

2022 Grandfather Mountain Highland Games:

Arriving and Setting Up the Games

Note: *Some of this was covered in the “Preparing for the Games” document, but is repeated as reminders. Remember to assign setup responsibilities before arrival.*

Arriving: Vehicle access during setup

- Make sure you and / or the people handling your setup have been given the courtesy parking passes and display them each day. Pass holders will be directed to the proper entrances.
- Thursday: Vehicles are allowed to access clan tents on the field on Thursday afternoon from 1:00 to 3:30 for off-loading.
- Friday: Vehicles may access tents from 6:00 AM to 7:30 AM. They **must** be off the field by 7:30. Try to finish setting up in your tent by 8:30 AM, if possible. Keep in mind that we had record Friday crowds last year.
- Saturday and Sunday: Vehicles may access clan tents from 6:00 AM to 7:30 AM. The Games ask that you drop off materials and clear vehicles as quickly as possible. Vehicles **must** be off the field by 7:30 AM.
- If you need assistance hauling materials, there are GMHG volunteers in golf carts who can be flagged down, or you can call **828-733-1169** onsite.

Setting Up your tent

- The 12' x 12' tents will be erected and ready for “setting up” your displays and tables before you arrive.
- There are no strict setup times, but it's preferred that you be ready to greet visitors by 8:30 AM Friday through Sunday.
- Important phone numbers for assistance or answers to questions (remember that cellular reception might be spotty):
 - Field Office: 828-733-1169
 - Malcolm MacDougall (GMHG Clans Convener): 717-945-3960
- It's suggested that you make your tent more inviting for visitors (and easier to enter) by not placing your table(s) across the front. Welcoming your visitors INTO your tent “gives them a true sense of hospitality and belonging. (Helpful suggestion from Stacy Harper, Clan Buchanan Society.)
- There's no electricity at clan tents.
- Tents in the inside row must not block the view of the field with their displays.

- At the end of each day Friday through Saturday, clans are asked to follow these procedures:
 - Remove personal items each day. GMHG provides overnight security but is not responsible for loss.
 - Remaining display materials should be consolidated, stacked on a table, and covered with a tarp secured to the table.
 - Please place the table in a way that will enable the grounds crew to lower the center pole if necessary overnight.
 - It's recommended you take down flags and secure them, as well.
- At the conclusion of the Closing Ceremony on Sunday, vehicle access to clan tents is allowed for reloading. This is expected to begin at approximately 4:30 PM Sunday afternoon.