



## ROAD TO THE GAMES –Release July 24

### Last Minute Guide to the Games

The flags are up, the ticket booths are in place, the grass has been cut and around Glengarry and surrounding area as well as across North America, people are making their arrangements to get to the Games. This Friday, July 29 and Saturday, July 30, will see thousands converge on Maxville, Ontario with one thought and that is to have the best time ever at the Games. The Games organizers spend an entire year creating a fantastic program that they hope has a little bit for everyone and most of all, provides for some memorable moments for all who come.

**Tips for a Happy Games:** To make everyone's time at the Games a little easier, just a few reminders about how things run at the Games. Remember when getting ready for the Games, to leave pets at home. No animals are allowed on the site unless personal assistance dogs or identified Games participants. Many people bring portable chairs to take advantage of the many events spread out around the grounds, although there is generous seating provided at most venues.

Each day is a full day of events starting at 8 am and ending with dances on each night - the Friday night dance ends at 1 am and the Saturday night entertainment is over at 10 pm. Parking is free and there are several entrances to the Games. Police and parking attendants will provide directions to the closest available spots. Admission is \$20 each day and children under 12 are free. Wrist bracelets are issued for each day, so going in and out is easy.

There is an ATM on site just in case you find some irresistible tartan item that you just have to have. Don't forget to get your souvenir program so you can find out when and where everything is happening.

**Camping Notes:** Over the past few years, things have changed in the camping areas at the Games and so as not to disappoint any eager Games goers, here is what you can expect in the RV and the tent camping areas. If your camper or RV is not road worthy nor up to standard, it will not be admitted into the camping area. As well, to enter the camp site, everyone must purchase admission tickets for both days as well as pay the camping fee. In the RV area, that means that each camper may have up to a maximum of 6 people each paying \$50 for the weekend. In the tent area, the maximum for each tent is 4 people and each of those pays \$50 for the weekend as well. In the RV section, new lighting has been installed this year which will provide a secure and safe environment for all who spend the weekend. See the Games website for more details, [www.glengarryhighlandgames.com](http://www.glengarryhighlandgames.com).

**Travel Safely:** For those planning on enjoying a few beverages with their entertainment, please make sure you have a designated driver. The OPP are out in full force on the Games site, in the village of Maxville, and on all roads leading to and from the Games. Starr Taxi also provides transportation across most of Glengarry. For those coming from further afield, bus transportation is available from Montreal and Ottawa. See the Games website. Bring your camera, your sunscreen, and this year, of course, wear your tartan and be prepared to be entertained greatly.

To learn a bit more about the fine art of Scottish drink, take part in the Scotch Tasting, a new venture at the Games on Saturday at 1 pm and 4 pm. Details are on the Games website.

**Lost and Found:** Every year a huge amount of items is turned in to the OPP or the Games office, from cell phones, car keys, cameras, drumsticks to sunglasses and clothing. Amazingly much of this is not reclaimed after the Games. If you are bringing valuable items, please put some ID inside or attached, or at least contact the Games and see if anything was turned in. It's an easy phone call or email.

**Games on the Air:** For those of you who cannot make it to the Games, you can still listen in on the excitement and happenings. Corus Radio Cornwall (104.5 and 101.9 FM) will be onsite broadcasting live on Friday and Saturday as well as the Jewel radio station from Ottawa (98.5FM) and Hawkesbury(107.7 FM). CTV Ottawa and the A Channel will of course provide reports on their newscasts Friday and Saturday. Watch for a little taste of the Games on the A Channel AM Show on Friday.

**Rain or shine, the Games go on!** With all of the covered areas and sheltered spots, the events continue unless dangerous weather arrives and then the events will be suspended until it is clear to continue.

Come prepared to be entertained, amazed and awed, to laugh and to surprise yourself when you find yourself taking to the dance floor or ending up in a brand new kilt. Whatever you experience, you will say that this is one fine celtic celebration and one of the highlights of your summer.

**For sure, this Friday and Saturday, all roads lead to Maxville.  
See you at the Games!**