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A Message From Our President

Beannachdan,

Many of you are already aware that our Highland Games are just around the corner. Games season is upon us. All around the world Games are underway and the Clans are gathering. If you have not had a chance to, I strongly recommend a book called Scottish

Highland Games written by David Webster, copyright 1973. Copies pop up from time to time and you just might be able to get your hands on one. Having sadly passed away in 2023, David was and is considered to be one of the leading authorities on Highland Games.



The Argyllshire Gathering in Oban, Braemar, Ballater, Cowal and so many more set the standard for Athletics, Dancing, and Piping. A friend of mine adjudicates athletics at the Aboyne Highland Games. I have shared the success of our own Colorado Highland Games and areas it continues to grow and evolve setting the stage for a strong future.

Highland athlete Bryan Staggs recently broke 6 field records in the Master class, well done! Lilia Laiten my chosen Dancer for my office duration, is front and center for our Highland Games marketing advertisements. Posed with grace and strength.

I cannot wait to feel the grass beneath my brogues, the droning pipes chanting familiar laments as they march and compete. Dogs of the British Isles lining the rows in fine stature with their

owners. Clans walking proudly as they present their tartan and crests.

It is a time for those to gather, stimulate the senses and experience a tradition that has connected so many to Scotland for centuries. Join us!

I'll see you on the field this September 20 th and 21 st in Sedalia.

Cheers,
Jonathan D. Wilson
President,
St. Andrew Society of Colorado

[Get tickets to the Colorado Highland Games](#)



Upcoming: Hike to Loch Lomond (Colorado)



Join us for a hike up to Loch Lomond, CO

September 28, 2025

9 AM

[Learn More & Sign the Wavier](#)

Upcoming Events

- **Ceilidh Dancing Lessons** - come dressed in your kilt or plaid attire and learn a few dances!
 - September 13th at 4 PM Scottish Stained Glass, Centennial - [RSVP HERE](#)
 - November 1st at 4 PM Scottish Stained Glass, Centennial - [RSVP HERE](#)
- **AGM** - October 19th - 3:30-5:30 Scottish Stained Glass, Centennial
[RSVP HERE](#)
- **St. Andrew Ceilidh** - November 15th - Registration coming soon
- **Burns Supper** - January 24th - Registration coming soon

Our website now takes RSVPs to events, to be sure to check out the events page often and sign up for events you plan to attend. This helps us to plan the best events we can for you!

Highland Happy Hours

- September -
 - [Pint's Pub](#) September 12th @ 6 PM
 - [Shame & Regret](#) September 27th @ 5 PM

- October -
 - **Clancy's Irish Pub** October 12th @ 4 PM

RSVP for our Highland Happy Hours

Want to organize a Highland Happy Hour in your area? Contact us to learn how to set one up at info@coloradoscots.com

Events in Colorado

- **Celtic Thunder** - Oct 14 7 PM Monfort Concert Hall At Union Colony Civic Center, Greeley, CO
- **Celtic Women** - Dec 4 7:30 PM Boettcher Concert Hall, Denver, CO

Know of other Scottish or Celtic events that we should include here? Email us the details at info@coloradoscots.com



Get Ready for the Games

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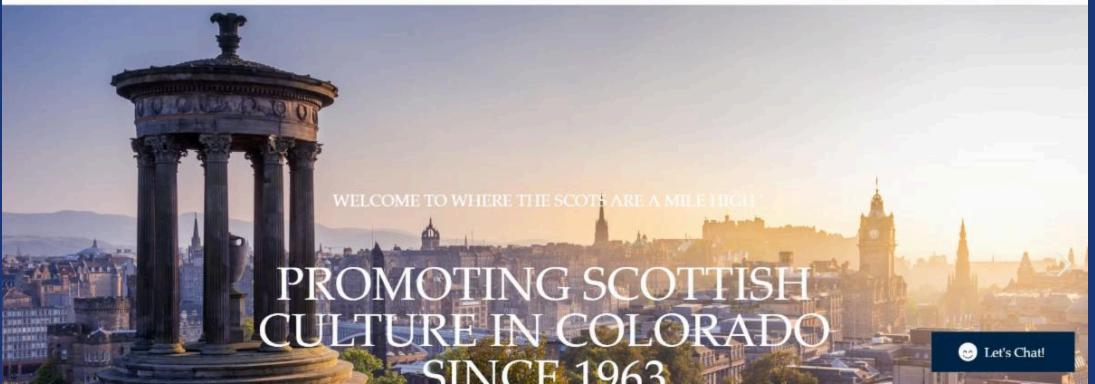
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New Website



Members of the council have been collaborating and working hard to bring a new updated website to our society. It is now live, however, there may be unfinished areas or errors. Please be patient with us while we get these details worked out. If you see something amiss, please feel free to send us a friendly email letting us know what you have found.

A new feature that our website has is the ability to RSVP for events. We kindly ask that you RSVP for all free events that we host, so that we can properly reserve tables or provide the appropriate amount of refreshments.

At the time of writing this, the membership area is not available while we workout the payment options.

