



404 Clinton Ave. East

Big Stone Gap, VA 24219

BIG STONE GAP CELTIC DAY

Greetings,

Thank you for your interest in our 10th Annual Big Stone Gap Celtic Day

SAVE THE DATE for September 24, 2016.

The Festival will begin on Friday night the 23rd, with music and go through Saturday September 24, 2016. Vendors may begin to set up at 9:00 am and be ready to go by 10:00 am. If you need to set up the night before, please make arrangements with myself, Valerie Dowdy (v.dowdy@gmail.com) or Elizabeth Cooperstein (eccooperstein@gmail.com).

Our festival is small, but growing. For an example event program of 2015 visit **bigstoneceltic.com**

Big Stone Celtic is modeled on small town festivals that take place throughout the European Celtic nations and takes place in a variety of venues clustered around the downtown. Focusing on the games, foods, dances, music and songs of the seven nations, the festival is unusual for this approach in the United States. We have also begun to promote the strong connection between Celtic and Appalachian culture. European festivals often include races of various kinds (horse races in the old days) and Big Stone Celtic is no exception, with the first Saturday event being a 26 mile bike race - the 'Tour De Cracker's Neck'.

Location: Big Stone Gap lies on HWY 23, just 45 minutes North of Kingsport, Tennessee and 1 hour West of Abingdon, Virginia, between the Blue Ridge and Cumberland mountains.

We look forward to a great 2016! If you have any further questions please feel free to contact us.

See you in September,
Elizabeth & Valerie

PS-please fill out and return attached contact page for our records.



BSG Vendor Contact Information:

Business Name: _____

Contact person(s): _____

Address: _____

Phone/Cell: _____

Email: _____

Website/online store/etc: _____

Description of your craft, art, business: _____

Paid Fee \$25: _____ committee initials _____

****Extra Fee for electricity \$5