24th ANNUAL TEXAS SCOTTISH FESTIVAL & HIGHLAND GAMES

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ARLINGTON,TX—Many people discover they're a wee bit Scottish at the **TEXAS SCOTTISH FESTIVAL & HIGHLAND GAMES**, now celebrating its 24th year, and scheduled for June 4-5-6, 2010. Renowned for its outstanding entertainment, the Festival again hosts top Scottish musicians, professional athletes, and champion highland dancers. An exciting array of food, merchandise, souvenirs, and beverages from Scotland and Great Britain will be available for purchase.

Music! Music! Music!
Musical acts include acclaimed Scottish fiddler *Brian McNeill*, renowned Scottish balladeer *Alex Beaton*, and noted folk singer *Ed Miller.* Celtic groups include: *Clandestine, Jiggernaut, Smithfield Faire, Jed Marum, Margaret Gravitt, Tullamore, Teribus, John Taylor, Seamus Stout,* and *Hugh Morrison*. The appearance of the featured group, the high-energy Celtic rock group *The Killdares* will delight audiences. The solo bagpiping contests will feature some of the premier bagpipers in the world. The featured and host Bagpipe band will be the Championship *North Texas Caledonian Pipes & Drums.*

"Can't Miss" Events
Professional & amateur athletics, Scottish fiddle workshop, children's games & activities, medieval Scotland area, genealogy & educational seminars, Gaelic language seminar, military living history encampment, Scottish country dancing, "bonniest knees" contest, Scotch whisky tasting and seminars, Celtic harp, a photo contest, All-Scottish breed dog show, Scotch ale brewing competition, shortbread contest, birds of prey, a 9000 sq. ft. pub tent, a feature Ceilidh, and much, much more.

How big is it?
The festival has four large entertainment tents this year to showcase the national and regional Celtic, folk, and Scottish entertainers.

More than 65 colorful tents will represent various Scottish Clans and families, including MacDonalds, Campbells, MacIntosh, Hendersons, MacIntyres, and Ross Clans.

Food
Scottish foods & ales including: haggis, fish & chips, scotch eggs, meat pies, bridies, and bangers will be available as well as American festival foods

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Stuff to buy
Vendors with a wide variety of merchandise from Scotland & Great Britain will be displaying their inventory of authentic tartan wear, kilts for the gentlemen, crafts, records, books, and gift items. Also find unique Celtic designed crafts, jewelry, and art.

Highlander magazine has rated the Texas Scottish Festival the number one Scottish festival in North America for entertainment and talent.

The 4-1-1
The Festival and Games are open to the general public and is an event for the entire family, with most activities scheduled continuously each day. Musical entertainment is continuous in several areas, including the largest pub tent in North America. An attendance in excess of 40,000 is expected for the three day event.

New
A Friday evening 'Calling of the Clans' ceremony will introduce and honor all the Scottish clans in attendance for the weekend. Historically, the Calling of the clans was a gathering of clans in preparation for battle, unifying all the clans as one. We may be more united by community than by blood, but united we are. Fireworks to follow.

June 4, 5, & 6, 2010

5:00 p.m. to midnight on Friday
9:00 a.m. to midnight on Saturday
9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Sunday

Maverick Stadium---University of Texas at Arlington

Admissions

Adults per day	
Friday, Sunday	$10.00
Saturday	$15.00
Weekend Pass	$25.00
Children, per day	$5.00

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