

# Queensland Highland Pipers' Society

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# Newsletter - July 2014

# July Meeting

on Monday 28th at 7.30pm

at

BULIMBA BOWLS CLUB, QUINN STREET BALMORAL Admission \$5

## The 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. **Only open to those who have not previously won the event.** 

Prizes: 1st: The Jimmy Durham trophy plus \$100, 2nd: \$60, 3rd: \$40, 4th: \$20, 5th: \$15 Entries to qhps@qhps.org or 07 3397 4512 or before 7.15pm on the night.

As our contest season winds down (although there may be another contest in September - watch for details) the season in Scotland is in full swing as you can see from the results section.

Also there is to be a Youth Piping and Drumming School at BBC on September 30-October 1 with a stellar cast of instructors - see *What's On* inside. Andrew Roach is behind this so please recommend it to any Under 19 pipers you know.

Congratulations to the BBC Band for their success at Annan and at the European Championships in Forres. Also note that Inverary and District, which Society Vice President Andrew Roach plays with, won their first "major" at the Europeans. The World is only a few weeks away and you can see inside that St Andrews are having a fund-raiser including live streaming of the contest. This is to raise funds for their planned trip to Scotland in 2015.

Our next meeting is the Jimmy Durham Memorial trophy for junior players (see details above), Please encourage any qualified players who have not previously won the event to enter and give us a good competition next Monday night.

Alex McConnell

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#### **MONTHLY MEETING Dates**

FEBRUARY 24 <sup>th</sup> Fetaured Piper-AlastAir mcInnes July 28 <sup>th</sup> Jimmy Durham Memorial (2/4 for juniors)			
March $24^{\text{th}}$	Featured Pipers	August 25 <sup>th</sup> Featured Pipers	
April 28 <sup>t</sup> h	PAIR OF PIPERS CONTEST	September 22 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting + Air/Jig contest	
May 26 <sup>th</sup>	PATRON'S TROPHY (MSR FOR SENIORS)	October 27 <sup>th</sup> Julie Appleton-Seymour Memorial	
JUNE $23^{\text{RD}}$	Featured Pipers	NOVEMBER 24 <sup>th</sup> 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

2nd February 2nd March 6<sup>th</sup> April 4th May 1st June 6th July 3rd August 14<sup>th</sup> September 5<sup>th</sup> October

3<sup>rd</sup> November (Recital) 2nd December

# JUNE MEETING

The June meeting of the Society was a very "quiet" one. With lots of apologies including Margaret Paterson, Joan O'Neil, Andrew Roach and Ross Campbell, we only managed to muster a total of 11 attendees. The cold weather probably didn't help either! Nevertheless, those present soldiered on.

First to play was Bruce McLeod with a very nice and resonant pipe giving us *Fair Maid of Barra*.

Maurie DeHayr was next to play and his tunes included a set of four 4/4s to tune up, *Lochanside, Farewell to the Creeks, The Eighth Army* and *Innes Barker's Dance* (strathspey) among others including *Road to the Isles* - Maurie told the story of the various names this tune has been known by. He had a little trouble with his chanter but the pipe was still quite good overall.

Donald Galloway had also brought his pipes along and his selection included *My Home*, 10th HLI Crossing the Rhine, Pibroch o' Donald Dhu, All the Blue Bonnets are over the Border, Green Hills of Tyrol, When the Battle's O'er, Marie's Wedding and Scotland the Brave. All played on a nice musical instrument straight out of the box.

Your scribe was then convinced to have a tune, using Maurie's pipe as mine was safely in bed at home. After a little adjustment to the chanter and some experimental blowing on an unfamiliar instrument, I played the following: Not a Swan on the Lake, Highland Cradle Song, Loch Rannoch, A Man's a Man, Farquahar McRae, The 42nd, Scotland the Brave, Rab's Wedding and Mrs Lily Christie.

Maurie then gave us another selection including The *Dark Island, Highland Laddie* (4 parts), *Brown Haired Maiden* (4 parts), *The Australian Ladies* and *Cock of the North*. Unfortunately I didn't catch all the tune names.

Bruce McLeod finished off the evening of piping by playing *The Company's Lament* up to and including the tripling.

Donald Galloway called for a round of applause for all the pipers. He advised that our previous venue, The Balmoral Bowls Club, is now to be leased by the African Community, so we will not be returning there. He reminded all that the next Piobaireachd Group meeting is on 6 July and that our July Meeting will be the annual Jimmy Durham Memorial Trophy for junior players. He also mentioned the upcoming Logan Band contest.

