Prosser Scottish Fest and Highland Games

Dear Clans and Societies,

We cordially invite you to the **PROSSER SCOTTISH FEST, JUNE 15, 2024.** We are the only Central Washington Celtic heritage event and are located in the center of Washington's Yakima Valley Agricultural Bounty. While we attract over 1200 attendees this remains an untapped area for Scottish/Celtic heritage. Your partnership provides a friendly and unique insight into our heritage. We look forward to many more of you joining us and helping you grow your membership.

Please plan to participate in *The Parade of Tartans* during our Welcoming Ceremony. Our *Infamous Anvil Launch* opens the Games with a distinctive explosion! Regional entertainers and pipe bands provide entertainment. Highland Heavy Games for men, women and youth and Highland Dance competition are well attended. MacPherson's Highland Farm features Highland Cattle, sheep shearing, and fiber artists. The Highland Market and Wee Bairns Tent provide food, shopping and fun activities. Details here: <u>http://prosserscottishfest.org</u> including an event schedule posted in early June.

Dry, no hookup camping (on gravel) with access to flush facilities is available on site. You are welcome to sleep in your tent on field if needed. The Prosser Chamber suggests you book your lodging as soon as possible. For lodging and dining options please visit <u>https://www.tourprosser.com/visitor-guide</u> or 509-786-3177.

Our event is held at the Port of Benton Wine and Food Park, 2840 Lee Rd (see our web page) on Prosser's east end just off I-82, Exit 82. Parking is free. Set up is available on **Friday from 1 – 7pm**. Volunteers will be available to assist, especially if you let us know of any special needs and your arrival time. *Be warned it can be windy* so strong tents with weights are advised. Please plan on eating at our *informal pot luck Ceilidh* on Friday evening (about 6pm) to welcome the clans, entertainers, vendors, and volunteers. More details, updates and event schedule will be sent to you as they occur.

If you will not arrive until **Saturday** morning please be aware that the field closes to vehicles at 7:45 am as the competitors arrive at 8am. We ask that you be ready in the Clan Gathering area by **9:30am**. You may set-up until then but you must carry your gear in unless you let us know ahead of time so that we can have a volunteer available to assist you. You may begin breakdown at 5:30pm but no vehicles will be allowed on field until 6pm.

We look forward to your visit and meeting friends new and old.

Please complete the form and retain this page for event information.

Additional tickets are available in advance via our web site, prosserscottishfest.org. Registration by June 1 ensures inclusion in the printed program. Registration appreciated by June 1. We will accept on-field payment by cash or check.

Please email us so that we can assist you. <u>clans@prosserscottishfest.org</u>