



## Harpenden Lions Highland Gathering Frequently Asked Questions

- Q** How can I buy programmes in advance without using the online PayPal method?
- A** There are many places listed in the website where you can buy them, WH Smith in Harpenden is the most popular. If this is not practical e-mail [info@harpenden-lions.co.uk](mailto:info@harpenden-lions.co.uk) or phone the Helpline: 0845 833 7426.
- Q** How can I find out more about the competitions and book places?
- A** **Heavy Events:** phone the helpline on 0845 833 7426, leave your number and ask for Alisdair to call you back. Alternatively send an [e-mail](#).  
**Solo Piping:** Pipers should register on the day of the event with The Scottish Piping Society of London Secretary. Registration opens at 10.00 a.m. closing at 12.00 noon. More information on [SPSL website](#)  
**Other competitions:** phone the helpline on 0845 833 7426 or send an [e-mail](#)
- Q** Is there disabled parking and disabled toilets?
- A** Yes - Limited parking spaces are available inside the park. The gate attendants will only give access to Blue Badge holders. Please clearly display your badge at all times. Disabled toilets are in the sports centre building within the park.
- Q** Are dogs allowed?
- A** Yes - dogs are allowed on a lead, but note that the event is noisy so only bring dogs that can tolerate the noise and bustle. Remember to bring a bag to collect any dog mess - there are disposal bins in the park.
- Q** Are there reduced prices for senior citizens?
- A** No- this is a charity fundraising event so there are no reduced price tickets for senior citizens, but entry price is only £3.00 if you buy in advance.
- Q** Can I still apply for a charity or trade stall?
- A** Contact David Cowan [[david.cowan@harpenden-lions.co.uk](mailto:david.cowan@harpenden-lions.co.uk)] or phone him on 01582 719587 to find the current situation.

**Q Can I park near to Rothamsted Park?**

**A** There is plenty of parking within easy walking distance. Marshalls will be on duty to show you where you can park. Most of the parking will be on the adjacent Harpenden Common.

**Q How do I get to Rothamsted Park by train or bus**

**A** Train is very simple; Harpenden is on the 'BedPan' line, Bedford to St. Pancras. The venue is only a few minutes walk from the station. For buses go online to [www.traveline.org.uk](http://www.traveline.org.uk) or access direct for buses in the southeast of England [www.travelinesoutheast.org.uk/se/XSLT\\_TRIP\\_REQUEST2?language=en&timeOffset=15](http://www.travelinesoutheast.org.uk/se/XSLT_TRIP_REQUEST2?language=en&timeOffset=15)

**Q What happens if it rains?**

**A** The show goes on as far as possible. Arena events will continue as long as safety is not prejudiced. Dancing will be moved to Park Hall, just a short walk from the entrance to the park.

**Q Are babies and young children welcome?**

**A** Yes! But be aware that it is very noisy at times and the Black Watch display includes firing of blank rounds. A nappy changing area is provided for free.

**Q What do I do in the day if there is an emergency or I have lost a child?**

**A** Go to the announcers' tent at the main arena and ask for help, they will make an announcement or call for assistance as appropriate.

**Q Last year there were long queues for the toilets. Will it be better?**

**A** Yes! We were pleased to see the large number of visitors last year - we apologise for not anticipating what would be needed. This year we will have more facilities available.

**IF your question is not listed above please e-mail the organisers on [info@harpenden-lions.co.uk](mailto:info@harpenden-lions.co.uk) or phone the Helpline: 0845 833 7426.**