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| 8/4 | Load up | Holyrood Castle Escalon, CA | 6:30 pm |
| 8/5 | Set up | Monterey County Fairgrounds | 2:00 pm |
| 8/6-7 | 48th annual Monterey Scottish Games | Monterey County Fairgrounds | 9:30 am |
| 8/8 | Unload | Holyrood Castle Escalon, CA | 6:00 pm |
| 8/13 | Guild Picnic | Nulty Dr, Concord, CA | Noon to 6:00 pm |
| 9/1 | Load up | Holyrood Castle Escalon, CA | 6:30 pm |
| 9/2 | Set up | Alameda County Fairgrounds | 1:30 pm |
| 9/3-4 | 151 st annual Pleasanton Scottish Games | Alameda County Fairgrounds | 9:30 am |
| 9/5 | Unload | Holyrood Castle Escalon, CA | 10:30 am |
| 9/22 | Load up | Holyrood Castle Escalon, CA | 6:30 pm |
| 9/23 | Set up | Dixon Fairgrounds | 2:30 pm |
| 9/24 | 16 th annual Dixon Scottish Games | 655 South First Street, Dixon, California | 9:30 am |
| 9/25 | Unload | Holyrood Castle Escalon, CA | 1:00 pm |



Well Met, One and All!

Her Grace and I both hope this missive finds you all enjoying the fine summer we are having! While We have had quite the adventure to open Her Royal Travels this year, We look forward to normalizing our Grand Adventures for the remainder of this 1562 season. We have much to look forward to in the next few months, so let's jump right into the details you have all been waiting for, shall We?

First, Her Grace would like to remind all of Her ladies that progress with Her that She will progress for a day of relaxation and leisure at the Historical Gardens and Grounds of Filoli on Saturday, July 23rd. All of Her beloved ladies are welcome to get out and enjoy a day of fun and fellowship! If you have any questions, please address them to Her Grace's email or the event page on our Member's Group of that great Book of Faces.

Two weeks after that, to open the month of August, We will be traveling to one of Our favorite stops in Our Travels, the Monterey Scottish Games! Once again, We have the pleasure of meeting with Her subjects at the most temperate location I can envision for the middle of summer! But I know the information many of you wanted to see here is about tent camping. Just today the missive arrived with the link we need to secure our lodging with virtual electronic coin: <u>https://montereyscotgames.webconnex.com/camping2016</u> Remember, this link is for tent camping only; any with large carriages will have to contact the Monterey County Fairgrounds RV park directly (send me a missive if you need this information). When completing this tent camping site, be sure to put "St. Andrew's Guild" in the *Group or Association* box, and only choose "1" in the drop down box next to *Friday and Saturday Night Tent Camping [\$20.00]*. And last, be sure to click the Print Tickets button on the next page for your proof of payment – just in case!

After Monterey, the following Saturday will be the Guild's summer picnic at Lady Guyonne's manor in Concord. You have most likely already received a missive requesting your RSVP – please take a moment to go fill it out if you already haven't. This allows Us to plan for the feast accordingly, and as good thrifty Scots, there's no reason to spend any of Her good coin on more supplies and food than We need!

We then have a bit of a respite before We find our way to oldest Games on the west coast – the Pleasanton Scottish Games! As I have previously noted, We will NOT be portraying Court this year, as We will only have that honor every other year. Instead, We will be portraying Her Grace's Privy Council focusing on our three Earls – Argyll, Bothwell, and Moray. After all, while We all love and cherish Her Grace, We gentlemen also must always see to the best interests of Scotland! So while We will be free of the two hours (and more!) of Open Court this year, We will still be having a full schedule to entertain the patrons!

And last – three weeks after Pleasanton, We will once again be journeying to the one day event of the Dixon Scottish Games! Many of you may remember the beautiful green fields, and wonderful shade trees this venue provided Us in years past. This year, We have been given permission to camp on site around Our encampment, and I have been assured there are good showers available on-site for the refreshment of us all. This will be at no cost to us, an added bonus! We will also be able to camp on site both Friday and Saturday nights if so desired, so We can make this a most relaxing event indeed!

PLEASE NOTE: I need your RSVP for all three of these stops on Her Grace's travels no later than Sunday, July 24th to allow my scribes to do their work prior to Her Grace and I leaving for travels most important! As always, send any and all questions to me, and I will reply with the information I have at hand forthwith!

As always, I do remain your humble Guildmaster ~

Archibald Campbell, 5th Carl of Argyll