All that remained was to draw the raffle, won by Bill Stuart who had come from Toowoomba for the meeting. and the usual supper and conversation followed.

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# Our New Venue

is the Bulimba Bowls Club in the suburb of Balmoral (some continuity since our previous one was the Balmoral Bowls Club in the suburb of Morningside!)

To get there, turn off Wynnum Road or Lytton Road into Thynne Road and then after some distance into Quinn Street. The club car park entrance is in Quinn Street and there is disabled access to the building. If you absolutely have to play pipes outside, please stay on the Thynne Road side of the club building and away from Quinn Street, so as to minimise noise disruption.



# Piobaireachd Group

The July meeting was attended by seven people, with apologies from Peter Hurwood, Peter Murray, Bruce McLeod and Andrew McCabe.

Ross Campbell played the set tune for the day, Kinlochmoidart No 1, and then we went through Ross's notes and sang the tune.

Next to play was David Marriner with Lament for the Old Sword which was followed by some discussion.

Morning tea followed and afterwards Sandy Dalziel played Clan Campbell's Gathering and Black Donald's March

There was some discussion about the recent Ipswich contest.

Ross Campbell sent out an appeal for anyone who may have documentation on an old open reel tape recorder (Teac A7300rx) which he has recently acquired - so if you have any information we can pass it on to him

The last tune for the day was Ian Yardley playing Kinlochmoidart No 1

#### **OTHER PIPING SOCIETIES**

The Smallpipers Group - 1st Tuesday of the month at Milton. Contact Malcolm McLaren for meeting details - mrmclaren@bigpond.com or 3820 2902

The NSW Pipers' Society usually meets on the 1st Thursday of each month at Unit 2/10 Hampstead Road, Homebush West, 2140. Contact Adam Wishart – 0409 158 237 or adamwishart@live.com.au

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

Canberra Pipers Society - contact Sean Hodgman 02 6282 2795

West Australian Piper's Society - contact 08 9448 7446

**RU Brown Piobaireachd Society of South Australia:** www.rubrown.org.au or Craig Masson 08 8261 1119



## "Raising the Standard"

The Scottish & Celtic Magazine of Queensland Be fully informed and up-to-date on what is happening in the Scottish and Celtic Community, here and overseas. Progressive Calendars of Events for Pipe Bands; Highland Dancing; Scottish Country Dancing; Irish Dancing and Clans Congress are featured in each edition of "Raising the Standard" Annual Subscription - \$30 (including postage) Write to: ALBA Publications, PO Box 8024, Wynnum North, Qld 4178 07 3396 9025

# What's on......

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U L	26	Scottish Pipe Band Championships - Dumbarton
	28	Society Meeting - Jimmy Durham Memorial Contest
A U G	3	Society Piobaireachd Group
	15,16	World Pipe Band Championships - Glasgow Green
	15-17	Scots in the Bush - Boondoomba Homestead (between Dalby and Gayndah), Piping, Dancing, Celtic Bands etc. Contact 07 4168 0159 or 07 4168 0168
	24	Combined Scottish Societies of NSW Solo Contest
	25	Society Meeting
	27,28	Argyllshire Gathering, Oban
	4,5	Northern Meeting, Inverness
	14	Society Piobaireachd Group
S E P	22	Society Meeting - Annual Meeting and Air/Jig contest
	30-1/10	<ul> <li>Qld Youth Piping and Drumming School for under 19s. Piping instructors Stuart Liddell, Kyle Warren and Callum Beaumont. Contact Andrew Roach 0417 287 443 or bigmansmate@bigpond.com</li> </ul>
	Oct 25	Glenfiddich Championship - Blair Castle
	Followi	ng on the successful Scotland Homecoming year in 2009, there is to be another one in 2014

## 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

## RADIO PROGRAMS

College of Piping Radio: You can tune in on the Internet on http://www.collegeofpiping.org/media/cop-radio/

**4EB - FM 98.1** – Thursday afternoons 2.15—4.30 pm. Listen any time on demand by going to http://www.4eb.org.au/ondemand and choose the Scottish Program

Radio 99.7 FM (Redcliffe) - Sundays 12noon to 3pm

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

# CONTEST RESULTS

#### Aberdeen Games - 15 June

#### Piobaireachd

1st Robert Gibb, Lament for Captain MacDougall 2nd Alan Clark, The Marquis of Argyll's Salute 3rd Allan Russell, Lament for the Only Son 4th Jamie Forrester, The Battle of the Pass of Crieff 5th Michael Elder, Lament for the Viscount of Dundee Judges: Norman Mathieson, Duncan Watson

