



## Bellingham Scottish Gathering Saturday June 1, 2019

*"Ceilidh Till the Cows Come Home!"*  
**Athletic Competition Entry Information**  
**Sponsored by the Scottish Dance Society**



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**Hovander Homestead Park, 5299 Nielsen Avenue, Ferndale, WA 98248**  
**Check-in at Athletic Tent starts at 8:15 a.m.      Competition begins at 9:00 a.m.**

### **Athletic Divisions**

Men Amateur A / Men Amateur B / Men Masters (40+) / Men Lightweight / Men Novice / Women A / Women B / Women Masters (40+)

### **2019 Events Include:**

Light Stone - Light Hammer - Heavy Weight for Distance - Braemar Stone - Heavy Hammer - Weight for Height - Caber Toss - Light Weight for Distance - Sheaf Toss

**Entry Fees: \$35 per competitor**

**Entries must be submitted on-line and received by May 15, 2019**

### **Competition Rules**

1. Participation in all events is expected.
2. Competitors may compete in one division only.
3. Registration and payment of \$35 entry fee includes lunch and competition t-shirt.
4. Space is limited, online registration is first come, first served and secures participation and t-shirt.
5. On field (day of) registration may or may not be available, will be at discretion of organizers; and subject to late fee of \$15.
6. Event schedule may change depending on number of competitors and/or weather.
7. Bellingham Scottish Gathering athletics operate under Scottish American Athletic Association (SAAA) rules and will be judged by a SAAA certified judge; however, this is NOT an SAAA sanctioned event.
8. All athletes, except Novice, must wear kilt and long hose to compete.
9. Athletes are responsible for their own injuries (basic First Aid is on field).
10. Awards will be presented to the top three competitors in each division. Each division must have at least three competitors to qualify for awards. Aggregate and special awards may be awarded at the discretion of the organizers.
11. Athletes must make an attempt at all rounds and compete in all events to qualify as a division or aggregate winner.
12. All competitors must be 18 years of age or older and be ready to show proof to athletic competition organizers if asked OR have approval by the organizers and Parent/Guardian signed waiver.
13. Bellingham Scottish Gathering Athletics organizers reserve the right to change, combine and/or eliminate events and classes.
14. Judges' decisions are FINAL.
15. Our primary concern is for the safety of our spectators and competitors. ANY activity by a registered athlete deemed unsafe or inappropriate by the Bellingham Scottish Gathering Athletics Judge, organizers or Scottish Dance Society will result in disqualification from event, forfeiture of registration and potential expulsion from the grounds.

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**BELLINGHAM SCOTTISH GATHERING  
RELEASE & HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT**

**(Specifically related to Whatcom County)**

I hereby represent that I wish to participate in the Bellingham Scottish Gathering on June 1, 2019 sponsored by the Scottish Dance Society (SDS).

I hereby acknowledge that participating in these activities presents as risk of personal injury, death and damage or loss of personal property may result from my participation, and as such, I hereby acknowledge and recognize the existence of these risks, and assume all risks completely, and agree to the following:

I agree to assume all risks of illness, injury, or death, and hereby agree to release Whatcom County, its departments, Whatcom County Parks & Recreation Department, its officers, agents, activity leaders, employees, volunteers and other parties involved from and against all judgments, damages, penalties, losses, costs, claims, expenses, suits demands, debts, actions and /or causes of action of any type or nature whatsoever, including actual and reasonable attorney's fees, which may be sustained or to which they may be exposed, directly or indirectly, by reason of personal injury, death, property damage, or other liability, alleged or proven, resulting or arising out of the performance under this agreement by County. Whatcom County does not waive, and specifically reserves the right to assert any and all affirmative defenses and limitations of liability as specifically set forth in Title 4 of the Revised Code of Washington.

**(Specifically related to the Scottish Dance Society)**

I hereby represent that I wish to participate in the Bellingham Scottish Gathering on June 1, 2019 sponsored by the Scottish Dance Society (SDS). I recognize that any activity may involve certain dangers, including but not limited to the hazards of the forces of nature, and the actions of other participants and other persons unaffiliated with SDS. I understand that these hazards produce a risk of physical harm or death, as well as a risk of loss or damage to my personal property. I further understand and agree that SDS would not be able to sponsor such Events without some form of agreement providing protection for SDS and its officers, directors, paid staff and volunteer workers.

In consideration of, and as part payment for my privilege to participate in the Bellingham Scottish Gathering, I hereby release the Clan Heather Dancers, SDS and its officers, directors and volunteer workers from any and all liability, claims and/or causes of action arising out of, or in any way connected with my participation in any and all of the activities of the Event. I personally assume all risks in connection with these activities, and further agree to hold SDS and its officers, directors, paid staff and volunteer workers harmless from and against any and all liability, claims and/or causes of action which I may have arising from my participation in any and all of the activities of the Event, including but not limited to those involving negligence on the part of such officers, directors, paid staff or volunteer workers, which result in personal injury or death to myself and/or loss or damage to my personal property. The terms of this agreement shall bind myself and my heirs, assigns, and personal representatives.

I agree to allow Scottish Dance Society to photograph or record my activities, or those of the competitor for whom this application is being submitted at the Event(s) for promotional purposes.

I have fully informed myself of the contents of this release and hold harmless agreement by reading it before I have signed it.

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Waiver must be signed by a parent or guardian if entrant is not at least 18 years of age.