

# CLAN SPONSORSHIP of the 2012 Rural Hill Scottish Festival and Loch Norman Highland Games

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The Loch Norman Highland Games at Rural Hill, April 20, 21 & 22, 2012 is a family gathering presented by the Historic Rural Hill, Inc. The mission of Rural Hill: "an educational organization that provides for recognizing, celebrating and preserving the rich heritage of Rural Hill."

The Rural Hill Scholarship Fund provides grants to students interested in preservation of our cultural heritage.

**Waiver of Indemnity**

I as the authorized representative of: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Clan or Society name as it should appear in the program.)

I, the undersigned, for good and valuable consideration including my participation at the Loch Norman Highland Games to be held on April 20, 21 & 22, 2012 in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, agree to and assume all risk of personal injury, including death, and damages to personal property arising out of my participation in the event.

Further more, I, the undersigned, understand and agree that in the event of accident or injury, I will pay my own medical bills and that I, my successors, my heirs and assigns will forever hold the Historic Rural Hill, Inc., organizers of the Loch Norman Highland Games, Mecklenburg County, all other sponsors of the events and their insurance carriers HARMLESS from all claims, causes of action, costs and judgements for claims of personal injury, including death, and damages by or arising out of my involvement in the event.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized contact person.

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State & Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Day \_\_\_\_\_ Night: \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Names as they should appear on the badges:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_

**IMPORTANT:** Clan Sponsorship must be received by February 15, 2012 to guarantee recognition in the program and a tent on the field. The fee must accompany this signed Waiver form to insure the tent reservation. Tent location requests will be accommodated on a first come, first served basis. Contact person must be the authorized representative of their Clan or Society.

**For more information contact LNHG - Clan Sponsor Ambassador: Royce McNeill - 704-399-1134**

Clan Sponsorship ..... \$170.00 \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 One tent (10 x10), one table and 4 chairs  
 One program and two dated commemorative pins  
 One preferred parking pass  
 Two Clan Sponsor Name ID Badges for admission to the Friday evening Reception, the hospitality tents and Saturday & Sunday for the Games.  
 Overnight security is on the field for Friday & Saturday nights.  
 Golf cart assistance from your car to the field on Saturday & Sunday between 7:00 & 8:30 am.  
 (No cars will be or are allowed on the field.)

Trophy Sponsorship (Name of Event(s) ..... Amt: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Additional table(s) ..... # \_\_\_\_\_ \$10.00 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Additional chair(s) ..... # \_\_\_\_\_ \$2.00 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Additional tent sponsorship..... \$170.00 \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Includes a full sponsorship package for two people. (see above)

Friday - 6:45 pm - Reception and Call to the Clans

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_ or MC/Visa/AMEX # \_\_\_\_\_

MC/Visa Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Code on back of card: \_\_\_\_\_ Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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## Clan Sponsor Information Sheet

Per insurance considerations and requirements, the Historic Rural Hill, Inc. must require a Clan representative to sign a waiver before they may occupy a tent location on the field. The tent location requests for 2012 (waiver enclosed) will be accommodated on a first come, first served basis and assigned by the Clan Sponsor Committee.

Please designate a representative to bring and to carry your Clan banner at the *Call to the Clans* at 8:00 pm Friday evening. Tim Lindler, Games Director, his email is: [tlindler53@gmail.com](mailto:tlindler53@gmail.com). We request only ONE Clan member act as the Clan representative on the Field. Note - NO cell phones are allowed on the field during the Call of the Clans.

The Field at Rural Hill is open to Clan Sponsors on Friday to bring materials and supplies to their Clan Tents. The Rural Hill Scottish Festival and Loch Norman Highlands Games (RHSF) provide overnight security personnel on Friday and Saturday nights. Cars are not allowed on the Field on Saturday or Sunday, but there is Golf cart assistance from the Clan Sponsor Parking area from 7:00 am until 8:30 am if you need to move additional materials to your tent.

Clan representatives are encouraged to bring a Clan logo stamp to stamp Passports for the kids.

The Parade of Tartans is on Sunday morning, following the Worship Service (about 11:30 am.) The Director of the Parade of Tartans is Mack Henderson. Please check in with him at the Clan Henderson tent on Saturday.

### Best Clan Tent Award

Clan Tent displays will be judged anonymously on Saturday and/or Sunday and a Trophy awarded for FIRST PLACE based on the criteria listed below. The Keeper Trophy is a Battle-axe donated by Allan Kinard of Gaston, SC with listing on a perpetual trophy kept in the office.

