



# Queensland Highland Pipers' Society

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## Newsletter - October 2011

### October Meeting

on Monday October 24

7.30pm  
Balmoral Bowls Club

Jean Howie Drive, Morningside

#### *Pair of Pipers Competition*

Junior and Senior divisions.

Junior Contest test piece: 3-5 minutes of music including  
at least 4 parts of 2/4 or 6/8 March time (rest own choice)

Senior contest test piece: 5-7 minutes of music (own choice)

To be eligible for the Junior Contest, both players must be graded Sub-Intermediate or below. If either or both players are Intermediate or above they will play in the senior division.

The Junior Contest is planned to start at 7.30pm. so please arrive in time  
to be ready to play.

Enter by Phone (07 3397 4512), email (qhps@qhps.org), before 7.15pm  
on the night (junior) or 7.45pm (senior), No entry fee

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

Junior 1st \$80, 2nd \$40, 3rd \$30

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In this newsletter are the minutes of our annual meeting and the financial accounts for last year. Donald Galloway has accepted the office of President and the committee will be meeting soon to plan out next year's program.

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*Alex McConnell*

# 2011 SOCIETY CALENDAR

## MONTHLY MEETINGS

FEBRUARY 28 <sup>TH</sup>	PIPERS' NIGHT
MARCH 28 <sup>TH</sup>	HORNPIPE AND JIG (SENIOR) / AIR AND JIG (JUNIOR) CONTEST
APRIL	NO MEETING - CLASH WITH ANZAC DAY
MAY 23 <sup>RD</sup>	PATRON'S TROPHY CONTEST (MSR FOR SENIOR PLAYERS)
JUNE 27 <sup>TH</sup>	PIPERS' NIGHT
JULY 25 <sup>TH</sup>	JIMMY DURHAM MEMORIAL CONTEST (2/4 MARCH FOR JUNIOR PLAYERS)
AUGUST 22 <sup>ND</sup>	PIPERS NIGHT
SEPTEMBER 26 <sup>TH</sup>	ANNUAL MEETING & AIR AND JIG CONTEST
OCTOBER 24 <sup>TH</sup>	PAIR OF PIPERS CONTEST
NOVEMBER 28 <sup>TH</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

6 <sup>th</sup> February	1 <sup>st</sup> May	7 <sup>th</sup> August	6 <sup>th</sup> November
6 <sup>th</sup> March	5 <sup>th</sup> June	11 <sup>th</sup> September	4 <sup>th</sup> December
3 <sup>rd</sup> April	3 <sup>rd</sup> July	2 <sup>nd</sup> October	

## SEPTEMBER MEETING

The meeting was conducted by the newly-elected President, Donald Galloway. Apologies were taken as the same as for the Annual Meeting. Donald welcomed Jack Grant, who we had not expected to see as he expected to be overseas, but unfortunately he had been hospitalised with a bad bout of flu and had been unable to go. Donald assured Jack of our sympathy and hoped he was recovering well.

The judge for the evening was introduced - Tom Campbell. We haven't seen Tom much lately as he has been training for a new trade but he was telling me he is now past the "worst" of that and enjoying his new work life. We had four competitors (seniors only) as follows, in playing order:

Cory Dale - *Leaving Barra and Malcolm MacPherson*

Andy Richards - *Donald Ross of Vancouver and Old Wife of the Mill Dust*

Tom McGirr - *Terry Tully's Air and The Seagull*

Ross Campbell - *Lachie's Lullaby and Alex MacDonald*

While Tom Campbell was making his decision, Maurie DeHayr talked a bit about the Piobaireachd Day to be held on November 6. He now has a considerable number of pipers who have agreed to turn up and it sounds as though it will go quite a long while into the afternoon.

Tom Campbell then made some brief comments, complimenting the pipers on their instruments and good playing, with just a touch of nervousness here and there.

Matt Supranowicz assisted Donald in presenting the prizes, which were:

1st	Tom McGirr
2nd	Ross Campbell
3rd	Cory Dale
4th	Andy Richards

Ross Campbell was then prevailed upon to have a few more tunes which included the 6/8s *PM Sam Scott* and *Duncan MacLean*, the 9/8 Slow Air *Hugh MacNeil* and the jig *Troy's Wedding*.

