shay@live.com
Website: <http://www.kerrcountyceltic.com/>

Stone Mountain Highland Games

Oct 20-22 @ Stone Mountain Park in Stone Mountain, GA
Hosts: Bill & Barbara Johnston
Contact Bill: (404) 447-3532 or williamjohnston007@gmail.com
Contact Barbara: (687) 962-4459 or bjohnston380@gmail.com
Website: <http://www.smhg.org/>

NOVEMBER

Tuscon Celtic Festival & Highland Games

Nov 3-5 @ Rillito Raceway Park in Tuscan, AZ
Host: Kathleen Sloan
Phone: (520) 529-1506
Email: kasniris@earthlink.net
Website: <http://tucsoncelticfestival.org/>

Scots on the Rocks, Moab Celtic Festival

Nov 3-5 @ Old Spanish Trail Arena at Moab, UT
Host: Greg Johnson
Email: utahchop@msn.com
Website: <https://www.scotsontherocksmoab.com/>

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