

June 6, 2017

Dear Competing Band,

Welcome to the 19th Annual Rhode Island Scottish Highland Festival. In order to ensure the competition runs smoothly, please review the following prior to your arrival at Washington County Fairgrounds.

Event Information

1. The following Band have entered in the 2017 Games. The Chief piping committee has conducted the band draw with the following results.

| <u>Grade V</u> | <u>Order of Play</u> | <u>Band</u> |
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| | 1 | Stuart Highlanders |
| | 2 | Brian Boru pipe Band |
| | 3 | Kevin Berry Pipes and Drums |
| | 4 | Highland Light Scottish |
| | 5 | Claddagh Mhor Pipe Band |
| | 6 | RI Highlanders Grade 5 |

| <u>Grade IV</u> | | |
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| | 1 | Colum Cille Pipes and Drums |
| | 2 | New Hampshire Pipes and Drums |
| | 3 | North Shore Pipe Band |
| | 4 | RI Highlanders Grade 4 |

| <u>Grade II</u> | | |
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| | 1 | Stuart Highlanders |
| | 2 | Scotia Glenville Pipe Band |

Band representatives must meet at 10 AM at the chief steward's area to review times of play and any last minute details. If you have not already done so, please provide a current band roster and EUSPBA number. This roster must be turned in to the chief steward no later than 10 AM on the day of the games.

- 1 Grade V is scheduled to begin at 1:30 PM
- 2 Grade II MSR is scheduled to begin at 2:30 PM
- 3 Grade IV Medley is scheduled to begin at 2:50
- 4 Grade II Medley is scheduled to begin at 3:50
- 5 Grade IV MSR – Comments only

Opening and Closing Ceremonies

Bands are expected to participate in both the opening ceremonies at 11:30 and closing ceremonies at 5:00 PM, unless excused (*See below*)

Bands are assigned to waves under the Direction of DM Patti Nisco in order to facilitate a timely opening and closing ceremonies. Please assemble at the main parade grounds at 11:15 AM and 4:45 PM for opening and closing ceremonies respectively.

Wave 1

Tune: Green Hills

North Shore Pipe Band
Claddagh Mhor Pipe Band
Rhode Island Highlanders 5
Rhode Island Highlanders 4
Scotia Glennville PB Grade
Brian Boru Pipe Band

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Wave 2

Tune: Wings

Kevin Berry Pipes and Drums
Colum Cille Pipes and Drums
Highland Light Pipes and Drums
New Hampshire Pipes and Drums
Stuart Highlanders PB Grade 5
Stuart Highlander PB Grade 2

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When you arrive at the games, please indicate that you are with a band and you will be directed to a band staging area where you may park your vehicle and set up your band tents. Be prepared to present your entry ticket. If you bought additional entry tickets, each person in your party must present their entry ticket to gain entry into the games.

In the spirit of running an enjoyable games, the Piping Committee and the Highland Festival Association reserve the right to remove from competition any competitor deemed to be uncooperative or behaving in an unsportsmanlike manner.

Enclosed please find your entry tickets. Thank you for supporting and participating in our games: we hope you enjoy the festival.

Sincerely,

James J. Dickerson

Chief Steward