Andy Richards was next to play with a good solid selection including 2/4s *Donald MacLellan of Rothesay* and *Athol and Breadalbane Gathering*, Air *Sine Bhan*, 6/8 *Donald MacLean of Lewis*, *The Pikeman's March* and *Jig of Slurs*.

To finish off the evening, we heard from Tom McGirr, whose selection included *Links of Forth*, the Fife Constabulary Pipe Band medley, *Kyles of Bute*, 3 Jigs,

a Slow Air and *Sleepy Maggie*. He finished up with the ground and a couple of variations of the Piobaireachd *I Got a Kiss of the King's Hand*.

With the piping over, Donald encouraged all to encourage others to attend Society meetings. The raffle was drawn by Margaret Paterson and won by Tom McGirr before we moved over to the social part of the evening with supper.

## Piobaireachd Group

The October meeting of the group was well attended and all were pleased to hear a report on the forthcoming 'Piobaireachd Recital Day' on our usual meeting day, November 6th.

We have a good response from players and a good list of tunes so there will be no repeats during the day.

So on with the day – Our opening player was Peter Hurwood who had to leave early due to a Band commitment, his chosen tune being *The Glen is Mine*. Peter was followed by Sandy Dalziel who played *The Lament for Mary MacLeod*. Andy Richards was next to play, his tune on this occasion being *Corrienessan's Salute*.

It was now time for the 'tune of the month' and Ross Campbell led the discussion and singing of *Mary's Praise*. After a short break for morning tea Ross played the tune through.

Our next player was Bruce MacLeod, formerly from NZ, who some 45 years ago gave his pipes to his brother (who played with WA Police) Bruce had just recently had them returned him by the family and after some refurbishment he has returned to playing, though on this occasion he played only the air *The Fair Maid of Barra* - piobaireachd next year?

Bruce was followed by Ralph Nankervis playing *Glengarry's Lament*

The final tune for the meeting was *I Got a Kiss of the King's Hand* played by Tam McGirr.

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### **2011 Piobaireachd Recital Day**

Sunday, 6th November - Rochedale State High School

9.45 am – onwards

The QHPS Piobaireachd Group will be holding their Inaugural Recital Day in the Performing Arts Section of the Rochedale State High School, Priestdale Road, Rochedale. commencing at 9.45 a.m.

**19 tunes from 17 players**

admission \$5.00 single ( players included) - \$10.00 family

**BYO cut lunch - Tea & Coffee provided**

Come for one tune or hear them all

# What's on.....

O C T	<b>24 Society Meeting - Pair of Pipers Contest</b>
	29 Gledfiddich Piping Championships, Blair Castle, Perthshire, Scotland
N O V	<b>6 Society Piobaireachd Group - Extended Meeting - see details elsewhere in the newsletter</b>
	6 Combined Scottish Societies of NSW Highland Gathering, Castle Hill, Sydney
	13 NSW State Solos Contest - Scots College, Bellevue Hill. Closing Date 21 October. Contest details can be found at <a href="http://bit.ly/oYnbhe">http://bit.ly/oYnbhe</a>
	<b>28 Society Meeting - Jack McCandlish Trophy (6/8 marches)</b>
	3/12 Daylesford Highland Gathering, Victoria
2 0	15-20 Jan Australian Pipe Band Association Summer School, Melbourne. Details at <a href="http://www.pipebands.asn.au/school.asp">http://www.pipebands.asn.au/school.asp</a>
	1 2 7 Apr Australian Pipe Band Championships - Eureka Stadium, Ballarat, Victoria

**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**

For more details about above events where a contact isn't mentioned, ring or email the Secretary (07 3397 4512 or [qhps@qhps.org](mailto: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 [www.college-of-piping.co.uk/html/radio.htm](http://www.college-of-piping.co.uk/html/radio.htm)

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

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

## **“Raising the Standard”**

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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:** www.rubrown.org.au

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

## CONTEST RESULTS

### Manly Warringah Pipe Band Contest - 18 September

#### **Grade 1**

1st The Pipeband Club

#### **Grade 3**

1st Hawkesbury Nepean Valley No 1  
2nd Pipeband Club Development Band  
3rd Scots College No 1

#### **Grade 4**

1st Sydney Thistle  
2nd Canberra Burns Club No 2  
3rd Scots College No 2  
4th Manly Warringah  
5th Hawkesbury Nepean No 2

