



# CLAN MACINNES ARCHER

The International Association of Clan MacInnes  
Summer 2022



## THE SUMMER GAMES HAVE BEGUN!

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## President's Musings Summer 2022

Kenneth McInnis

My two terms as President of the IACM will come to an end this July. That said – look for me on the ballot for my third and final term (if so elected). We are – per the bylaws – a tad late getting the ballot out, but sometimes stuff just happens. Like you, all our officers have busy lives and sometimes things just slip. In fact, if Editor Donna had not mentioned that I was late on getting this article written for the newsletter, it would still not be finished.

Some of you may not know, but I am the head coach of one of the local high school's girl's lacrosse programs. These past three weeks we have had three games a week and it's surprising just how exhausted a coach can get walking up and down the sidelines talking to himself. Well, the season is over now, and I will be leaving next week for a week-long motorcycle trip with my Motorcycle Club. Then it will be time to get wrapped up in tartan.

We have a lot going on this year, starting with our annual pilgrimage to the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games in Linville, NC. I've got my Chieftain patron package, a house up on Sugar Mountain for a week, and the whole family coming in. Hmm, that reminds me – I must let the powers that be know that we'll have 9 in my party to the Clan's Friday night picnic. I am really looking forward to seeing everyone – hope you can make it as well. Seriously, if my daughter can make it while she is on an R&R from her year-long tour of duty with the Department of State in Iraq – we should all gather on the mountain. Who knows, maybe Myles, Scott and I will do another jig?? Yes, we'll pose for and sign pictures if so desired.

After Grandfather, my family and I will be attending the Virginia Scottish Games & Festival September 3-4 over Labor Day weekend, where along with Clan Douglas (good local friends of mine), we will be the honored clans. I do hope – at a minimum – we can get all the local MacInnes' out for a fun weekend. Location: Great Meadows in The Plains, Virginia.

(<http://www.vascottishgames.org>). I have also registered the IACM for a tent at the Scotland County Highland Games which will be held, Saturday, October 1 in Laurinburg, NC. (<http://www.carolina-highlandgames.com>). No doubt in my mind we will have a huge local



*Jigging away, left to right: President Ken McInnis, Member Services Director Scott McInnis, and Myles MacInnes, with Clan Bagpiper Rachel Benefield-Pfaff.*

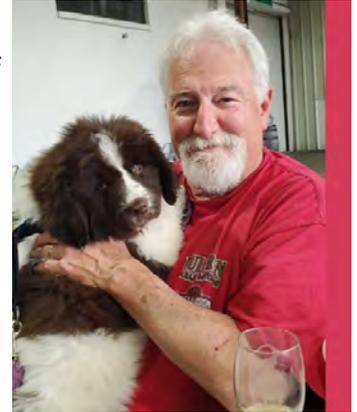
turnout as I recall one individual at last year's games saying he had 33 McInnis cousins in the area.

Personally, I can't wait to see all of you at the games this year. It's just that time of year when I smile a bit more and laugh a bit more, and no, it's not just the drams of Jura I'll be drinking and sharing. Wait, is it the Jura? No, it's not the Jura, it's you. Yeah, that's right – I'll stick with that story. My family and I have been involved in Clan MacInnes doings for the past 4+ decades and our members are the reason we keep coming. So, shake the dust off your kilts, find your sashes, and get ready for a wonderful year. MacInnes Again!!

Yours Aye,

*Kenneth McInnis*

*P.S. Speaking of Jura, we have a new addition to our family. We bred our Newfoundland – McInnis' wee Piper and had a beautiful litter which – all but one – have gone to their new homes. Please meet McInnis' wee dram of Jura.*



### Special Highland Echoes Concert Will Be Held Near Grandfather Games

The International Highland Echoes Music & Dance Company will present a music and dance spectacle with 26 of the world's best Highland dancers and Celtic musicians July 7-10. The full-length stage show, titled "Highland Echoes", will perform at the Appalachian Theater of the High Country in Boone, NC, near the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games July 7-10 in Linville, NC. Concert ticket prices are \$25 general, \$12 for children ages 12 and under, and \$55 for VIP.

<https://www.highlandechoes.com> or 828-865-3000.



#### Cover credits, left to right starting at top

Bands & Dance - <https://www.viator.com/tours/Edinburgh/Scottish-Highland-Games-Day-Trip-from-Edinburgh/d739-5211HIGHLAND>

Tug O' War - <https://rove.me/to/north-carolina/grandfather-mountain-highland-games>

Sheaf toss - <https://www.topendsports.com/sport/unusual/scottish-highland-games.htm>

Iron throw - [https://www.romanticasheville.com/grandfather\\_highland\\_games.htm](https://www.romanticasheville.com/grandfather_highland_games.htm)

Caber toss - <https://www.yourerie.com/news/local-news/edinboros-highland-games-returns-sept-10-12>

Piper - <https://www.pinterest.com/pin/506232814350172162>

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Last year at this time, the Covid pandemic forced most games globally to cancel, postpone, downsize or stream. Now, let's have big cheers for 2022 and the almost-normal return of our beloved Highland Games. Wherever your corner of the world may be, there's likely a Highland Games within driving or easy flying distance. Now is the time to support your Clan. Show up. Meet Scottish kith and kin. Learn about your Clan MacInnes heritage. Help out – set up the tent/table, man the tent, greet visitors, bake something or bring a bowl of candy to welcome, take down the tent, carry boxes and bins to a car. An hour or two of your help time will be worth ten-fold to whoever is responsible for the games you're attending and the tent you visit.



And enjoy! Watch Highland dancers young and old compete, take in the pipe bands' glorious sounds, enjoy Scottish and Celtic music of more types than you could imagine, sip a dram of whisky or say cheers with beers, savor a meat pie, scone or pasty. 'Tis the games season near and far – like Christmas they happen only once a year, so join the fun.

# 2022 MacInnes AGM – Picnic in the Park during Grandfather Games

- WHAT:** The 51<sup>st</sup> Clan MacInnes Annual Meeting will be a picnic.
- WHEN:** Friday, July 8, 2022, starting 6:30 PM.
- WHERE:** Pavilion at J. Douglas Williams County Park, at Sugar Mountain, NC, behind tennis courts.
- DRESS:** Casual (no tuxes or evening gowns allowed).
- MENU:** Barbecue dinner, catered by The Flyin' Pig of Banner Elk. Menu includes chicken and pulled pork, baked beans, cole slaw, choice of bun or cornbread, Oreo cookie cheesecake for dessert, and iced tea. BYOB.
- Kid's Plate includes hot dog, mac 'n cheese, Oreo cheesecake, and juicebox.
- PRICE:** \$22 per adult, \$8 for kids under age 12.
- DEADLINE:** **Thursday, June 30 for reservation with payment**

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**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**NUMBER OF ADULTS @ \$22 ea:** \_\_\_\_\_

**NUMBER OF KIDS @ \$8 ea:** \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL AMOUNT OF ORDER: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**Sweet or unsweetened iced tea?** \_\_\_\_\_

Please make check payable to IACM and mail to:

Treasurer John McInnis  
114 Millington Trail  
Mansfield, TX 76063

**NOTE:** IACM prefers payment by check, but cash can be accepted at the picnic.

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