



**September Meeting
Monday 26th
Balmoral Bowls Club,
Jean Howie Drive,
Morningside
at 7.45 pm**

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The meeting will feature some more first round matches in our knockout competition plus some matches from the final rounds. It should be a varied evening with plenty of piping.

From the Editor:

At our Annual Meeting last month Doug Thoresen indicated that he was unable to take on the job of President again, due mainly to health concerns. He was warmly thanked for his sterling efforts as President over the last five years. Reg O'Malley has agreed to take on the position for 2005/6.

The reports and minutes of the annual meeting that would normally have been published this month have been held over to next month because of space considerations – partly caused by the results from the final burst of the competition season in Scotland being reported in this edition.

In the last month we also saw the passing of our oldest member, Rosie McLelland, and a tribute to her is included in this newsletter.

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AUGUST 2005 MEETING

Our August meeting attracted about 30 members. As this was the Annual Meeting, this was quite encouraging.

The minutes and reports for the Annual Meeting will be published in the October newsletter.

When the Annual Meeting was over, we moved to the continuing Knockout contest. Only one player had turned up this month for this contest, Donald Galloway, so he was declared the winner of his "match". Of course he had to play for it and he did that well. On a firm resonant pipe he gave us the following selection with musical playing and crisp execution: *The Shoreline of Lewis, Lord Lovat's Lament, Rose of Allendale, Wings, The Rowan Tree, Skye Boat Song, Mrs Ishabel T MacDonald, 10th HLI Crossing the Rhine* and *Glasgow Police Pipers*.

Iain Bruce was next "persuaded" to have a tune. On his usual excellent pipe (apart from a bit of a

High G problem at the beginning), he played the 3/4s *Lewis Turrell's 3/4* and *Magersfontein*, a 6/8 of unknown title, the 6/8 *Murdo MacKenzie of Torridon*, the air *The Crookit Bawbee* and the jigs *The Foxhunter, Welcome the Piper* and *Drops of Brandy*. He finished with the piobaireachd *The Cave of Gold*. This tune is only published in Thomason's Ceol Mor (c. 1900).

Roy Gunn was our final piper for the night. His ultimate aim was to play the piobaireachd *Corinessan's Salute*, which he did. On the way he gave us quite a few wee (and not so wee) tunes to start on his usual robust pipe. The instrument was going very well.

By now the tie for supper was drawing on so the raffle was drawn with Bill Sharpe winning the first draw for the bottle of whisky and Roy Gunn winning a set of solar garden lights kindly donated by Vic McKay.

Knockout Contest

This month sees the final set of first round "matches" in our Knockout Contest, which will conclude with the November meeting. The test piece is a Medley selection of 3-5 minutes.

The "first round" is being played over the June, July and August and Sept meetings, with several "matches" each meeting. In September and October, we will have the quarter finals and in November we will have the Semi-Finals and Final.

Sponsorship has been arranged for the prizemoney from the Wynnum Services Club. 16 entrants are needed and we still have some vacancies which we need to fill urgently. Prizes will be: Winner \$200, losing finalist \$100, and losing semi-finalists \$50 each.

Ring the Secretary on 07 3397 4512 or email on qhps@optushome.com.au if you would like to enter.

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Please contact Charles Elliott , Pipe Major, at 0419 852 565.

What's On

Most of this information is also on the APBA Qld website. Go to www.pipebandsqld.org and click on "Coming Events". There are links to web pages for events, email contacts, etc

