

Programme of Events 2026

No.	Time	Event	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
	10:00–11:00	Lathallan School, Alford Academy and Granite City Pipes and Drums						
		Local Dancing						
1	12:30	Highland Fling (under 9)	£15	£10	£8	£5	£4	£3
2	12:30	Highland Fling (9–12)	£15	£12	£10	£8	£6	£4
3	12:30	Highland Fling (13–16)	£20	£15	£12	£10	£8	£6
4	12:45	Highland Fling (Adults)	£25	£20	£15	£12	£10	£8
5	1:00	Sword Dance (under 9)	£15	£12	£10	£8	£6	£4
6	1:15	Sword Dance (9–12)	£15	£12	£10	£8	£6	£4
7	1:30	Sword Dance (13–16)	£25	£20	£15	£12	£10	£8
8	1:45	Sword Dance (Adults)	£25	£20	£15	£12	£10	£8
9	1:55	Seann Truibhas (9–12)	£20	£15	£12	£10	£8	£6
10	2:00	Seann Truibhas (13–16)	£20	£15	£12	£10	£8	£6
11	2:00	Seann Truibhas (Adults)	£25	£20	£15	£12	£10	£8
		Open Dancing						
12	2:15	Highland Fling (Adults)	£40	£30	£25	£20	£15	£10
13	2:30	Seann Truibhas (Adults)	£40	£30	£25	£20	£15	£10
14	2:45	Highland Fling (12 and under)	£25	£20	£15	£12	£10	£8
15	3:00	Highland Fling (13–16)	£35	£30	£25	£20	£15	£10
16	3:15	Sword Dance (Adults)	£40	£30	£25	£20	£15	£10
17	3:30	Sword Dance (12 and under)	£25	£20	£15	£12	£10	£8
18	3:45	Strathspey and Half Reel of Tulloch (Adults)	£40	£30	£25	£20	£15	£10
19	4:00	Seann Truibhas (13–16)	£35	£30	£25	£20	£15	£10
20	4:45	Sailors' Hornpipe (12 and under)	£25	£20	£15	£12	£10	£8
21	4:50	Sailors' Hornpipe (Adults)	£40	£35	£25	£20	£15	£10
22	5:00	Irish Jig (13–16)	£35	£30	£25	£20	£15	£10
23	5:00	Irish Jig (Adults)	£40	£35	£30	£25	£20	£15
		Piping						
24	Entries by 11:45	Piobaireachd Open	£95	£75	£50	£35	£25	£15
25	1:00	Marches Local	£25	£20	£15	£12		
26	1:00	Strathspey & Reel Local	£25	£20	£15	£12		
27	1:00	Marches Open	£50	£40	£30	£20	£15	£12
28	1:00	Strathspey & Reel Open	£50	£40	£30	£20	£15	£12
29	2:00	Marches (under 14) Open	£15	£12	£10	£8		
30	2:15	Marches, Boys & Girls (17 and under) Open	£20	£15	£13	£10		
31	2:30	Slow Marches (under 14) Open	£15	£12	£10	£8		
32	3:15	Strathspey & Reel Boys & Girls (17 and under) Open	£20	£15	£12	£8		
32a	3:30	Local & Kindred Gatherings March, Strathspey & Reel (17 and under)	£20	£15	£12	£8		
		Track Events						
33	12:10	100 Yards Race (16+) Local	£25	£20	£15	£12		
34	12:15	Boys' Race (12–15) Open	£15	£12	£10	£8		
35	12:20	Girls' Race (12–15) Open	£15	£12	£10	£8		
36	12:30	Boys' Race (under 8) Open	£15	£12	£10	£8		
37	12:35	Girls' Race (under 8) Open	£15	£12	£10	£8		
38	12:45	Boys' Race (8–11) Open	£15	£12	£10	£8		
39	12:50	Girls' Race (8–11) Open	£15	£12	£10	£8		
40	1:00	Half Mile Race (10–15) Open	£15	£12	£10	£8		
41	1:10	100 Yards Race (Men 16+) Open	£45	£40	£30	£25		