#### March

1st Allan Russell 2nd Alan Clark 3rd Andrew Wilson 4th Michael Elder 5th Craig Black Judges: Jimmy Hamilton, Stuart Samson

#### Strathspey & Reel

1st Andrew Wilson 2nd Allan Russell 3rd Alan Clark 4th Robert Gibb 5th Fraser Maitland Judges: Jimmy Hamilton, Stuart Samson

#### Jig

1st Jamie Forrester 2nd Alan Clark 3rd Peter McAlister 4th James McPetrie 5th Michael Elder Judges: Archie MacLean, Ronnie MacLean

#### <u>United States Piping Foundation Professional</u> <u>Championships - Newark, Delaware – 21 June</u>

#### Professional

# **Piobaireachd (St. Andrew's Society of Philadelphia Silver Quaich)**

1st Vic Frank, Maryland, *Lament for the Only Son* 2nd Bruce Gandy,Nova Scotia, *Donald Gruamach's March* 

3rd Andrew Carlisle, Pittsburgh, *The Big Spree* 4th Alex Gandy, Nova Scotia, *Lament for Captain MacDougall* 

5th Liz Cherry, Pittsburgh, Lady MacDonald's Lament

Judges: Peter Kent, Jimmy McIntosh

MSR (St. Andrew's Society of Baltimore Silver Charger)

1st Alex Gandy, Verna Leith's Wedding March, Arniston Castle, Alex C. MacGregor
2nd Eric Ouellette, New York, John MacDonald's Farewell to South Uist, Caledonian Society of London, Ca' the Ewes
3rd Andrew Carlisle, Braes of Castle Grant, Blair Drummond, Pretty Marion
4th Bruce Gandy, The Pap of Glencoe, The Islay Ball, Charlie's Welcome
5th Derek Midgley, New Jersey, Duncan MacColl, Neil Sutherland of Lairg, Arnish Light
Judges: Colin MacLellan, Jim Stack

#### Lorne Highland Games - Oban - 22 June

#### **Open MSR**

- 1. Gordon McCready
- 2. Euan Dewar
- 3. Rhuaraidh Edwards
- 4. Niall Jordan
- 5. Iain MacIntyre
- 6. Calum MacLean
- Judge: Nick MacLean

#### <u>Craigavon & District Championships - Lurgan,</u> <u>Northern Ireland – 21 June</u>

#### Grade 1

Overall

Field Marshal Montgomery

#### MSR

1st St. Laurence O'Toole 2nd Field Marshal Montgomery 3rd Cullybackey 4th Ravara Judges: George Wilson, Iain Simpson (piping); Paul Turner (drumming); Peter Snaddon (ensemble)

#### Medley

1st Field Marshal Montgomery
2nd St. Laurence O'Toole
3rd Cullybackey
4th Ravara
Judges: Winston Pollock, Colin Moffett (piping);
Gordon Parkes (drumming); John Moles (ensemble)

#### **European Pipe Band Championships - Forres** -28 June

Grade 1 (medley)

1st Inveraray & District 2nd ScottishPower Queensland Highland Pipers Society Newsletter

3rd St. Laurence O'Toole (ens.pref)
4th Field Marshal Montgomery
5th Shotts & Dykehead Caledonia
6th Peoples Ford Boghall & Bathgate
Drumming: St. Laurence O'Toole
Judges: George Wilson, Ian Wood (piping); Paul
Turner (drumming); Peter Snaddon (ensemble)

#### Grade 2 (MSR)

1st Buchan Peterson 2nd Mackenzie Caledonian 3rd Torphichen & Bathgate 4th Lomond & Clyde 5th Glasgow Skye 6th City of Edinburgh Judges: Gordon Lawrie, Harry Stevenson (piping); David Brown (drumming); Joe Noble (ensemble)

#### **Novice Juvenile**

1st West Lotian Schools 2nd George Watson's College 3rd George Heriot's School 4th Dollar Academy 5th Preston Lodge High School **6th Brisbane Boys College** 

#### **Ceres Highland Games - 28 June**

#### Senior

#### Piobaireachd

1st Robert Gibb 2nd Michael Elder 3rd Craig Martin 4th Andrew Hill

#### March

1st Michael Elder 2nd Robert Gibb 3rd Craig Martin 4th Andrew Hill

#### **Strathspey & Reel**

1st Robert Gibb 2nd Michael Elder 3rd Craig Martin 4th Andrew Hill Judge: Euan Anderson

