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KINGSVILLE, ON







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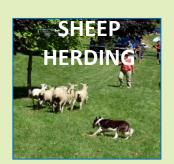


























TICKETS

Early bird tickets can be purchased until April 30th using the link below or In-person at the Carnegie Arts & Visitor Centre, 28 Division St. S., Kingsville N9Y 1P3

After April 30th they can only be purchased at the gate for \$20 with cash, debit or credit.

Ticket price includes entry to all events at Jack Miner Migratory Bird Sanctuary except the 5K Kilt Run/Walk.

Children 14 years of age and younger are free.





SITE MAP





PIPE BAND & SOLO COMPETITIONS

Grade 1 to 5 Pipe Bands have been invited to compete at Kingsville Highland Games for 2023 meaning the potential exists to see a large and accomplished field of competitors. Solo piping and drumming competitions will also be open to Grades 1 to 5.

Introducing For the first time in Ontario: QUARTETS

Kingsville is delighted to be the first Highland Games in Ontario to offer competitors the opportunity for 4 pipers from a registered pipe band to compete together in the grade category of their pipe band.

Check back often to see which Pipe Bands have registered.





HIGHLAND DANCING COMPETITION

Highland Dancing is one of the cornerstone events at Highland Games throughout the world. Kingsville Highland Games Highland Dance competitions will be overseen by the Windsor & District Highland Dancing Association staring at 8am.

Dancers will compete in various age categories throughout the day demonstrating a mastery of the four basic Highland dances, namely, the Highland Fling, the Sword Dance, Seann Truibhas (pronounced 'shawn trewes'), and the reel—all of which are performed in the traditional kilt.

Highland Dancing registration will be available on Eventbrite after March 9th, 2023.





SCOTTISH ATHLETIC HEAVY EVENTS COMPETITION

The Scottish Athletic Heavy Events Competition will take place on the Main Field under the guidelines of the Canadian Scottish Athletic Federation. Male and female athletes will compete in various events that will include the world-famous caber toss along with weights for height and distance.

Application Forms and Waivers can be found here:



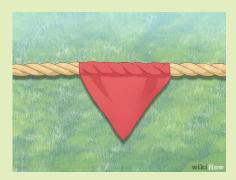
Check back for more information in the coming months.



TUG OF WAR

The Tug of War competition will be returning to the Kingsville Highland Games and will take place on the main field. Teams of ten are encouraged to enter this competition in a test of strength against each other. Trophy and prize money will be awarded to the top teams.

Click here for application and registration information.





CLAN VILLAGE

Visit the Clan Village at the Kingsville Highland Games and connect with your Scottish family. Clan Societies and Clan Members will gather here to share stories and connections and to get their Scottish on.

The Clans will be an integral part of the Opening Ceremonies and will follow the Honour Guard onto the Main Field to be welcomed.

If you represent a Clan and would like to register for a booth in the Clan Village, please complete the on-line registration form using the link below.





5K KILT RUN/WALK

We are excited to announce the return of the Kingsville Kilt Run as part of the Kingsville Highland Games in 2023. The run will take place on the trails throughout Kennedy Woods at Jack Miner's.

5k-ers are asked to wear kilts or tartan pattern clothing when they participate, and the result makes for quite a spectacle.

Click on the link below to be directed to the registration form and more details.

https://raceroster.com/events/2023/73011/highland-games-5k-kilt-runwalk





INFORMATION

- Ty Cobb Field at Jack Miner Migratory Bird Sanctuary will be open from 8am until 6pm.
- Competitions, Demonstrations and the Kilted 5K Run/Walk will all be held from 8am onwards.
- Opening Ceremonies, including a Colour Guard, Clan Parade, Massed Pipe Bands and a Massed Highland Fling will be held from noon until 1pm.
- The Mayors' Haggis Hurl will be held following the Opening Ceremonies.
- Competitions and Demonstrations will continue throughout the afternoon.
- Closing ceremonies will commence on the main field at 4pm.

Check back for schedule updates and more complete details.

There is seating provided in The Celtic Goose refreshment area but not at the events. Bring your own lawn chair or blanket.



HAGGIS HURLING COMPETITION

According to Wikipedia, Haggis Hurling is a Scottish sport involving the hurling of a haggis as far as possible for distance and accuracy from atop a platform (usually a whisky barrel). The haggis must be edible after landing.

At the Kingsville Highland Games we forego the platform and, although our haggis is lovingly home-made by one of our awesome volunteers, no eating is required.

Join us as mayors from the Windsor Essex region compete for the bragging rights of Chief Haggis Hurler.





GETTING HERE

Parking:

Across the road from Ty Cobb Field there will be a free parking area. While there are lots of spaces, this will be on a first come, first served basis and cannot be guaranteed.

Free Bicycle Parking

Courtesy of Cycle Kingsville, a covered, secure bicycle parking area will be set up near the entrance to the Highland Games.







FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Are Debit/Credit cards accepted?

Yes. Cards will be accepted at the Main Entrance Gate, at the Kingsville Highland Games Merchandise Sales Booth and at the Alcohol Ticket Sales in the Celtic Goose. Many vendors also accept Debit and Credit cards.

Can I bring my dog?

No, however all working dogs are welcome.

If it rains will there be a rain check or a rain date?

No. The event takes place rain or shine.

Can I bring my own food and beverages into Jack Miner?

No. However, a water station will be available dispensing free water to fill up your own refillable bottles.

Can I smoke or vape inside Lakeside Park?

No. Smoking of any substance is strictly forbidden on Town of Kingsville properties.

Are there any seats available for viewing?

Yes and No. There are be picnic tables placed throughout the vendor areas and in The Celtic Goose. Otherwise, please bring your own chair or blanket to watch the various other competitions.



SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

In 2019, after a break of more than 30 years, Kingsville hosted a very successful Highland Games with more than 6500 in attendance. In 2023 the Games have partnered with Jack Miner Migratory Bird Sanctuary and the Games will be held on Ty Cobb Field. You can be a part of this amazing community event by joining us as a sponsor. There are a variety of cost effective and highly visible options to consider that include both cash and inkind contributions. Help us make June 24th,2023 a day for the record books.

Contact our Sponsorship Coordinator to discuss how you can be a part of this great event.

Pat Reid Crichton: patricia.jeanreidcrichton54@yahoo.com



VOLUNTEERS

Want to get involved with the Kingsville Highland Games as a volunteer?

We NEED your help to make the Kingsville Highland Games a huge fun success!

There are numerous areas where help is needed. Volunteers who work the minimum required hours gain entrance into the main event and free refreshments.

Please follow this link to sign-up and keep informed as the event approaches.





VENDORS

The Kingsville Highland Games Committee is thrilled to announce that it is moving to a fabulous new venue - Ty Cobb Field at Jack Miner's Migratory Bird Sanctuary, 332 Road 3 West, Kingsville.

This location change is significant for Vendors because every element of the Highland Games can now be enjoyed on one level, a truly immersive experience for all. Vendor lots are scattered around the field in the middle of all the action.

We are currently seeking food and merchandise vendors and if your products have a Scottish or Celtic theme, even better. If you are interested in being a vendor at the Kingsville Highland Games, click here for the application forms:



