

QUEENSLAND HIGHLAND PIPERS' SOCIETY

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NEWSLETTER AUGUST 2010

We gather 7.30 pm
Balmoral Bowls Club, Jean Howie Drive, Morningside

The Annual General Meeting will be held later this year. Alex is progressing well in walking physio. sessions in hospital and may be home end of August. Guillain Barre Syndrome is rare - we recommend people look GBS on internet and in books
Some
Doctors only see GBS during their Medical training.

Desley McConnell.

23rd August Pipers' Night

27th September Pairs of Pipers Contest with Junior and Senior divisions
If either or both players are Intermediate or above they will play in the Senior division.

Enteries: 3397 4512 (please leave message) or before 7.15 pm at the Club

7.30 pm the Junior Contest is planned to start

Junior Contest will be a test piece of 3-5 minutes of music including at least 4 parts of

2/4 or 6/8 March time (remainder own choice)

Prizes: 1st \$80 2nd \$40 3rd\$30

Senior Contest will be a test piece of 5-7 minutes of music including at least one 4 parted 2/4 March (remainder own choice)

Prizes: 1st \$100 2nd \$50 3rd\$30

25th October Pipers' Night

COMING EVENTS: please visit www.pipebandsqld.org

You will also see results of competitions

22nd November The Jack McCandlish Trophy Junior and Senior divisions
Entries: 3397 4512 (please leave message) or on the night at Club

Junior: one 4-parted or two 2-parted 6/8 Marches

Prizes: 1st \$80 2nd \$40 3rd \$30

Senior: two-4parted 6/8 Marches

Prizes: 1st \$100 2nd \$60 3rd \$40

Please remember this is our last Meeting for 2010 and bring along some Christmas food

For Supper.

JONDARYAN WOOLSHED OPEN AIR WORKING MUSEUM
34TH ANNUAL AUSTRALIAN HERITAGE FESTIVAL
21ST TO 29TH AUGUST 2010

(REMEMBER VOTING DAY)

HIGHLAND BUSH DANCE DINNER SATURDAY 21ST AUGUST 6.30 PM
\$30 PER PERSON (Licenced Function (drinks are not included in ticket price)

Music by: Celtic Crossover

Entrée: Haggis with a nip of whisky Main Course – Roast Lamb and Vegies
Dessert Shortbread with pears, caramel souce and pecans or Baked apple custard
Followed by fresh fruits, nuts and cheese platter with homemade after dinner mints
tea and coffee

ADDRESS TO A HAGGIS

By Chieftain of the Toowoomba Caledonian Society and the State President of the
Society of St. Andrew of Scotland(Qld) Ltd Mr. Kym Flehr

Tickets must be purchased in advance. Contact Jondaryan Woolshed 07 4692 2229

SATURDAY PROGRAMME 10.30 AM OFFICIAL OPENING
DURING THE DAY ENJOY MASSED PIPE BAND DISPLAYS
Sheep Dog trials, Tractor events, Wool felting and weaving, Knitting, Rope Making,
etc

Daily Admission: Adults \$15.50, Concession \$13.50, Child \$9.50
Family \$45.00 (above not payable if attending dance only)

PIPING SOCIETY MEETING - 26/07/2010

The July meeting of the Society as is tradition was set aside for 'The Jimmy Durham Memorial' competition for Junior players (elementary and sub-intermediate) and a lot of its prestige was lost with an attendance of 14 (including competitors) being the poorest attendance we have had for many years.

However not to be daunted the competition proceeded with four competitors – 3 from Warwick and one local - whose playing was adjudicated by Ross Campbell .

After an initial greeting from Matthew Supranowicz who advised the apologies of Tam McGirr (in Scotland); Alex & Desley McConnell (Alex still in Hospital) and Reg & Glenys O'Malley and the introduction of Ross Campbell as adjudicator the evenings programme commenced.