S E P	23-25	Duckadang Retreat – Lockyer Valley Celtic Pipe Band – 07 3287 4698
	24	NSW Pipers Society Piobaireachd Silver Chalice Contest
	26	Society Meeting
O C T	2	Society Piobaireachd Group – Rochedale High School – 10am to 1pm
	8	Ormiston House "Music Beneath the Stars" Bookings Essential. 07 3286 1425, 07 3821 2732, 07 3821 0057
	14	Recital by P/M Gordon Walker - Morningside Services Club, 481 Wynnum Road, Morningside - Contact 0434 398 456
	15,16	Redlands Highland Gathering - South Queensland Championships Band and Solo Contest - Redland Scottish & Celtic Society. Contact Alex McConnell 07 3257 4527
	16	Dapto Band Contest NSW
	22	Inverell Sapphire City Festival Pipe Bands Parade and Assessment Day
	22	Morayfield Kilties Ceilidh - Narangba Hall, Mackie Road, Narangba. - \$5 - "Scotch on the Rocks", Dancers, Massed Bands. Enquiries 07 5498 5489
	23	Silver Tassie Solo Piping Contest – Sutton Forest (NSW) Contact 02 4868 3492
	24	Society Meeting – Celtic Celebration Committee Qld Piping Selection Contest
	30	Celtic Celebration Committee Bowls Day - fundraiser for sending Australian Pipers to Lorient in 2006 – see advertisement elsewhere in this newsletter
N O V	30	Combined Scottish Societies of NSW Band Contest - Castle Hill, NSW – Contact 02 9580 3593, 02 9871 3593 - NSW State Pipe Band Championships
	12	Qld Irish Association Pipe Band 80th Anniversary Celebration - Irish Club, Brisbane. Contact Pipe Major Rod Smith (0410 407 550)
	13	Society Piobaireachd Group – Rochedale High School – 10am to 1pm
	20	Ormiston House Thanksgiving Day - Contact 07 3286 1425, 07 3821 2732
2 0 0 6	27	Feb First Society Meeting for 2006
	5	Australian Pipe Band Championships - - Ringwood, Victoria. Details here: http://www.pipebandsqld.org/event.htm#Champ2006
	10-12	New Zealand Pipe Band Championships: - Hamilton – Details here http://www.nzpipebands.org.nz/contests.htm
	2	April Tartan Day Toowoomba
	14, 15	Maclean Highland Gathering - (Good Friday and Easter Saturday)
	April	

The Smallpipers Group meets on the first Tuesday of each month.. Contact Malcolm McLaren - mrmclaren@bigpond.com

The NSW Pipers' Society meets on the 1st Tuesday of each month at 6 Holterman Street, Crows Nest. Contact Ron Clement – 02 9948 1914.

The NSW Solo Pipers Club meets on the 4th Tuesday of each month at the Blacktown Pipe Band Hall, Blacktown Showground, Richmond Road, Blacktown. Contact 0412 602 983 or at www.blacktownpipeband.com. Each meeting is a competition based on age rather than grade

The WA Pipers' Society meets on the 3rd Saturday at the Autumn Centre, Inglewood. Contact John McMurchie – 08 9401 9587

Scottish Radio Programs	4EB - FM 98.1 – Thursday afternoons 2.15—4.30 pm 2RDJ - FM 88.1 - Tuesday morning 9 am - 10 am
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For more details about any of the above events where a contact is not mentioned, ring the Society Secretary (07 3397 4512) and we will see what we can dig up for you.

*If we don't know about your event (social, musical, fundraising or whatever) we can't publicise it in the Newsletter. So **tell us** and get **free publicity**.*

Piobaireachd Meetings

Our September meeting again attracted a good attendance. Iain Bruce introduced the day and mentioned the recent death of Rosie McLelland who was known to many present as a identity in the Brisbane Dancing and Piping scene. He related her descent from the great John McColl – her father, Archie McColl was John McColl's nephew and a medallist in his own right before migrating to Australia in 1913. Iain said that his own very first piping lessons were from Alistair McColl, Rosie's brother. Matthew Supranowicz played the ground of *The Lament for the Little Supper* as a lament for Rosie.

Our first Piper for the day was Max Yeo, who played *Lament for Alisdair Dearg MacDonnell of Glengarry*. Roy read the rather brief story of this tune from his book (not much is known but the title).

Next Ian Davidson played *The Old Woman's Lullaby* for us – he had obviously been working on the tune and made his way through it quite well.

Matthew Supranowicz played next: *The Mackay's Short Tune*, after Bernie Yeo read the story. He had a very firm sounding pipe.

Morning tea was then taken before we launched into our “set tune” for the month.

Before we resumed, Roy Gunn mentioned that, if people need to learn the basics about playing Piobaireachd (eg how to play a Crunluath) , they should speak up and we will arrange the necessary tuition.

The set tune was *Chisholm's Salute*. After a bit of discussion Roy led us in singing through the tune. Iain Bruce then played the tune. He played a slightly different version to the one we had just sung, which was from the Kilberry Book. Iain's version is the one from Angus MacKay's book. It has no Thumb Doubling and uses Ds rather than Bs as link notes

Ainsley Hart from Sydney (Pipe Sergeant of City of Blacktown) had come to the meeting. He had just returned from Scotland where he competed in solos and also with the Tyne & Wear Fire & Rescue Pipe Band in the World Championships. He was prevailed upon to give a talk about his experiences at the various games, which proved most interesting. Ainsley has been getting Piobaireachd tuition for Malcolm McRae.

He then played two tunes for us: first *MacLeod's Controversy* and then *The Groat*.

To finish off the day Roy Gunn played *Macleod of Raasay's Salute*, having first read the story from the book.

The next meeting will be on Sunday 2 October

We have a special list of people interested in these meetings so that we can easily reach them to tell of any changes in plans for the meetings, etc. if you would like to be on this list please tell the secretary (07 3397 4512 or qhps@optushome.com.au). Each newsletter will also carry a “Piobaireachd page” like this one to keep everyone in the Society in touch .

Wanted: Open Reel Tape Recorder

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Success and Surprise In Scotland

Highland Dancer, Craig Johnston (20) of Alderley, Brisbane travelled to Scotland in August to compete in the World Championships at the famous Cowal Highland Gathering in Dunoon, Argyllshire. Craig, who is the reigning Australasian Champion and who also holds the prestigious Australian Champion of Champions title, competed against dancers from all over the world in the qualifying heats for the Adult World Championship. Successful qualification led to an exciting final at the end of which Craig was proud and excited to finish in 3rd place – the best result by an Australian dancer in World Championship competition since 1970.

The win was made all the more special since as a surprise for Craig his parents, Margaret and Paul, had travelled secretly from Australia to join him in Scotland and to be in the grandstand to support him during the competition. Needless to say Margaret and Paul were thrilled to be able to celebrate his success with him.

Craig, who is in the 3rd year of a law degree at QUT, studies dance at the Thistle Highland Dancing Studio (Brisbane) under the direction of Mrs Margaret Paterson. He is also coached in Australia and in Scotland by Marion Clow (Edinburgh). Both ladies are delighted that the hard work that Craig puts into his dancing has gained him recognition both in Australia and internationally.

CONTEST RESULTS

MacCrimmon Trophy, Lorient, Brittany,

7 August

Overall

- 1st Alexis Meunier, Brittany
- 2nd Robert Watt, Belfast
- 3rd Martin Frewen, New Zealand
- 4th James MacHattie, Toronto
- 5th Gordon Campbell, Edinburgh
- 6th Sylvain Hamon, Plougastell, Brittany / Charles Noin, Ireland
- 8th Casey Wilkes NZ and Matthew Supranowicz Aus/QLD.

Alexis Meunier also receives an invitation to compete in the G.S. McLennan Memorial competition in San Diego in October.

MSR

- 1st Alexis Meunier
- 2nd Sylvain Hamon
- 3rd James MacHattie
- 4th Gordon Campbell
- 5th Martin Frewen

Judges : John Wilson, Bob Worrall

Breton Music

- 1st Robert Watt
- 2nd Alexis Meunier
- 3rd Gwenael Le Corronc
- 4th Martin Frewen / Charles Noin
- Judges: Ronan Latry, Armel Denis

Irish Music

- 1st Robert Watt
- 2nd James MacHattie
- 3rd Martin Frewen
- 4th Alexis Meunier / Gordon Campbell
- Judges: Colin Moffett, Micheal O'Eidhin

Piobaireachd , 8 August

- 1st James MacHattie
- 2nd Xavier Bod
- 3rd Casey Wilkes
- 4th Martin Frewen

Second annual international invitational solo piping competition - National Piping Centre Glasgow – 14 August

Overall

Murray Henderson

Piobaireachd

- 1st Angus MacColl
- 2nd Murray Henderson
- 3rd Iain Speirs
- 4th Bruce Gandy

Judges: Iain MacFadyen, Angus J. MacLellan

MSR

- 1st Iain Speirs
- 2nd Murray Henderson
- 3rd Bruce Gandy
- 4th Angus MacColl

Judges: Gavin Stoddart, John Wilson

Other competitors: Jori Chisolm, Alistair Dunn, Donald MacPhee, Andy Rogers, Gordon Walker

Crieff Highland Games – 21 August

Piobaireachd

- 1st Colin MacLellan, *The Groat*
 - 2nd Jori Chisholm, *Clanranald's Salute*
 - 3rd Margaret Houlihan, *MacKay's Short Tune*
 - 4th Bruce Gandy, *Lament for the Union*
 - 5th Douglas Murray, *Kinlochmoidart's Lament #2*
- Judges: Ian Duncan, John MacDougall