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	1:30	Arrival of Chieftain						
42	1:50	220 Yards Race (16+) Open	£45	£40	£30	£25		
43	2:00	100 Yards Race (Women 16+) Open	£45	£40	£30	£25		
44	2:05	440 Yards Race (Men 16+) Open	£45	£40	£30	£25		
45	2:15	440 Yards Race (16+) Local	£25	£20	£15	£12		
46	2:20	440 Yards Race (Women 16+) Open	£40	£35	£30	£20		
47	2:35	Half Mile Race (16+) Open	£40	£35	£30	£20		
	2:45	March of the Duff Highlanders' Society						
48a	3:00	Hill Race (Men 16+) Open	£150	£125	£100	£75	£50	£35
48b	3:00	Hill Race (Women 16+) Open	£150	£125	£100	£75	£50	£35
49	3:50	Mile Flat Race (16+) Local	£25	£20	£15	£12		
	16:00	Pipe Bands Marching Around Arena						
50	4:15	Boys' Sack Race (9 and under) Open	£12	£10	£8	£5		
51	4:20	Girls' Sack Race (9 and under) Open	£12	£10	£8	£5		
52	4:25	Boys' Sack Race (10–13) Open	£12	£10	£8	£5		
53	4:30	Girls' Sack Race (10–13) Open	£12	£10	£8	£5		
54	4:40	Mile Flat Race (16+) Open	£45	£35	£30	£25		
55	5:15	Adult's Sack Race (16+) Open	£45	£35	£30	£25		
	5:00	Pipe Bands Marching Around Arena						
		Field Events Light						
56	1:00	Long Leap (16+) Open	£45	£35	£30	£25		
57	1:30	Long Leap (16+) Local	£25	£20	£15	£12		
58	2:00	Hop, Step and Leap (16+) Open	£45	£35	£30	£25		
59	2:15	Hop, Step and Leap (16+) Local	£25	£20	£15	£12		
60	2:30	High Leap (16+) Open	£45	£35	£25	£20		
61	3:00	High Leap (16+) Local	£25	£20	£15	£12		
62	4:00	Tilt the Bucket (first 10 pairs)	£35	£30	£25	£20		
		Tug o' War (Weigh-in 2:00)						
63		Tug o' War Competition, Open	£350	£280	£180	£150	£125	
63a		RSHGA Scottish 110 stone Tug o' War Championship	£275	£185	£145	£115		
		Field Events Heavy (Events 64–68 from 10:30 onwards)						
	10:30	Grampian Games Qualifiers (18–25)	£35	£30	£25	£20	£15	£12
64		Light Hammer Local	£30	£25	£20	£15	£12	
65		Light Stone Local	£30	£25	£20	£15	£12	
66		Throwing 28 lb Weight Local	£30	£25	£20	£15	£12	
67		Weight Over the Bar Local	£30	£25	£20	£15	£12	
68		Tossing the Caber Local	£30	£25	£20	£15	£12	
69	1:30	Light Hammer Open	£65	£50	£40	£35	£25	£20
70	2:00	Heavy Hammer Open	£65	£50	£40	£35	£25	£20
71	2:30	Light Stone Open	£65	£50	£40	£35	£25	£20
72	2:45	Heavy Stone Open	£65	£50	£40	£35	£25	£20
73	3:15	Throwing 56lb Weight for Distance Open	£65	£50	£40	£35	£25	£20
74	3:45	Tossing the Caber Open	£65	£50	£40	£35	£25	£20
75	4:15	Throwing 56lb Weight Over Bar Open	£65	£50	£40	£35	£25	£20
76	4:30	70 m Sprint with The Balmoral Stones (70 kg)	£150	£100	£50			

In the interests of safety NO ONE is allowed inside the ring except Judges, Members of the Ballater Highland Games Committee and Competitors. Please adhere to Field Stewards' instructions.

Competitors in Open events need to be registered with the RSHGA; others enter events at their own risk and should have personal injury insurance cover.