



# Queensland Highland Pipers' Society

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## Newsletter - October 2012

### October Meeting

on Monday 22nd at 7.30pm

at Balmoral Bowls Club

Jean Howie Drive, Morningside

The Meeting will be a Mini-Recital night and we have four pipers lined up to play but that doesn't preclude anyone else from coming along and having a tune or two.

Thanks once again to all the competitors and others who supported our September Meeting. Following the election of officers, your committee will be meeting soon to plan out our activities for 2013 and some new ideas are already being talked about.

If you have any further ideas. speak to a member of the committee (see the annual meeting minutes inside for names of those elected) so that we can include the broadest possible set of ideas in our planning.

This month we are having a mini-recital with four players specially invited to present a selection of tunes (not to exclude any others). We had originally aimed to have a major solo contest this month but getting a venue defeated us in the time available, so we thought another "experimental" format would be worth trying.

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Secretary

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## 2012 SOCIETY CALENDAR

### MONTHLY MEETINGS

FEBRUARY 27 <sup>TH</sup>	2/4 MARCH THEME NIGHT - PLAY YOUR FAVOURITE 2/4s AND FIND OUT ABOUT THE HISTORY, STRUCTURE AND PLAYING OF THIS MUSIC,
MARCH 26 <sup>TH</sup>	HORNPIPE AND JIG(SENIOR) /AIR AND JIG (JUNIOR) CONTEST
APRIL 23 <sup>RD</sup>	PIPERS' NIGHT
MAY 28 <sup>TH</sup>	PATRON'S TROPHY CONTEST (MSR FOR SENIOR PLAYERS)
JUNE 25 <sup>TH</sup>	STRATHSPEY & REEL THEME NIGHT
JULY 23 <sup>RD</sup>	JIMMY DURHAM MEMORIAL CONTEST (2/4 MARCH FOR JUNIOR PLAYERS)
AUGUST 27 <sup>TH</sup>	PAIR OF PIPERS CONTEST
SEPTEMBER 24 <sup>TH</sup>	ANNUAL MEETING & AIR AND JIG CONTEST
OCTOBER 22 <sup>ND</sup>	MINI-RECITAL
NOVEMBER 26 <sup>TH</sup>	JACK McCANDLISH TROPHY (6/8 MARCHES)

After each competition, the floor is open for all.

The aim is to start meetings at 7.30pm (7.15pm for a 7.30pm start) to allow an early finish/more piping/more social time at the end of the meeting. Junior competitions are to start promptly and finish by 8.30pm.

During 2012 we will be awarding competition points for each contest - 4 for first place, 3 for second, 2 for 3rd and 1 for just competing. We are going to approach sponsors to donate substantial prizes for the Junior and Senior Piper of the Year, so watch for details - but more importantly - turn up and compete!

### PIOBAIREACHD GROUP

5 <sup>th</sup> February	6 <sup>th</sup> May	5 <sup>th</sup> August	4 <sup>th</sup> November (Recital)
4 <sup>th</sup> March	3 <sup>rd</sup> June	9 <sup>th</sup> September	2 <sup>nd</sup> December
1 <sup>st</sup> April	1 <sup>st</sup> July	7 <sup>th</sup> October	

## SEPTEMBER MEETING

Our September meeting again saw a good attendance of about 40, with 11 of them being competitors in the Air and Jig competition.

However, first we had to have our annual meeting, which as you can see in the minutes contained in this newsletter was accomplished in quick time with no major surprises!

President Donald Galloway then introduced Ross Campbell as our judge for the contest and we got underway. We only had one entrant in the Junior contest but 10 in the Senior event!

The players in order of play, together with their tunes, were:

Junior:

Nicholas Johns - *O My Love, The Barley Mow*

Senior:

Nick Tomkins - *Massacre of Glencoe, Wrafter's Jam*  
Andrew Roach - *Hector the Hero, The*

*Curlew*

Vaughn Parker - *MacCrimmon Will Never Return, James McLellan's Favourite*

Lloyd-George Worth - *Leaving Eriskay, Archie Beag*

Lachlan McPhee- *Leaving Lismore, Alan MacPherson of Mossbank*

Wayne Kennedy - *Samantha's Lullaby, Aleck McDonald*

Tom McGirr - *Terry Tully's Air, Troy's Wedding*

Malcolm Cox - *The Shoreline of Lewis, Glasgow City Police Pipers*

Malcolm MacKellar - *Gin I Were a Baron's Heir, The Geese in the Bog*

Larry Flynn - *Heather Island, Old Wife of the Mill Dust*

Quite a marathon, especially given the reduced time available due to the annual meeting!