MSR

- 1st Andrea Boyd
 - 2nd Gordon MacLean
 - 3rd Margaret Houlihan
 - 4th Douglas Murray
 - 5th Bruce Gandy
- Judges: David Hutton, Gordon Clark

Argyllshire Gathering Oban, Scotland – 24, 25 August

Gold Medal

- 1st Euan MacCrimmon, *MacLeod of MacLeod's Lament*
 - 2nd Simon McKerrell, *MacLeod of MacLeod's Lament*
 - 3rd Greg Wilson, *Lament for MacDonald of Kinlochmoidart, No. 2*
 - 4th Richard Hawke, *MacLeod of MacLeod's Lament*
 - 5th James MacHattie, *Lament for MacDonald of Kinlochmoidart, No. 2*
- Judges: Tom Speirs, John Wilson, Malcolm

McRae

A very international result, with New Zealanders at 4th and 5th and a Canadian at 6th

Senior Piobaireachd (must have won the Gold Medal at Oban or Inverness)

- 1st Angus MacColl, *Nameless (cherede darievea)*
 - 2nd Murray Henderson, *The Earl of Ross's March*
 - 3rd P-M Gordon Walker, *Beinn a' Ghriain*
 - 4th Iain Speirs, *Nameless (cherede darievea)*
- Judges: Jim McGillivray, John MacDougall, Angus J. MacLellan

Silver Medal

- 1st William Geddes
 - 2nd Finlay Johnstone
 - 3rd Andrew Douglas
 - 4th Ross McCrindle
 - 5th Donald MacKay
- Judges: Hugh MacCallum, Jack Taylor, Neil Mulvie

MacGregor Memorial

- 1st Gavin Stewart
- 2nd Alex Gandy
- 3rd Eric Ouelette
- 4th Fraser Whyllie

Former Winners MSR

- 1st P-M Gordon Walker
 - 2nd Colin Clansey
 - 3rd Roddy MacLeod
 - 4th Angus MacColl
- Judges: Bob Worrall, Iain MacFadyen, Jimmy Banks

A Grade March

- 1st Niall Stewart
- 2nd Jack Lee
- 3rd Margaret Houlihan
- 4th Alastair Dunn
- 5th James MacHattie

A Grade Strathspey & Reel

- 1st Neil Smith
- 2nd Alexis Meunier
- 3rd Alastair Dunn
- 4th Jori Chisholm, Seattle

Jig

- 1st Angus MacColl
- 2nd Jenny Hazzard
- 3rd Gordon MacLean
- 4th Andrea Boyd

B Grade March

- 1st Roddy Weir
- 2nd Gareth Rudolph
- 3rd Alan Johnston

4th Fiona MacKay
 5th Andrew Carlisle
 Judges: Neil Mulvie, Jim McGillivray

B Grade S&R

1st Andrew Carlisle
 2nd Callum Beaumont
 3rd Andrea Boyd
 4th Fiona Manson
 5th Bernard Bouhadana
 Judges: John Wilson, Jimmy Banks, Roger Huth

Queensland Pipe Band Championships and Solo Contest – Ipswich – 27 August

BANDS

Grade 1

1st Qld Highlanders No 1

Grade 2

1st St Andrews

Grade 3

1st Qld Irish Association No 1
 2nd Ipswich Thistle
 Drumming: Qld Irish Association No 1

Grade 4

1st Qld Police Juvenile
 2nd Scotch College Melbourne
 3rd Clan Stuart
 4th Gold Coast Tweed
 5th Brisbane Clans Pipes & Drums
 Drumming: Scotch College Melbourne

SOLOS

Learner Chanter

1st Fiona Stagg
 2nd Brett Canning
 3rd Connor MacDonald
 4th Matthew Gersbach

Elementary March

1st James Nelson
 2nd Benjamin Wheadon
 3rd Sharleen McNamara
 4th Nick Barber
 5th Myles Chen

Elementary Air

1st Myles Chen
 2nd Jacqui Sheehan
 3rd Angus Wheeler
 4th Benjamin Wheadon
 5th Andrew Neeland

Sub-Intermediate MSR

1st Vaughn Parker

2nd Max Yeo
 3rd Edward Whittle
 4th Christopher McLeish
 5th Lachlan Durham
 6th Katrina Stead

Sub-Intermediate Jig

1st Vaughn Parker
 2nd Christopher McLeish
 3rd Edward Whittle
 4th Jayne Shelley
 5th Max Yeo
 6th Lachlan Durham

Intermediate MSR

1st Hazel Osborne
 2nd Matt McLeod
 3rd Jordan Whicker

Intermediate Hornpipe & Jig

1st Jordan Whicker
 2nd Matt McLeod
 3rd Hazel Osborne
 4th Tom Corcoran

Open MSR

1st Ross Campbell
 2nd Sandy Dalziel
 3rd Fraser Bolton

Open Hornpipe & Jig

1st Ross Campbell
 2nd Fraser Bolton
 3rd Sandy Dalziel

Restricted Piobaireachd

1st Jordan Whicker
 2nd Vaughn Parker
 3rd Max Yeo
 4th Angus Wheeler

Roddy MacSween Memorial

1st Matt McLeod
 2nd Natasha Downs
 3rd Fraser Bolton
 4th Christopher McLeish

Open Piobaireachd

1st Ross Campbell
 2nd Sandy Dalziel
 3rd Fraser Bolton
 4th Jordan Whicker
 5th Max Yeo

Birnam Highland Games – 27 August

Piobaireachd

1st Matt Panteleoni, *Lament for Donald Doughal MacKay*
 2nd Colin MacLellan, *Cille Chrìosd*

3rd Marion Horsburgh, *Gathering of the MacNabs*
 4th Matthew Turnbull
 5th Jori Chisholm
 Judges: Tom Speirs, Gordon Clark
 Matt Panteleoni is from St Louis, Missouri

March

1st Allan Russell
 2nd Marion Horsburgh
 3rd Matthew Turnbull
 4th Jenny Hazzard
 5th John Stewart
 Judges: Ronald Clark, Sandy Spence

Strathspey & Reel

1st Jori Chisholm
 2nd Matt Turnbull
 3rd Allan Russell
 4th Iain MacDonald
 5th Jenny Hazzard
 Judges: Ronald Clark, Sandy Spence

Jigs

1st Matt Panteleoni
 2nd Allan Russell
 3rd Colin MacLellan
 4th Jenny Hazzard
 5th Jori Chisholm
 Judges: Ronald Clark, Sandy Spence

Cowal Championships - Dunoon, Scotland – 27 August

BANDS

Grade 1

1st House of Edgar-Shotts & Dykehead
 2nd Field-Marshal Montgomery
 3rd Boghall & Bathgate
 4th Strathclyde Police
 5th ScottishPower
 6th Clan Gregor
 Drumming: Strathclyde Police; Bass section:
 Strathclyde Police

House of Edagr Shotts & Dykehead are also the Grade 1 Champion of Champions for 2005

Grade 2

1st Drambuie-Kirkliston
 2nd 52nd Lowland Regiment
 3rd Bucksburn
 4th Torphichen & Bathgate
 5th Buchan
 6th Tayside Police
 Drumming: Cullybackey

Drambuie-Kirkliston are also the Grade 2 Champion of Champions for 2005

Solo Piping

A Grade Piobaireachd

1st Callum Beaumont
 2nd Donald MacPhee
 3rd Andy Rogers
 4th Douglas Murray
 5th Andrew Hayes
 6th Chris Armstrong
 Judges: Tom Speirs, Malcolm McRae

A Grade March

1st Chris Armstrong
 2nd Douglas Murray
 3rd Donald MacPhee
 4th Andy Rogers
 4th Andrew Hayes
 5th Jori Chisholm
 Judges: Rob Worrall, Bob Wallace

A Grade S&R

1st Chris Armstrong
 2nd Donald MacPhee
 3rd Jori Chisholm
 4th Gordon McReady
 5th Andy Rogers
 6th Douglas Murray

B Grade Piobaireachd

1st Andrea Boyd
 2nd Andrew Carlisle
 3rd William Geddes

B Grade March

1st Bernard Bouhadana
 2nd William Geddes
 3rd Alen Tully

B Grade S&R

1st Allan MacDonald
 2nd William Geddes
 3rd Douglas Campbell

Royal Braemar Highland Gathering - 3 September

Open Piobaireachd

1st Richard Hawke, *Lament for MacDonald of Kinlochmoidart, No. 2*
 2nd Nail Mathieson
 3rd Greg Wilson
 4th Neil Smith
 5th James Murray
 6th Innes Smith
 Judges: Norman Mathieson, Jack Taylor, Malcolm McRae

March

- 1st Naill Mathieson
 2nd Richard Hawke
 3rd James Murray
 4th Donald MacPhee
 5th Brian Donaldson
 6th Greg Wilson
 Judges: Ian Duncan, Sandy Spence, John Stewart

Strathspey & Reel

- 1st Naill Mathieson
 2nd Richard Hawke
 3rd James Murray
 4th Brian Donaldson
 5th Greg Wilson
 6th John Angus Smith
 Judges: Ian Duncan, Sandy Spence, John Stewart

Blairgowrie Highland Games - 4 September**Open Piobaireachd**

- 1st Robert Wallace
 2nd Gregor Speirs
 3rd Innes Smith
 4th Fiona Manson
 Judge: Walter Drysdale

CPA Piobaireachd (for B- and C-Grade pipers)

- 1st Matt Panteleoni
 2nd Douglas Campbell
 3rd Fiona MacKay
 4th Roddy Weir
 5th Gareth Rudolph
 Judges: Tom Speirs, Malcolm McRae

March

- 1st Rory Grossart
 2nd Alan Russell
 3rd Ian K. MacDonald
 4th Jenny Hazzard
 Judges: Sandy Spence, John MacDougall

Strathspey & Reel

- 1st Ian K. MacDonald
 2nd Andrea Boyd
 3rd Callum Beaumont
 4th Alan Russell
 Judges: Sandy Spence, John MacDougall

Junior MSR

- 1st Jordan Drysdale
 2nd Glenn Ross
 3rd George Stewart
 Judge: Anne Spalding

Northern Meeting - Aviemore, Scotland – 7,8 September**Highland Society of London Gold Medal**

- 1st Donald MacPhee, *Lament for Captain MacDougall*
 2nd James Murray
 3rd P-M Michael Grey, MBE
 4th Glenn Brown
 5th Ian K. MacDonald
 Judges: Hugh MacCallum, Jack Taylor, George Lumsden

Clasp

- 1st Greg Wilson *Nameless - cherede darievea*
 2nd Willie McCallum, *Earl of Ross's March*
 3rd Jack Lee, *Earl of Ross's March*
 4th Roddy MacLeod, *Nameless - cherede darievea*
 Judges: Angus MacLellan, Andrew Wright, Iain MacFadyen

Silver Medal

- 1st Gavin Walker
 2nd Ross McCrindle
 3rd Callum Beaumont
 4th Andrew Douglas
 5th James Beaumont
 Judges: Malcolm McRae, Iain Morrison, John Wilson

Silver Star (Former Winners MSR)

- 1st Angus MacColl
 2nd Chris Armstrong
 3rd Jack Lee
 4th Willie McCallum
 Judges: Ronald Lawrie, John MacDougall, Iain MacLellan

A Grade MSR

- 1st Peter Hunt
 2nd Glenn Brown
 3rd Simon McKerrell
 4th Iain Speirs
 Judge: Iain MacFadyen, Andrew Wright, Angus J. MacLellan

B Grade March

- 1st Callum Beaumont
 2nd William Geddes
 3rd Bernard Bouhadana
 4th Gregor Speirs
 Judges: Ronald Lawrie, Iain MacLellan, Walter Cowan

B-Grade Strathspey & Reel

- 1st Finlay Johnstone
 2nd Gordon MacLean

3rd Andrew Carlisle
4th William Geddes
Judges: John MacDougall, Malcolm McRae, Jack Taylor

Hornpipe & Jig

1st Angus MacColl
2nd Ross McCrindle
3rd Jenny Hazzard
4th Niall Stewart
Judges: Ian Duncan, George Lumsden, John Wilson

Under-15 March

1st Faye Henderson
2nd Glenn Ross
3rd Billy Stewart

4th Seonaidh MacIntyre
Judges: Bruce Hitchings, James Burnet

Under-18 MSR

1st Fraser Maitland
2nd Karen MacLean
3rd George Stewart
4th Calum MacColl
Judges: Hugh MacCallum, Alan Forbes

Under-18 Piobaireachd

1st George Stewart
2nd Andrew Travers
3rd James MacKenzie
4th Fraser Maitland
Judges: Bruce Hitchings, James Burnet

ROSIE MCLELLAND (B.E.M.) (22/09/1907 - 01/09/2005)

As many will know, our "oldest" member (in terms of age), Rosie McLelland, passed away early this month. There was a good attendance at her funeral and Alistair McInnes played the pipes. He used Archie (Rosie's father) McColl's pipes which Rosie gave him several years ago and played one of Archie's tunes, Betty MacPherson. As the coffin was taken away he played Sleep, Dearie, Sleep.