#### Annan Pipe Band Contest - 5 July

#### Grade 3

1st 101 Northumbrian Reg RA
2nd City of Newcastle
3rd Royal Burgh of Annan
4th Manchester Phoenix
5th Greater Machester F&R
6th Brisbane Poys College

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#### **1st Brisbane Boys College** 2nd Northumberland Scittish

3rd Irvine & District

#### **Thornton Highland Games - 5 July**

#### Open

Grade 4

#### Piobaireachd

1st Greig Canning 2nd Craig Martin 3rd Greig Wilson 4th Ross Miller

#### **MSR**

1st Callum Watson 2nd Greig Wilson 3rd Craig Martin 4th Greig Canning Judges: Euan Anderson and Andrew Frater

#### Luss Games - 5 July

#### Piobaireachd

1st Edward Gaul, *The Groat* 2nd Rebecca Tierney, *Clan Campbell's Gathering* 3rd Steven Gray, *Wee Spree* Judges: R Wallace, W Morrison

#### March

1st Steven Gray 2nd Rebecca Tierney 3rd Craig Sutherland

#### Strathspey & Reel

1st Steven Gray 2nd Edward Gaul 3rd Craig Sutherland Judges: I McLellan, N Mulvie

#### <u> All-Ireland Pipe Band Championship - 5 July</u>

## Grade 1

#### Medley

1st St. Laurence O'Toole (ens.pref.) 2nd Field Marshal Montgomery 3rd Cullybackey Judges: Bill Garrett, Michael Fitzgerald (piping); David Brown (drumming); Gordon Lawrie (ensemble)

#### MSR

1st St. Laurence O'Toole 2nd Field Marshal Montgomery 3rd Cullybackey Judges: Malcolm MacKenzie, Colin Moffett (piping); Ciaran Mordaunt (drumming); Joe Noble (ensemble)

#### Grade 2

1st Bleary & District 2nd Manorcunningham 3rd Arklow 4th St. Finbarr's Judges: Malcolm MacKenzie, Colin Moffett (piping); Ciaran Mordaunt (drumming); Joe Noble (ensemble)

#### **Taynuilt Games - 19 July**

#### Piobaireachd

1st Euan Dewar 2nd John Angus Smith 3rd Jamie Forrester Judges: R Clark, G Clark

#### March

1st Darach Urquhart 2nd Fred Morrison 3rd Jamie Forrester Strathspey & Reel 1st Fred Morrison 2nd Darach Urquhart 3rd John Angus Smith

#### Jig

1st Fred Morrison 2nd Jamie Forrester 3rd Darach Urquhart Champion Piper Jamie Forrester

#### **Inverness Highland Gathering - 19 July**

#### Overall

Peter McAlister

#### Piobaireachd

1st Peter McCalister 2nd Decker Forrest 3rd Jenny Hazzard 4th Stephen Spencer 5th Neil Clark Judges: James Jackson, Iain MacFadyen

#### MSR

1st Colin Campbell 2nd Euan MacCrimmon 3rd James MacPhee 4th Duncan Beattie 5th Decker Forrest Judges: Rona Lightfoot, Andy Venters

#### Hornpipe & Jig

1st Euan MacCrimmon 2nd James MacPhee 3rd Decker Forrest 4th Neil Clark 5th Jenny Hazzard Judges: Rona Lightfoot, Andy Venters

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#### **Roseneath Games - 20 July**

A Piobaireachd 1st D Midgley 2nd J Forrester 3rd M Dunn 4th JA Smith

#### A March

1st M Dunn 2nd A Henderson 3rd C Muirhead 4th A Russell

#### A Strathspey & Reel

1st A Henderson 2nd M Dunn 3rd A Russell 4th A Carlisle

#### Scotland in the Park Band Contest - Logan City - 20 July

## **Open Grade**

1st Queensland Highlanders 2nd St Andrews Drum Corps St Andrews

#### Grade 3

1st University of Qld at Emmanuel College

#### Grade 4

1st Gold Coast Tweed 2nd Qld Police Juvenile 3rd Maclean & District Drum Corps Qld Police Juvenile

#### Juvenile

1st Qld Police Juvenile Grade 4 MSR: Celtic Council of Australia Qld Inc Trophy Qld Police Juvenile

# Best Band Overall

Queensland Highlanders

## Drum Major

Dominic Andersen-Strudwick

#### Junior Drum Major

Aiden Ryan