As some had to leave soon to travel a long distance, we

took the opportunity to draw the raffle while the judge was considering his verdict and it was duly won by Steve Stanley.

Ross Campbell made some general comments, especially about jig playing. He said it is important to make sure the rhythm still comes through in a jig, even though it is very subtle. He also mentioned that loud tapping of feet rather detracts from the music and should be avoided.

Then the results were announced and prizes presented by Donald Galloway as follows:

Junior:

1st Nicholas Johns

Senior

1st Larry Flynn  
2nd Vaughn Parker  
3rd Tom McGirr  
4th Andrew Roach  
5th Malcolm Cox

A picture of the winners accompanies this report.

Andrew Roach spoke to the meeting urging all to come to the tutors' recital at the workshop being held at BBC shortly.

The night by now being well advanced, the meeting was concluded and supper commenced.



Our Winners: Nicholas Johns, Malcolm Cox, Andrew Roach, Tom McGirr, Vaughn Parker, Larry Flynn

## Piobaireachd Group

Owing to work being done to floors of several School buildings the October meeting of the was held in the Communication Building with an attendance and appreciative gathering of fifteen including a group of three from Ballina.

Apologies from Ian Godson and Tam McGirr were recorded followed by some discussion of the Recital Day in November.

The session was commenced with Peter Hurwood playing *Catherine's Lament* followed by Lachlan McPhee playing *Too Long in this Condition* ( suitable selection as had just completed an overnight charity relay).

Other players and their tunes for the meeting were :-

Bruce McLeod – *Struan Robertson's Salute* and *The Company's Lament*  
Ross Campbell – *Lord Lovat's Lament* and *The Battle of Bealach nam Brog*  
Andrew McCabe – *The Little Spree*

The tune for the meeting , *Salute to Donald* was well presented by Ross with some good discussion of its timing and flow.

We are looking forward to another successful day of Piobaireachd on the 4th November commencing at 9.45.

# What's on.....

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## 22 Society Meeting

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### 4 QHPS Piobaireachd Recital Day (see separate notice)

4 Combined Scottish Societies (NSW) Pipe Band Contest, Castle Hill Showground, NSW

18 NSW State Solo Piping and Drumming Contests - Scots College, Bellevue Hill, Sydney

### 26 Society Meeting - Jack McCandlish Trophy

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1 Redcliffe Pipe Band St Andrew's Day Ceilidh - 7pm - \$20 - Bramble Bay Bowls Club - Contact 0467 066 665 or email redcliffescottish@hotmail.com

### 2 Society Piobaireachd Group

Following on the successful Scotland Homecoming year in 2009, there is to be another one in 2014 - worth remembering if you're planning a trip in the next few years.

**VISIT THE COMING EVENTS PAGE AT [www.pipebandsqld.org](http://www.pipebandsqld.org) FOR MORE DETAILS ON THE ABOVE, INCLUDING WEB LINKS AND EMAIL ADDRESSES**

For more details about above events where a contact isn't mentioned, ring or email the Secretary (07 3397 4512 or [qhps@qhps.org](mailto:qhps@qhps.org)) and we'll see what we can dig up for you. If we don't know about your event (social, musical, or whatever) we can't publicise it. So tell us and get free publicity

## CONTEST DATES FOR 2013

Some of these dates are still provisional. Solo contests at Maclean and Ipswich - others Bands only

24 March	Brisbane Boys College, Toowong
29-30 March	Maclean Highland Gathering
18 May	Sunshine Coast, Yandina
8 June	Ipswich
21 July	Clans Congress, Logan City

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## ***2012 Piobaireachd Recital Day***

Sunday, 4th November - Rochedale State High School

9.45 am – onwards

The QHPS Piobaireachd Group will be holding their second annual Recital Day in the Performing Arts Section of the Rochedale State High School, Priestdale Road, Rochedale. commencing at 9.45 a.m.

admission \$5.00 single ( players included) - \$10.00 family

***BYO cut lunch - Tea & Coffee provided***

A list of tunes and players will be placed on our website [www.qhps.org](http://www.qhps.org) when available  
Come for one tune or hear them all

### **RADIO PROGRAMS**

**College of Piping Radio:** You can tune in on the Internet on [www.college-of-piping.co.uk/html/radio.htm](http://www.college-of-piping.co.uk/html/radio.htm)