Many members will remember Rosie's attendances at our meetings, which Les Gray always made sure she got to safely by driving her to and from. She was always an interested and knowledgeable listener to the piping and an active participant in the life of the Society. Some may remember our celebration of her 90th birthday at our September meeting in 1997. The report of the meeting records that: *"Our September meeting, organised as a 90th birthday tribute for Rosie McLelland, attracted a good crowd of around 45 members and others. We started a little later than usual as Les Gray, who drives Rosie to our meetings, had been arranged to delay their arrival till 8.15 so we could have everyone organised. Accordingly, Rosie arrived, to be greeted by "Happy Birthday" played on the pipes by Lea Ahokava and Phillip Cowan and presented with flowers. After she was escorted to her table of honour, Bob Payne began the meeting proper."*

And at the end of the meeting: *"The stage crew had been busy preparing the birthday cake and this was now carried in with candles ablaze (only one for each decade, though!). Rosie duly obliged by blowing them all out with one breath. Doug Thoresen then spoke of Rosie's long involvement with dancing and piping in Brisbane and said how honoured we all were to be able to have this celebration with her. Rosie responded and thanked everyone for their good wishes."*

The following is an edited version of the tribute paid to her at the funeral by her grandson:

Rosie was born Louisa Rose MacColl in Edinburgh, the second youngest daughter of Archie and Liza MacColl.

Archie answered a call from Mackay to tutor the pipe band there and so the family set out for Australia in 1913. Archie was descended from a famous piping family – his uncle was John MacColl, a gold medallist at Oban and Archie himself was a champion piper and composer winning the coveted MacCrimmon Shield in Scotland in 1912. Some of the tunes he wrote are still being played today. The family then moved on to Bundaberg where Archie was Pipe Major of the Bundaberg Pipe Band. During

WWI, both Archie and his eldest son, Johnnie, served in the 42nd Battalion in France. The family then moved to Ipswich and eventually to Brisbane.

All of Rosie's siblings with the exception of Dot, the youngest, were involved in piping and dancing, keeping their Scottish heritage well and truly alive. Rosie and her sister, Jessie, were excellent dancers winning many championship medals in their time. They both went on to teach highland dancing and many a dancer learnt their first steps in the old Caledonian Hall in Elizabeth Street and later at the church hall at Petrie Terrace. She lost 2 sisters and a brother in car accidents and another brother died during the depression.

Rosie met Johnnie McLelland when he came to learn the pipes from her father. They were married in April 1936 at the Ann Street Presbyterian Church. Johnnie also was a champion piper who was born in Glasgow, his family emigrating to Australia when he was very young. After they were married they lived at Milton behind the XXXX brewery where Johnnie worked and where they brought up their 4 daughters, all of whom were very accomplished Highland dancers.

Rosie, Johnnie and the girls travelled around the countryside to gatherings at Warwick, Stanthorpe, Tenterfield, Wooroolin and Maclean. Warwick was always held on Boxing Day and Johnnie, Rosie and the 4 girls together with their good friend George Fraser would travel to Warwick on Christmas Day in George's old Ford having Xmas dinner at Aratula Creek where they usually met up with other friends who were also going to the gathering, and then on to Cunningham's Gap for afternoon tea and then on to Warwick for the gathering the next day. It was an all day trip.

Maclean was always their favourite gathering and Johnnie, Rosie and her sister Jessie were well known at the Maclean gatherings for many, many years, had many friends there and were thought of very highly.

Rosie's world revolved around Highland Gatherings and her love for piping and dancing. She was a well known figure in dancing circles and a life member of the Caledonian Society & Burns Club where she spent many a New Year kicking up her heels until she was about 90 years of age. She was constantly involved with the Queensland Highland Dancing Association, the Maclean Caledonian Society, the Highland Society, The Scottish Ladies and the Caledonian Highland Dancing Committee. In 1978 she, along with her sister Jessie, were awarded the British Empire Medal for their services to Highland Dancing in Queensland.