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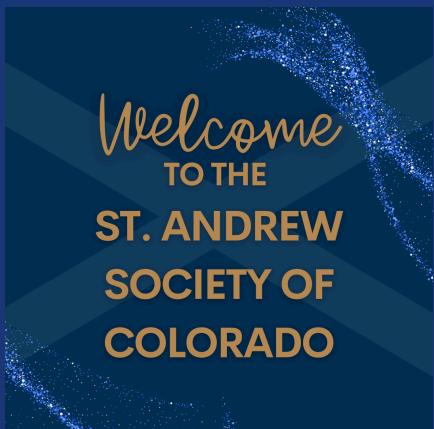
(Key-ut Meeluh Fawl-chuh)

“100,000 Welcomes”

We extend a hearty welcome to all new members when they join the St. Andrew Society of Colorado.

Please welcome these new members:

- Ryan & Stefanie MacNichol - Peyton, Co
- Michael Watson - Littleton, Co





The council meets monthly to review and plan society business.

Meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM via Zoom.

All SASC members are welcome and encouraged to attend council meetings.

Email info@coloradoscots.com to learn how to attend.

Elected Members

President - [Jonathan Wilson](#)

Vice-President - [Gillian Faith](#)

Secretary - [Peter Manfredo](#)

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Member-at-Large: [Mike Saunders](#)

Member-at-Large: [Alison Kelman](#)

Member-at-Large: [Shellie Brinkley](#)

Member-at-Large: OPEN

Associate Members

Immediate Past Chieftain: [Janet Carroll](#)

Membership - [Mike Carroll](#) - looking for trainee

Editor - OPEN

Web Master - OPEN

Historian - [Kira Johnson](#)

Archivist - OPEN

Heritage Fund/Comptroller - [Larry Hay](#) - looking for comptroller trainee

Colorado Tartan Day - [Matthew Buchanan](#)

RM Highland Dancers - [EJ Bennet](#)

Scottish Country Dance - [Jamie MacKinnon](#)

Games Marshal - [Heather Miller](#)



Seolta Gael
Rodger Hara
Wednesdays
7:00pm - 8:00pm
A weekly exploration of
Celtic music & the
Colorado Celtic
community.



Clan Feature



Clan Innes



Crest: A Boar's Head

Motto: Be Traist (Be Faithful)

Region: Highland and Lowland Scottish clan. The clan takes its name from the lands of Innes in Moray, Scotland.

Clan Chief: The duke of Roxburghe is heir to the chiefship of the clan, however since he bears the surname Innes-Ker the Lord Lyon King of Arms will not recognize him as chief of the name Innes. The current duke of Roxburghe is Charles Robert George Innes-Ker, 11th Duke of Roxburghe.



THIS Clan derives its name from the Barony of Innes, "all the lands betwixt Spey and Lossie," granted by Malcolm IV to Berowald of Innes at Christmas 1160, after his conciliation with Somerled, Lord of the Isles. From Berowald descended a long line of Chiefs (of whom Sir Robert Innes of that Ilk, 1st Baronet, received Charles II on his landing at Speymouth 1650), Sir James, 6th Baronet, becoming in 1805 5th Duke of Roxburghe, and his son being in 1837 created Earl Innes. From Walter of Innermarkie, second son of Sir Robert Innes of that Ilk, sprang the Baronets of Balveny and Edington (created 1628), and the Baronets of Coxton (created 1686). From Robert of Drainie came the Inneses of Drumgask and Balnacraig, of whom was Father Lewis Innes, the Jacobite Secretary of State. These branches were all loyal to the House of Stewart, as were the Inneses of Cathlaw, related to the millionaire Mitchell-Inneses of Stow. The arms shown here have been those of the Royalist and Jacobite line of Innes of Balveny. Innes House and Coxton Tower, both near Elgin, are outstanding examples of Scots architecture.

Scottish Country Dancers of Colorado



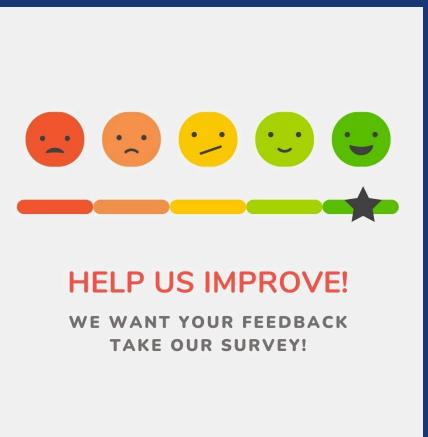
Weekly Classes!

Every Sunday, 4:30-6:30 pm
Sodal Hall, The Avalon Ballroom
6185 Arapahoe Rd, Boulder
Contact Sandra Somr, 303-524-9487

Every Monday starting September 8, 2025, 7:15-9 PM
St. Peter & St. Mary Episcopal Church
126 W 2nd Ave, Denver, CO 80223
Contact Jamie MacKinnon, 303-451-7466

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New link to donate soon!

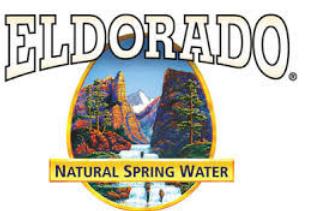
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