

Queensland Highland Pipers' Society

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Newsletter - July 2013

July Meeting

on Monday 22nd at 7.30pm at Balmoral Bowls Club Jean Howie Drive, Morningside

This meeting will feature

The Jimmy Durham Memorial Trophy for junior players (Grade D and C)

The test piece is a 2/4 March of 4 or more parts of the competitor's choice played once through.

Prizes: 1st: The Jimmy Durham trophy plus \$100.

2nd: \$60 4th: \$20 3rd: \$40 5th: \$15

Entries to qhps@qhps.org or 07 3397 4512 or before 7.15pm on the night.

The Judge will be Andrew Roach

The Newsletter is early this month and it's also rather brief as I am having some medical treatment and need to get it out before that starts. We will catch up with contest results later.

All the best to those heading for Scotland for the contests, either as competitors or spectators.

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2013 SOCIETY CALENDAR

MONTHLY MEETING Dates

FEBRUARY 25THPIPERS' NIGHT

JULY 22ND

JIMMY DURHAM MEMORIAL (2/4 FOR JUNIORS)

MARCH $25^{\text{\tiny TH}}$ Featured Pipers to be advised August $26^{\text{\tiny TH}}$ Featured Pipers to be advised

APRIL 22ND PIPERS FROM WYNNUM RSL SEPTEMBER 23RD (ANNUAL MEETING & AIR/JIG CONTEST)

MAY 27^{T}H Patron's Trophy (MSR for seniors) October 28^{TH} Featured Pipers to be advised November 25^{TH} Jack McCandlish Trophy (6/8s)

After each competition, the floor is open for all. Please advise as you arrive that you intend to play so we can schedule performances.

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.

PIOBAIREACHD GROUP

3rd February 5th May CANCELLED 4th August 3rd November (Recital)

3rd March 2nd June 8th September 1st December

7th April 7th July 6th October

JUNE MEETING

Unfortunately your scribe wasn't able to be at the meeting in July (only out of hospital a couple of hours beforehand) but by all accounts it was an excellent night. Maurie DeHayr has provided some notes from which we have compiled the account of the evening.

Attendance was 28 and the evening commenced with Andrew Roach playing for about 30 minutes as people arrived.

Jack was on the door as usual helped by Glenys O'Malley. Margaret Paterson and others helped in the kitchen but Jack was definitely in charge!

The featured pipers for the evening had been provided by the Queensland Highlanders.

The first player was Bob Hopper and his tunes included Green Lands, Gardens of Skye, Teribus, Jenny's Bawbee, Mrs Lily Christie, Kenneth McCloud, Taking of Beaumont Hamel, Shepherd's Crook, Brown Haired Maid, Battle of Glencoe, Train Journey North, Donella Beaton and Paddy's Leather Breeches.

He was followed by Jim Allan and his list was - Minstrel Boy, Farewell to Nigg, At Long Last, Onapping Falls, Alexander McKenzie Clark, Bruce Gandy's Farewell to the Iron Horse, Sleeping Song, Pivovar Express, Arran Campbell, Merivale Princess and Alan MacPherson of Moss Park.

Jason Palfrey played next - the 6/8s Pipe Sergeant John Barclay and Ellen Orr, 4/4s Jack's Welcome Home, P/M Bob Martin and The Great Muster, 3/4s Castle Dangerous and P/M Angus MacDonald, 6/4 Tones of Westlawn, 9/8 Bathgate Highland Gathering, jigs Rocking the Baby, Athol Highlanders, Jack's Jig and Glasgow City Police, hornpipe Dora Watt, jig John Paterson's Mare, 2/4 Lord Alexander Kennedy and air Loch Broom.

As a finale, the three who had already played plus Darin Cook played together. First they played the 3/4 Bloody Fields of Flanders and then the 1st half of their medley - hornpipe The Holy Shamrock and jig The North American Pipe Band. Finally they played the second half of their medley - Hail to My Country, Highland Whisky, The Rusty Gun and The Incubator.

After that feast of playing, the raffle was drawn by Jason Palfrey and won by Mary Gibbs. It was announced that the judge for the Jimmy Durham trophy next month would be Andrew Roach and it was time for supper. All present greatly appreciated the evening's piping.

