



# Queensland Highland Pipers' Society

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## Newsletter - October 2010

### October Meeting

on Monday October 25  
7.30pm  
Balmoral Bowls Club

Jean Howie Drive, Morningside

The meeting will be the **Annual Meeting of the Society** followed by a Pipers' Night. We will have the presentation of reports and election of officers and any other Annual Meeting business at the start of the meeting.

**Annual Subscriptions** are payable by the date of the Annual Meeting and are **\$30.00** this year, as decided at last year's annual meeting. A subscription notice is enclosed with this newsletter or emailed if you owe subscriptions.

The September Meeting was another successful one, along with the last Piobaireachd Group, so it looks as though the Society can look forward to more success in the future. As we approach the annual meeting we have the chance to come up with new ideas, to find new people who can contribute by being on the committee and to resolve to make 2011 another successful year in the life of the Society.

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# 2010 SOCIETY CALENDAR

## MONTHLY MEETINGS

FEBRUARY 22 <sup>ND</sup>	PIPERS' NIGHT
MARCH 22 <sup>ND</sup>	HORNSPIPE & JIG CONTEST FOR SENIORS, 2 PARTED JIG FOR JUNIORS
APRIL 26 <sup>TH</sup>	PIPERS' NIGHT
MAY 24 <sup>TH</sup>	PATRON'S TROPHY CONTEST (MSR FOR SENIOR PLAYERS)
JUNE 28 <sup>TH</sup>	SLOW AIR AND JIG CONTEST
JULY 26 <sup>TH</sup>	JIMMY DURHAM MEMORIAL CONTEST (2/4 MARCH FOR JUNIOR PLAYERS)
AUGUST 23 <sup>RD</sup>	PIPERS NIGHT
SEPTEMBER 27 <sup>TH</sup>	PAIRS OF PIPERS CONTEST
OCTOBER 25 <sup>TH</sup>	PIPERS' NIGHT
NOVEMBER 22 <sup>ND</sup>	JACK McCANDLISH TROPHY (6/8 MARCHES)

- ◆ After each competition, the floor is open for all as at a Pipers' Night.
- ◆ 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

7 <sup>th</sup> February	<del>2<sup>nd</sup> May</del>	8 <sup>th</sup> August	7 <sup>th</sup> November
7 <sup>th</sup> March	6 <sup>th</sup> June	5 <sup>th</sup> September	5 <sup>th</sup> December
11 <sup>th</sup> April	4 <sup>th</sup> July	10 <sup>th</sup> October	

## SEPTEMBER MEETING

The September meeting of the Society saw an encouraging attendance of 36, 12 of whom were competitors for the programmed "PAIR OF PIPERS" competition which produced some fine and entertaining musical selections from the competing pairs.

After welcoming all to the meeting and announcing apologies from Alex and Desley McConnell, Mark McKenzie and Larry Flynn society president Tam McGirr took up his position as adjudicator for the competition.

The evenings proceedings commenced with the junior pairs the playing order being :-

1. Kirby Douglas and Malcolm MacKellar;
2. Lloyd George Worth and Kristin Stanfield Roche
3. Alexander Halpin and Charles Cunningham
4. Nick Tompkins and Rylie Douglas

On completion of the Junior event we were entertained by Cory Dale whose musical talent again shone throughout his performance

Unfortunately the Senior section contained only two

pairs whose order of play was :-

1. Sandy Dalziel and Robert Gibb
2. Matthew Supranowicz and Peter Gallacher

The results of the Competition being,

Junior

- 1st. Nick Tompkins/ Rylie Douglas
- 2nd Lloyd George Worth/ Kristan Stanfield Roche
- 3rd. Kirby Douglas/ Malcolm MacKellar
- 4th. Alexander Halpin/ Charles Cunningham

Senior

- 1st. Sandy Dalziel/ Robert Gibb
- 2nd. Matthew Supranowicz/ Peter Gallacher

After the presentation of prizes Sandy Dalziel introduced Robert Gibb from Dumfries who is a Gap student at Scots PGC College for the next 12 months to play a selection of tunes.

Robert's selection comprised a set of 4/4 marches. M.S.Rs, and hornpipes on a good sounding instrument.

On a general note it was good to hear the three pairs of juniors from Scots playing different selections, and we can thank Sandy Dalziel for his efforts in bringing pupils from Warwick to our Brisbane meetings.

Our thanks are also extended to Mrs Margaret Paterson

who sponsored the Junior Competition.

After the drawing of the raffle, won by Mr Worth (Warwick) a goodly supper was enjoyed by all.

## Piobaireachd Group

The October meeting was held on Sunday 10th. Having been postponed a week so as not to clash with the Noosa piping and drumming workshop and was well attended by pipers ready to receive instruction in the set tune - Corrienessan's Salute.

Ross Campbell commenced proceedings with The Marquis of Argyll's Salute, he was followed by Robert Gibb playing Isabel Mackay, and Peter Hurwood who played Glengarry's lament. Ross then took the group through Corrienessan's Salute followed by Gary Forno playing Sir James MacDonald of the Isles Lament.

Following morning tea Ross played the set tune (Corrienessan's Salute) and spoke of the several nuances in the differing variations. He was followed by Andrew McCabe with The Desperate Battle and Malcolm MacKellar with Sir James Macdonald of the Isles Lament. Kirby Douglas then played the Ground of Corrienessan's Salute followed by the ground, crunluath and a-mach of the Lament for the Old Sword.

Unfortunately time was then up and the meeting closed after Ross announced that at the next meeting (7th. November) the set tune would be The Park Piobaireachd No 2

# What's on.....

**C** 22 Scots PGC Warwick Pipe Band Concert

**T** 25 **Society Meeting - Pipers Night**

**N** 7 **Piobaireachd Group**

**O** 7 Combined Scottish Societies Band Contest - Castle Hill (Sydney)

**V** 22 **Society Meeting - Jack McCandlish Trophy (6/8s)**

**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**

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**The Smallpipers Group** - Contact Malcolm McLaren for meeting details -  
mrmclaren@bigpond.com

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

**Canberra Pipers Society:** contact Sean Hodgman ph 6282 2795 or email u4114272@anu.edu.au  
OR Jamie Forsyth 0419 631 999 or email jamesforsyth@hotmail.com

**RU Brown Piobaireachd Society of South Australia:** Contact Sue Kempster 08 8264 3329  
skempster@adam.com.au

**The WA Pipers' Society** meets on the 3rd Saturday at the Autumn Centre, Inglewood. Contact  
Mrs Alma Dender – 08 9448 7446

### 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)

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## **NEWS**

- > On a sad note, we record that **Ron Gallacher died** recently in Melbourne. Ron was a stalwart of the piping and band community in Victoria and his influence extended much further.
- > **Scott Nicholson and Dougal McConnell have retired** from the top piping and drumming positions at The Pipeband Club of Sydney. Both intend to stay with the Band. The new Pipe Major is Angus Stewart.
- > **Bob Martin, former Pipe Major of Boghall and Bathgate, died on 3 October.** The Band had great success in the 1970s and 1980s under his leadership. His son Fraser was one of the founders of the Queensland Highlanders and is now the leader of the North Queensland Scots.
- > **Line up for the Glenfiddich Championships on 30 October:**

Bruce Gandy (winner of the Masters Competition, Andrew Hayes (Northern Meeting Gold Medal), Faye Henderson (Argyllshire Gathering Gold Medal), Jack Lee (Northern Meeting Clasp), Stuart Liddell (Silver Star MSR winner at both Northern Meeting and Argyllshire Gathering and 2009 Glenfiddich Champion and winner of the Bratach Gorm at London), Willie McCallum (second-prize at Northern Meeting Silver Star MSR), Angus MacColl (numerous prizes at qualifying events), Dr. Angus MacDonald (Argyllshire Gathering Senior Piobaireachd), Roddy MacLeod (numerous prizes at qualifying events), Iain Speirs, (third in the

Senior Piobaireachd at the Argyllshire Gathering). Piobaireachd will be judged by Jack Taylor, John Wilson and Andrew Wright, and the MSR by Colin MacLellan, Malcolm McRae and Bob Worrall.

- > Willie McCallum has given up his "day job" as an accountant to devote himself full time to piping, including continuing his competitive career.

## CONTEST RESULTS

### Royal Braemar Highland Gathering - 4

#### September 4

##### Overall

Gordon Walker

##### Piobaireachd

1st Marion Horsburgh

2nd Gordon Walker

3rd Brendan Eade

4th Andrew Carlisle

5th Matt Pantaleoni

6th John-Angus Smith

Judges: Norman Mathieson, Malcolm McRae, Tom Speirs

##### March

1st Gordon Walker

2nd Jori Chisholm

3rd Andrea Boyd

4th Andrew Carlisle

5th John-Angus Smith

6th Matt MacIsaac

Judges: Jimmy Banks, Ian Duncan, Sandy Spence

##### Strathspey & Reel

1st Gordon Walker

2nd Jori Chisholm

3rd Andrea Boyd

4th Andrew Carlisle

5th Matt MacIsaac

6th William Nichols

Judges: Jimmy Banks, Ian Duncan, Sandy Spence

### Springbank Invitational Solo Piping

#### Competition - Campbeltown 18 September

##### Overall

Gordon Walker

##### Piobaireachd (Argyll Arms Trophy & Quaich)

1st Gordon Walker, *Scarce of Fishing*

2nd Roddy MacLeod, *Battle of Aulderm No. 2*

3rd Iain Speirs, *MacDougalls' Gathering*

4th Angus MacColl, *The End of the Great Bridge*

##### MSR (Serco Trophy and Muir Quaich)

1st Willie McCallum, *Capt. Campbell of Drum A Voisk, Inveran, Lady MacKenzie of Gairloch, MacBeth's Strathspey, "The Grey Bob, John McKechnie's Big Reel*

2nd Angus MacColl, *MacLean of Pennycross, The Argyllshire Gathering, Maggie Cameron, John Roy Stewart, Sound of Sleat, Mrs. MacPherson of Inveran*

3rd Stuart Liddell, *The Clan MacColl, The Pap of Glencoe, John Roy Stewart, Shepherd's Crook, "The Smith of Chilliechassie, The Little Cascade*

4th Niall Stewart, *Arthur Bignold of Lochrosque, Kantara to El Arish, Ewe wi' the Crookit Horn, Susan MacLeod, Kildonan, Ca' the Ewes*

##### Hornpipe & Jig (Committee Members Trophy and Sgian Dubh)

1st Willie McCallum, *Donald MacLeod, Donald MacLennan's Tuning Phrase*

2nd Gordon Walker, *Dora Watt, John Paterson's Mare*

3rd Stuart Liddell, *P-M George S. Allan, The Blue Lagoon*

4th James Murray, *Crossing the Minch, The Rakes of Kildare*

**Queensland Highland Pipers' Society Inc.  
Annual Meeting Agenda – 25/10/2010**

1. Apologies
2. Confirmation of Minutes of previous Annual Meeting (circulated in the September 2009 Newsletter)
3. President's Report
4. Statement of Accounts
5. Election of Management Committee

President

Secretary

Treasurer

Other Members

Patron

Vice-Presidents

(Note there is no restriction on the number of additional people we may elect to the Management Committee or their titles. I have included these titles because they are our traditional ones)

6. Subscription for year (currently \$30) and date payable.
7. Affiliation with APBA (Qld) and APBA Delegates
8. Other Business from the Committee
9. Other Business from Members

**Queensland Highland Pipers' Society Inc  
NOMINATION FORM**

Position

President

Secretary

Treasurer

Management Committee >>

Patron

Vice President

Other

Nominee

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator 1

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator 2

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Date

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