**4EB - FM 98.1** – Thursday afternoons 2.15—4.30 pm

**Radio 997 FM (Redcliffe)** – Sundays 12noon to 3pm

**Burnett River Radio (91.5 FM)** - Thursdays 7pm to 9pm

### **OTHER PIPING SOCIETIES**

**The Smallpipers Group** - Contact Malcolm McLaren for meeting details - [mrmclaren@bigpond.com](mailto:mrmclaren@bigpond.com)

**The NSW Pipers' Society** usually meets on the 1st Wednesday of each month. Contact Ron Clement – 02 9948 1914.

**Victorian Pipers Association:** <http://www.vicpipers.org/>

**RU Brown Piobaireachd Society of South Australia:** [www.rubrown.org.au](http://www.rubrown.org.au)



### **MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE QUEENSLAND HIGHLAND PIPERS' SOCIETY INC HELD ON 24 SEPTEMBER 2012 AT BALMORAL BOWLS CLUB**

**President:** President Donald Galloway took the chair at 7.35pm

**Present:** 40 members and others.

**Apologies:** Nil

**Minutes of Previous Annual Meeting:** *Moved* A McConnell *seconded* S Supranowicz that the minutes of the 2011 annual meeting which were published in the October 2011 Newsletter be taken as read and confirmed. *Carried*

**President's report:** Donald Galloway read his report to the meeting.

**Accounts:** The Treasurer presented the accounts and briefly explained the major items. The accounts since incorporation only require the President or Treasurer to supply a certificate that the accounts have been properly kept. That certificate has been given by the Treasurer. A copy of the accounts is published in this newsletter. *Moved* A McConnell, *seconded* J O'Neil that the accounts be received and adopted. *Carried*

**Election of Officers**

Donald Galloway asked Maurie DeHayr to take the chair.

Valid nominations had been received for the following

**President:** Donald Galloway - Declared elected (A McConnell/M DeHayr)

Donald returned to the chair

**Secretary:** Alex McConnell – Declared elected (M DeHayr/D Galloway)

**Treasurer:** Alex McConnell - Declared elected (M DeHayr/D Galloway)

**Patron (Management Committee position):** Maurie DeHayr - declared elected (A McConnell/D Galloway)

**Vice President (Management Committee position):** Andrew Roach - Declared elected (Vik Supranowicz/M DeHayr)

**Subscription:** It was *Moved* A McConnell that the 2003/14 subscription be \$35, payable before the Annual Meeting in 2013. *Seconded* by J O'Neil and *Carried*

**PBA Membership:** *Moved* A McConnell, *seconded* M Paterson that we affiliate. *Carried*. Delegate T McGirr (R Campbell/P Burrows) plus one to be appointed by the committee.

**General Business**

The Secretary conveyed the good wishes of Vic MacKay to the Society. He is no longer able to attend but follows us with interest and has made a donation to the Society.

It was suggested we could make one of our Monday night meetings for next year a Piobaireachd night, possibly a competition - the committee will consider this when planning next year's program

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 8.00pm

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**NOTES**

1. We remain in a viable position and have had quite a successful year. Despite a reduction in subscription revenue, we have had a more than countervailing increase in door takings at meetings, which indicates that our activities are being successful. The overall financial result for the year was very close to break-even.
  - 2 The Scots PGC Workshop Fund is the result of us putting the income and expenses for these workshops through our books. The workshops made a profit, so we are holding this amount to be used for future workshops.
  3. The Society printer/photocopier which had ceased to operate was disposed of and a new laser printer purchased. This is working well for production of the newsletter.
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Statement pursuant to sub paragraph 59B (2) (b) (ii) of the ASSOCIATIONS INCORPORATION ACT 1981

As Treasurer of the Queensland Highland Pipers Society Inc I state that the association keeps financial records in a way that properly records the association's income and expenditure and dealings with its assets and liabilities.

(signed)

A J McConnell

Treasurer

Queensland Highland Pipers' Society Inc

19 September 2012

Queensland Highland Pipers' Society Inc  
Income and Expenditure (with prior year comparison)  
1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012