Her husband John died in 1967 but she carried on largely helped by her remaining family and her involvement in Highland Dancing and everything Scottish! Until about 3 years ago she religiously went to town on the bus every day of her life. Rosie was quite famous for her pikelets and apple pies which she always made for her family and friends.

She made 3 trips back to Scotland and thoroughly enjoyed each one. She met her cousins from Lochaline and this was a great thrill for her - being able to see where her mother was born and hearing some of the family history first hand.

The MacColl family descendants in Australia must number well over 150 now.

Rosie never had wealth in her life but she had remarkably good health and lived life to the fullest. She had a great sense of humour, often told a good joke and recited many humorous poems.

HOW TO GET TO THE BALMORAL BOWLS CLUB

For those who like to work out their own directions the UBD Reference is Map 160, Q12.

From the Gateway Arterial—turn north at the Lytton Road intersection (just south of the bridge), travel along Route 24 and the Route 23 (Wynnum Road) till you see the Morningside RSL on your left. Turn in as if going to the RSL but go right through their carpark and continue along Jean Howie Drive for about 350 metres. Turn left into the Bowls Club car park.

From the City—go across the Story Bridge, left into Shafston Avenue, then into Lytton Road and Wynnum Road (Route 23). Go along Wynnum Road until you see the Morningside RSL on your right. Turn in as if going to the RSL but go right through their carpark and continue along Jean Howie Drive for about 350 metres. Turn left into the Bowls Club car park.

From the west (old Cleveland Road—Turn into Bennetts Road. Continue along Bennetts Road, across the railway line and a park will appear on your right. Jean Howie Drive goes through the park (the entrance to the drive is near the boundary of the Bulimba Cemetery). Go about 350 metres along the Drive and turn right into the Bowls Club car park.

Contributions. We always welcome contributions to the newsletter – post or email your article to the Secretary or ring to discuss what you want to put in and we will be glad to help.

Pipers Needed We often get calls for solo pipers for weddings funerals, parties, etc. If you would like to be on the list we refer these people to, please give us your name, contact details (preferably phone or mobile), the times you are available and, if you wish, the fee you usually charge. We will put you directly in touch with the person who wants to hire the piper and you work out final details with them. People available for New Years Eve or Anzac Day are particularly needed.

CELTIC CELEBRATION COMMITTEE (QLD)

"You Are Invited"

Please come and join us to help raise funds to send our Australian pipers to Lorient in France in 2006.

We have organised a day of fun for all.

Place: **BALMORAL BOWLS CLUB**

Date: **Sunday, 30th OCTOBER 2005**

ACTIVITIES

AM:

BOWLS - Optional Mixed Fours (Mufti) (Single names taken)
Novices welcome - Form a group for fun!

Morning Cuppa 8.00 to 8.45 am * * * BOWLS 9.00 am to 12 Noon

FUND RAISING FEES: \$10

(includes Bowls, cuppa & eats pre game and lunch after game)

All Prizes Out of Hat Plus One Mystery Prize

PM:

CEILIDH 1.00 pm to 4.00 pm

Entry: \$10 (includes afternoon tea)

This promises to be a lively and entertaining afternoon of fun

BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL FOR CATERING

CONTACT: BALMORAL BOWLS CLUB Inc. Phone: 3395 6033

Afternoon entertainment includes:

Pipers - Tomintoul Dance Band - Balmoral Highland Dancers - Singing - Dancing

For more information contact Jane Hancox 3396 9091

CELTIC CELEBRATION COMMITTEE

wishes to announce that the

Queensland Selection Competition

for Open standard pipers

(to select Queensland's representatives for the
2006 Australasian Piping Final)

will be held at the

Balmoral Bowls Club

Jean Howie Drive, Morningside, Brisbane

on

Monday, 24th October 2005

in conjunction with the October meeting
of the Queensland Highland Pipers' Society
which will start at 7.15 pm

The competition consists of two elements:

a March, Strathspey and Reel, and

a Hornpipe and Jig

all minimum 4 parts each

For entry information contact Jeff Goward on 3396 0820

or email kathandjeff@bigpond.com.au

Entries close on 26^h September 2005

2006 is the 'Year of Australia' in Lorient