Players and tunes in order of appearance were :-

Malcolm MacKellar - "Charles Edward Hope Vere"
Benn Tomkins - "The Atholl and Breadalbane Gathering"
Lloyd-George Worth - "The Atholl and Breadalbane Gathering"
Meggie Doran - "Donald Maclellan of Rothesay"

Ross Campbell has supplied us with the following comments on the Competition

All of the competitors had a good understanding of how to play a big 2/4 march. Execution was mostly clear and correct, but with the usual problems of random gracenotes missed or not chirping and some doublings and grips not as clear as they might be. One defect that was shared by several players was the tendency to start the birl movement slightly ahead of the beat. The musical expression was mostly very good indeed, but one player was trying too hard in this area and the tune lost its flow.

Instruments were all very well set up, tempi appropriate in all performances.

Results

- 1st. Malcolm MacKellar
- 2nd. Lloyd-George Worth
- 3rd. Meggie Doran
- 4th. Ben Tomkins

Following the presentation of the Jimmy Durham Trophy and individual medals the meeting continued with several selections from pipers in attendance which included :-

James Doran - who played several 6/8's - Mucking O'Geordies Byre; Steam boat; Major May; Bonnie Dundee and A Hundred pipers followed by a MSR of Carradale bay, Struan Robertson and Lachlan McPhail

The Scots College contingent of Sandy Dalziel, Ben Tomkins, Malcolm MacKellar and Lloyd-George Worth were next to play a medley selection comprising Maui to Kowa; Under pressure; Loch Rannoch; Sionaides tune; Carnival Reel and Calypso piper

Matthew Supranowicz continued the evening with a selection of marches followed by some Irish Jigs and the Breton selection of Gavotte du Aven.

Ross Campbell had brought his pipe and offered a selection of three 4/4 marches – Accordion Man; Wee Deoch and Doris; and the Ron Fleming tune “Thanks for the music Billy Boyle”. He then gave a selection of 3 songs, an Air, 3 strathspeys and 4 reels – The Old House; The Factory Girl; Sweetly she sleeps my Alice Fair; Murdo Morrison of Lewis’ Centenary; Aspen Bank; Duke of Gordon’s Birthday; Captain Horne; Mrs MacLeod of Raasay; De’il among the Tailors; Kate Dalrymple and Sandy Duff.

Sandy Dalziel completed the piping with The Saffron Kilt; a MSR The Highland Wedding/ Maggie Cameron/Mrs Macpherson of Inveran; followed by the $\frac{3}{4}$ Dream Valley of Glendruel.

The nights piping being concluded the next item was the raffle won on this occasion by Joan O’Neill

A very enjoyable supper followed by much conversation brought a very entertaining meeting to its close.

The Piobaireachd Group

The August meeting of the Piobaireachd group was held a week later than usual on Sunday the 8th. to avoid a clash with the Redland contest and had an attendance of nine with apologies from Tam McGirr and Matthew Supranowicz (overseas), Iain Bruce, and Alex McConnell and Ian Davidson (both due to illness).

The session commenced with Ross Campbell playing The Kings Taxes, followed by Sandy Dalziel playing MacLeod of Raasay’s Salute. James Doran was the next to play and gave us the Ground of Glengarry’s lament. James was followed by Fraser Bolton who played Too Long in this Condition. and then Peter Hurwood gave us Glengarry’s Lament.

With time passing quickly Ross then took us through the set tune for the meeting Melbank’s Salute, a favourite of his, after which we adjourned for Morning tea.

After the break Ross played Melbanks Salute and discussed further some of the finer points to be thought of when playing the tune.

Maurie Dehayr was next to play, his tune being MacIntosh’s Lament, with the final tune for the meeting Macgregor’s Salute being played by Sandy Dalziel.

The next meeting to be 5th. September

PIOBAIREACHD Group
Meet at the Rochedale State High School 1st Sunday of the Month

10 am to 1pm \$5 per person
Contact person: Ross Campbell 4632 6932