



## **Christian Henderson South Pacific Region Annual report and budget**

### **2024 Budget:**

- **Used \$323.50 of \$450 requested , Steve Brock didn't seek reimbursement for Hawaii games and Suzanne only requested reimbursement for one tent so we came in under budget .**

### **2025 Budget request :**

- **Requesting the same \$450 for 2025 budget**
- **Factors that may see increase in actual requests will be if Steve decides to seek reimbursement and possible return of Queen Mary Games Where i'm not getting firm answers on the costs of this event . Several previous events that have not had a Henderson Hospitably tent for a few years maybe filled this year.**

### **Games with conveners 2024:**

- **Las Vegas Highland Games**
- **Ventura CA - Seaside Highland Games ( October 12-13th 2024)**
- **Costa Mesa CA - Scottish Fest**
- **Hawaiian Scottish Festival & Highland Games**
- **Pleasanton CA - Scottish Highland Gathering & Games**

### **Games planned for 2025:**

- **San Diego Highland Games will replace Las Vegas**
- **Seaside Highland Games**
- **Scottish Fest**
- **Scottish Highland Gathering & Games**
- **Hawaii**
- **Queen Mary - still not confirmed**
- **Fresno**
- **Bakersfield**
- **Norcal Celtic festivals**

### **Concerns/suggestions :**

- **Concern - Im constantly getting rejected emails from my membership**
- **Suggestion - Edit to our Sign in sheet to have credit style boxes to put in emails and names.**
- **Suggestion - Edit to our Sign in sheet ,check boxes for preferred contact method and check box to use other if one fails.**
- **Suggestion - Facebook Marketing to drum up membership ?**
- **Concerns - Vegas Games : Did not go well and poorly attended event , will not return as we only have 1 member in this region . I had better expectations but apparently the games were at a different venue than years past with better turnout.**

## **2024 Highlights:**

- **Commissioned Fordel Gargoyle Crest for children's coloring book**
  - **Commissioned Banner to highlight Scholarship Program**
  - **Attended and convened several events**
  - **Attended two Galas of the Socal Scottish Societies**
  - **Assisted the UCR Pipe band with several events**
  - **Sent out several emails to my region with notifications**
  - **Put forward several for the Scholarship program**
  - **Put forward several individuals for well deserving awards**
  - **Received the Order of Chief with Distinction ( thank You !)**
  - **Appointed South Pacific Clan Piper ( Neil Henderson )**
  - **Have received commitment from Dennis Henderson and his son to join the Order of Bodyguard and to possibly started convening again .**
  - **Appointed Steve Brock to become Hawaii state convener .**
- Did my duties of Bodyguard at every game attended and did my first walk about with piper .**
- **Hope to put through John and Nellie Lowry for The Order of the Chief with Distinction for their years of service to the Scottish Community and Clan Henderson as this will be there 20th Season hosting the Seaside Highland Games and will turn it over to their daughter to run the operations.**

## **2025 Goals:**

- **Convene San Diego Games again.**
- **Will have more youth to put forward for Scholarship program.**
- **Convene Queen Mary Games or find a convener.**
- **Possibly return to Phoenix Games depending on children's schedule.**
- **attend several more Galas.**
- **More walkabouts with our new piper.**

- **Assist the UCR pipe band .**
- **Bring back Hospitably tents to the central region of CA.**
- **Promote Games and schedules through Facebook page.**
- **Encourage all hospitality tent visitors to Join our vision of a Scottish Society for all .**

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