	J ul '11 - J un 12	J ul '10 - J un 11
Income		
DONATIONS	85.00	150.00
DOOR TAKINGS		
Piobaireachd Club	600.00	284.00
Other	1,413.00	823.80
Total DOOR TAKINGS	2,013.00	1,107.80
INTEREST	12.83	11.77
SUBSCRIPTIONS	2,040.00	2,490.00
Total Income	4,150.83	3,759.57
Expense		
BANK CHARGES	47.18	49.80
DEPRECIATION	45.00	241.10
POSTAGE	657.58	601.41
PRINTING	114.59	498.19
PRIZE MONEY		
6/8 Contest	370.00	350.00
Air & Jig	185.00	60.00
Jimmy Durham Trophy	160.00	220.00
Hornpipe and Jig	95.00	110.00
Pairs of Pipers	160.00	320.00
Patron's Trophy	180.00	180.00
Other	0.00	-45.00
Total PRIZE MONEY	1,150.00	1,195.00
RAFFLES	277.59	175.79
RENT		
Piobaireachd Meetings	528.00	396.00
Monthly Meetings	850.00	760.00
Total RENT	1,378.00	1,156.00
STATIONERY	44.63	0.00
OTHER EXPENSES		
Computer	89.75	0.00
Presentations	132.35	0.00
Sponsorships	170.00	0.00
Sundries	115.45	126.95
Total OTHER EXPENSES	507.55	126.95
SUPPERS	43.62	21.27
TELEPHONE	20.00	0.00
Total Expense	4,285.74	4,065.51
Net Income	-134.91	-305.94

Queensland Highland Pipers' Society Inc  
Balance Sheet (with prior year comparison)  
As of June 30, 2012

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ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Chequing/Savings	4,019.34	4,521.69
Cheque Account	33.21	52.21
NAB Cheque Account		
Total Chequing/Savings	4,052.55	4,573.90
Other Current Assets		
Printer Costs Recoverable	224.44	0.00
Undeposited Funds	100.00	145.00
Total Other Current Assets	324.44	145.00
Total Current Assets	4,376.99	4,718.90
Fixed Assets		
BROTHER LASER PRINTER	207.00	0.00
Total Fixed Assets	207.00	0.00
TOTAL ASSETS	4,583.99	4,718.90
LIABILITIES		
Current Liabilities		
Other Current Liabilities		
Scots PGC Workshop Fund	571.05	571.05
Total Other Current Liabilities	571.05	571.05
Total Current Liabilities	571.05	571.05
TOTAL LIABILITIES	571.05	571.05
NET ASSETS	4,012.94	4,147.85
EQUITY		
Opening Bal Equity	7,641.75	7,641.75
Retained Earnings	-3,493.90	-3,187.96
Net Income	-134.91	-305.94
TOTAL EQUITY	4,012.94	4,147.85

## SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR THE 2012/13 YEAR (\$35) ARE NOW DUE

Recently joined members have had their subscription counted towards the 2012/13 year so you don't need to pay again. Payments have been coming in steadily but there are still quite a few to go

There are several ways to pay:

1. Bring along a cheque or cash to a meeting
2. Post a cheque or money order to PO Box 1252 COORPAROO DC QLD 4151
3. Transfer the money to the Society's Account - Details are: Queensland Highland Pipers Society Inc, Westpac, BSB: 034037, Account: 274406. Please put your name in as a reference and email (to qhps@qhps.org ) or fax (to 07 3102 9269) a copy of the receipt.
4. Click on the button on the website (www.qhps.org) to pay by Paypal or Credit Card

## CONTEST RESULTS

### Springbank Invitational Solo Piping Competition - 15 September

#### Overall

Willie McCallum (for the eighth time)

#### Piobaireachd

- 1st Niall Stewart
- 2nd Willie McCallum
- 3rd Angus MacColl
- 4th Roddy MacLeod

#### MSR

- 1st Willie McCallum
- 2nd Stuart Liddell
- 3rd Roddy MacLeod
- 4th Iain Speirs, Edinburgh

#### Hornpipe & Jig

- 1st Angus MacColl
- 2nd Roddy MacLeod
- 3rd Stuart Liddell
- 4th Gordon Walker, Galston, Scotland
- Also competing: Callum Beaumont
- Judges: Iain MacFadyen, Iain Morrison and John Wilson

### Julie Appleton-Seymour Trophy Invitational Contest - Whepstead Manor, Wellington Point - 23 September

- 1st Matthew Rigby
- 2nd Andrew Roach
- 3rd Joe Joyce

The competitors were required to play the Hornpipe  
Julie's Hornpipe and a jig of their own choice  
Judge: Mark McKenzie

### Start working up your tunes for the **Jack McCandlish Trophy 6/8 March Competition** at our **November** meeting.

Junior Contest test piece: One 4-parted or two 2-parted tunes

Senior contest test piece: Two 4-parted tunes played consecutively

To be eligible for the Junior Contest, players must be graded C or D. All others will play in the senior division.