

Provost Challenge COVID plan

As of August 19th, 2021, the Shire of Coldedernhale continues to plan to host Provost Challenge on Saturday, October 2nd, 2021, in Pierre SD.

We have made the following modifications to the event.

- 1) In the past we have allowed people to sleep in the onsite lodge as well as camp. This year we will not be allowing people to sleep in the lodge. Free onsite camping is still available.

The shire is following all rules and guidance from the following organizations:

- SCA, Inc¹
- Kingdom of Northshield¹
- CDC²
- The state of South Dakota guidelines³

Our current plan includes the following:

- Beginning September 7th, we will review the spread of COVID in Hughes and Stanley County and assess the risk to the event.
- All activities are outside
- Unscented hand sanitizer will be available
- Disposable masks for adults will be available
- Social distancing practices are part of the site and activity layout planning.
- If you get ill at the event, inform the event staff and leave the event promptly. Event staff will help you. We will help find a location for you to safely isolate until you can leave the event
- We are following the guidance in this document on the Kingdom webpage: <http://northshield.org/Resources/PDF/Seneschal/HealthyEvents.pdf>

Cancellation of the event

- We will make a Go/No Go decision no later than Tuesday, September 28th.
- If at any time if any of the above guiding organizations institute rules that make it unfeasible to host the event, the event will be cancelled.

Notifications of event cancellation or substantial changes to event activities

1. Their Royal Majesties, Their Royal Highnesses, the Kingdom Seneschal and kingdom officers including the Event Information Officer will receive an email notification from the event steward.
2. Chamberlains for Their Royal Majesties and Their Royal Highnesses will receive an email informing them of the cancellation.

3. Announcements will be made to the following locations
 - a. Kingdom of Northshield Discussion Group on Facebook
 - b. Shire of Coldedernhale Group on Facebook
 - c. Shire of Coldedernhale web page
 - d. Provost Challenge Event web page
 - e. Provost Challenge Northshield Facebook Event
 - f. Attendees that pre-registered will receive an email informing them of the cancellation and refund information.
 - g. Event volunteers and activity coordinators will receive an email informing them of the cancellation
 - h. Shire members will be on site in case any attendees arrive at site unaware the event was cancelled.

The following will be published in event information also.

What You Can Do!

- Stay home when sick.
 - Follow the CDC and State Department of Health's guidelines for all illnesses.
 - If you have acute symptoms like coughing, sneezing, runny nose, diarrhea, vomiting, nausea, or stomach pain, stay home after you get sick to lower the chances of spreading your illness to others.
 - If you have a fever: stay home for at least 24 hours after your fever is gone without the use of fever reducing medicines, such as acetaminophen. This will help ensure that your fever is truly gone, and you are past the point of being contagious.
 - If you have GI symptoms: stay home for at least 2 full days after any diarrhea, vomiting, nausea or stomach pain symptoms stop.
- Wash your hands. Handwashing is one of the most effective ways to keep yourself and others well.
 - Wash hands thoroughly and for at least 30 seconds with soap and water.
 - Use hand sanitizer when handwashing is not available.
 - Bring your own hand sanitizer to events.
- Take responsibility for your health at events
 - Follow event guidelines.
 - Stay at least 3 feet away from sick people.
 - Bring your own pens/pencils, eating utensils, cups, etc.
 - If you get ill at the event, inform the event staff, and leave the event promptly. Event staff will help you pack up. We will help find a location for you to safely isolate until you can leave the event.
 - Cover coughs and sneezes with your elbow.

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¹ Society and Northshield [policy](#) as of August 1, 2021

² CDC event [guidelines](#) as updated on May 20, 2021:

³ State of South Dakota [guidelines](#):