Rating Scale - Each item is rated on a 1-5 point scale with units defined as follows.

1 = missing or poor	2 = below average	3 = average
4 = above average	5 = exceptional	N/A = (Not applicable) - May be used if appropriate.

### Criteria

#### Tent:

1. Overall presentation - General appearance of displays and tent. Is everything reasonably neat and in good order?
2. General displays - Are there displays of a general nature such as pictures of the ancestral castle (if any), famous or current chiefs, Clan crest badge, arms of the chief (if any) heather, thistles, appropriate signage, etc.
3. Unique displays - Weapons, severed heads, compete genealogies of the Clan chiefs, antique Scottish attire, anything unique to the Clan or to Scotland that would attract interest.
4. Display of tartan - Is tartan in evidence in substantial quantity, either worn or draped.

#### Personnel:

1. Sufficient number - Are there enough Clans folk in the tent to serve those persons who are interested in information or wish to join the Society.
2. Friendly/helpful attitude - Are the people staffing the tent expressing interest in providing information specific to the Clan as well as that of a general nature such as directions to the vendors, chief's tent, etc.?
3. Hospitality - Are the tent keepers welcoming and inviting?
4. Relevant materials available - Does the Clan have sufficient brochures, information sheets and reference materials to supply information to prospective members?

For local information about motels, planning Clan Meetings etc. contact the Loch Norman Highland Games. 704-875-3113  
If you have suggestions that may improve the Games' ability to support Clan activities contact Clan Sponsor Ambassador: Royce McNeill at 1824 Stonyridge Drive, Charlotte, NC 28214. Or call 704-399-1134.

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Sponsored by Historic Rural Hill Inc.  
Facilitated in cooperation with Mecklenburg County Park & Recreation

THIS NOTICE MUST BE KEPT AT EVERY TENT AT THE FIELD

Clan Sponsors: For the safety and enjoyment of your Clansman please note the following:

The Rural Hill Scottish Festival and Loch Norman Highland Games is a family gathering. We support family fun and entertainment is a safe environment. Our aim is to have an event that will showcase our interest in our Scottish Heritage as well as to raise awareness and money to support Scottish Heritage programs.

Inappropriate behavior cannot be tolerated and we ask all Clansmen to help monitor their area. As one of the first private non-profit groups to receive a lease on a County Historic site, we know our events are being watched very carefully. Let's keep our people safe.

1. While we have Permits to serve alcoholic beverages at our Patrons & Sponsors Reception, the rest of the farm is dry. While Scottish hospitality is legendary be sure you know the people who might have access to your supplies. Please make sure that bottles are kept under the table, beverages are served in opaque cups and cans in cooler sleeves.
2. While we are honored to extend hospitality to you, if you extend our hospitality to others who are not Patrons or Sponsors, you put the Historic Rural Hill, Inc. and the RHSF at risk. Remember that discretion and good taste are the order of the day. The RHSF Hospitality tent is open during the day to Patrons or Sponsors for coffee, tea, soft drinks and snacks.
3. The thrift of the Scottish people is legendary... reuse it, fix it, or recycle it... we do not throw anything away... there will be a test of this theory at the end of the day on Sunday... if you see trash left on the ground in a Clan tent... it's nae Scottish.
4. NC State law prohibits open containers of alcohol in the passenger compartment of a vehicle.
5. Please be aware that the Historic Rural Hill, Inc. has received more than 50 requests from Vendors who would like to sell their merchandise at the Games. The Vending Policy of the LNHG requires that these Vendors supply a certificate of insurance as well as pay a fee for the privilege. The Historic Rural Hill, Inc. purchases a permit to allow the Clans and Societies to be exempt from this requirement and you have permission to sell items in their tents that are directly related to supporting your Clan/Family Society Membership.
6. Tent fly policy - Sorry... The Mecklenburg County Land Use and Environmental Services and Risk Management Event Policy for the Rural Hill Scottish Festival and Loch Norman Highland Games does not permit the installation of personal tents or tent fly's. Historic Rural Hill, Inc. is required to enforce this policy.
7. The Rural Hill making History Tent will issue Passport's to encourage the kids to look at the displays in the Clan Tents. Clan representatives are likewise encouraged to reward the kid's interest by answering questions and stamping or initialing their Passports.
8. While we may seem to restate the obvious, cell phones must be turned off by attendees at the Call of the Clans and the Sunday morning Worship Service.