



Bellingham

Scottish Gathering

Athletic Competition Entry Information

Sponsored by the Scottish Dance Society & Hosted by the City of Blaine, WA

Saturday June 7, 2025

Athletic Events at Semiahmoo Spit, Semiahmoo Parkway, Blaine WA

ScottishDanceSociety.org

Games Information: heather@scottishdancesociety.org



Made possible in part by Tourism Promotion Grants from the city of Blaine and from Whatcom County

PLEASE NOTE: Pets are not allowed at the Bellingham Scottish Gathering.

Check-in at Athletic Tent starts at 8:15 AM

Competition begins at 9:00 AM

Athletic Divisions

Men Amateur A / Men Amateur B / Men Masters (40 - 49) / Men Masters (50+) /
Men Lightweight / Men Novice
Women A / Women B / Women Masters (40+)

2024 Events

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: \$45 per competitor **Entries must be submitted online and received by May 15, 2025**

Submit Entry Here: www.ScottishDanceSociety.org/scottish-gathering

Competition Rules

1. Entrants are expected to participate in all events.
2. Competitors may compete in one division only.
3. Registration and payment of \$45 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 the discretion of the organizers; and subject to late fee of \$15.
6. Event schedule may change depending on the 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 a SAAA sanctioned event.
8. All athletes, except Novice, must wear a kilt and long hose to compete.
9. Athletes are responsible for their own injuries (basic First Aid is available on the 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 given 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 or 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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RELEASE & HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

I hereby represent that I wish to participate in the Bellingham Scottish Gathering on June 7, 2025 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 City Blaine, DBW Spit Properties LLC, Whatcom County, Clan Heather Dancers, SDS and its officers, directors, paid staff 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 the City of Blaine, DBW Spit Properties LLC, Whatcom County, Clan Heather Dancers and SDS and its officers, directors, paid staff and volunteer works harmless from and against any and all liability, claims and/or courses 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.

If submitting credit card information for payment of registration fees, my signature here also authorizes SDS to process a charge against my account in the amount indicated in the 'Total Amt. Enclosed' field on this page.

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

Signature: _____ Date: _____