Piobaireachd Group

As we go to press, the July meeting has not happened yet, so next month we will report on July and August

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One set of SS/6 Shepard Bagpipes, excellent pipes – Sticks only, comes with Shepard blackwood chanter.

To sell all as one lot – complete \$2,500.00

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

Radio 99.7 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

The NSW Pipers' Society usually meets on the 1st Thursday of each month. Contact Adam Wishart – 0409 158 237 or adamwishart@live.com.au

Victorian Pipers Association: http://www.vicpipers.org/

RU Brown Piobaireachd Society of South Australia: www.rubrown.org.au

What's on.....

21 Clans Congress Band Contest - Logan Garden, Logan City www.pipebandsqld.org U 22 Society Meeting - Jimmy Durham Memorial Contest (2/4 for Grade C & D) L 27 Scottish Pipe Band Championships - Dumbarton 4 Society Piobaireachd Group 16-18 Scots in the Bush - Mundubbera. Contact 07 4168 0168 or 07 4168 0159 www.boondoomahomestead.org.au Α U 17-18 Worlds Pipe Band Championships - Glasgow G 21-22 Argyllshire Highland Games - Oban 26 Society Meeting - Featured Pipers to be advised 31 Cowal Pipe Band Championships - Dunoon 5-6 Northern Meeting, Inverness S 8 Society Piobaireachd Group Ε

23 Society Annual Meeting and Air/Jig Contest

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.

31 Wynnum RSI Mini Band Contest at the Wynnum RSL club (watch for more details)

VISIT THE COMING EVENTS PAGE AT 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) 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 RESULTS

<u>Donald MacDonald Quaich Invitational Solo</u> <u>Piping Competition - Armadale, Skye – 15 June</u>

Winner

Cameron Drummond of Edinburgh, playing the Donald MacDonald setting of "The MacDougalls' Gathering" from the MacArthur Manuscript.

Other competitors: Glenn Brown, "Glengarry's March"; William Geddes, "My King Has Landed in Moidart"; and Douglas Murray, "The Gathering of the MacDonalds."

Aberdeen Highland Games - 16 June

Overall

David Wilton

Piobaireachd

1st Mael Sicard-Cras, "Macleod of Rassay's Salute" 2nd David Wilton, "The Park Piobaireachd No 2" 3rd Robert Gibb, "Isabel MacKay" 4th Alan Clark, "The Marquis of Argyll's Salute" 5th Grieg Canning, "Lament for Donald of Laggan" Judges: Norman Matheson, Duncan Watson

March

1st Greig Wilson 2nd David Wilton 3rd Allan Russell 4th Connor Sinclair 5th Ailish Sutherland

Judges: John MacDougall, James Hamilton

Strathspey & Reel

1st Allan Russell

2nd Connor Sinclair

3rd Greig Wilson

4th David Shedden

5th Fraser Maitland

Judges: John MacDougall, James Hamilton

Jig

1st David Wilton

2nd Ailish Sutherland

3rd Connor Sinclair

4th Greig Wilson

5th Jeffrey Lawson

Judges: Ronnie Maclean, Archie MacLean

<u>European Pipe Band Championship - Forres,</u> Scotland – 29 June

Grade 1 (Medley)

1st Field Marshal Montgomery

2nd Inveraray & District

3rd Boghall & Bathgate Caledonia

4th St. Laurence O'Toole

5th Greater Glasgow Police Scotland

6th ScottishPower

Judges: Gordon Lawrie, Bill Garrett (piping); Sandy

Russell (drumming); Joe Noble (ensemble)

Grade 2 (MSR)

1st Buchan Peterson

2nd Lomond & Clyde

3rd Glasgow Skye

4th Oban

5th Dumbarton & District

6th Mackenzie Caledonian

Ceres Highland Games - 29 June

Piobaireachd

1st Robert Gibb, "Isabel MacKay"

2nd Donald MacLeod, "Too Long in this Condition"

3rd Craig Martin, "Battle of Auldearn" No. 2

4th Douglas Gardiner, "Melbank's Salute"

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