#### **Juvenile**

1st Scots College No 1  
2nd Knox Grammar School  
3rd Scots College No 2  
4th Hawkesbury Nepean Valley

#### **Judges**

Piping: N Russell, J McLeish, S Young, C Swan  
Drumming: A Cooper, B Rowlands,  
Ensemble: T McGirr, D Graham

### ACT Pipe Band Championships - Kambah Oval - 8 October

#### **Grade 2**

1st St Andrew's Brisbane  
2nd Canberra Burns Club No 1  
3rd LCC Southern Cross No 1

#### **Grade 4**

1st Canberra Burns Club No 2  
2nd Sydney Thistle  
3rd Queanbeyan Pipes & Drums  
4th Canberra Celtic

Quite a heavyweight judges panel (the contest was held in conjunction with their workshop)  
Piping: Richard Hawke, Sam Young, Stuart Liddell, Nat Russell  
Drumming: Dean Hall, Jim Kilpatrick  
Ensemble: Rob Bennett, Harold Gillespie

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE QUEENSLAND HIGHLAND PIPERS' SOCIETY INC  
HELD ON 26 SEPTEMBER 2011 AT BALMORAL BOWLS CLUB**

**President:** As there was no President, Patron Maurie DeHayr took the chair at 7.40pm

**Present:** 19 members and others - as per attendance sheet

**Apologies:** J O'Neill, I Barker, R & G O'Malley, E Galloway

**Minutes of Previous Annual Meeting:** *Moved* D Galloway *seconded* A McConnell that the minutes of the 2010 annual meeting which were published in the November 2010 Newsletter be taken as read and confirmed. *Carried*

**President's report:** There was no report as no President had been elected last year.

**Accounts:** The Treasurer presented the accounts and briefly explained the major items. He also advised that the photocopier has now completely failed and cannot be repaired so alternatives will need to be considered by the committee. The accounts since incorporation only require the President or Treasurer to supply a certificate that the accounts have been properly kept. That certificate has been given by the Treasurer. A copy of the accounts is published in this newsletter. *Moved* A McConnell, *seconded* S Supranowicz that the accounts be received and adopted.

**Election of Officers**

Valid nominations had been received for the following

**President:** Donald Galloway - Declared elected (A McConnell/M DeHayr)

Donald took the chair

**Secretary:** Alex McConnell – Declared elected (M DeHayr/D Galloway)

**Treasurer:** Alex McConnell - Declared elected (M DeHayr/D Galloway)

**Patron (Management Committee position):** Maurie DeHayr - Declared elected (A McConnell/D Galloway)

**Vice President (Management Committee position):** Matt Supranowicz - declared elected (A McConnell/M DeHayr)

**Subscription:** It was *Moved* M DeHayr that the 2002/13 subscription be \$35, payable before the Annual Meeting in 2012. *Seconded* by A McConnell and *Carried*

**PBA Membership:** *Moved* M DeHayr, *seconded* A McConnell that we affiliate. *Carried*. Delegate T McGirr plus one to be appointed by the committee.

**General Business**

T McGirr raised a matter relating comments made to his wife by an unspecified person, which he considered were out of order. The matter was noted but no action was taken.

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 7.55pm



Queensland Highland Pipers' Society Inc  
Balance Sheet (with prior year comparison)  
As of June 30, 2011

	Jun 30, 11	Jun 30, 10
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Current Assets		
Chequing/Savings	4,521.69	3,610.26
Cheque Account	52.21	55.21
NAB Cheque Account		
Total Chequing/Savings	4,573.90	3,665.47
Accounts Receivable		
Accounts Receivable	0.00	771.22
Total Accounts Receivable	0.00	771.22
Other Current Assets		
Undeposited Funds	145.00	347.05
Total Other Current Assets	145.00	347.05
Total Current Assets	4,718.90	4,783.74
Fixed Assets		
Afficio Copier/Printer	0.00	241.10
Total Fixed Assets	0.00	241.10
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>4,718.90</b>	<b>5,024.84</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Current Liabilities		
Other Current Liabilities		
Scots PGC Workshop Fund	571.05	571.05
Total Other Current Liabilities	571.05	571.05
Total Current Liabilities	571.05	571.05
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>571.05</b>	<b>571.05</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	<b>4,147.85</b>	<b>4,453.79</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>		
Opening Bal Equity	7,641.75	7,641.75
Retained Earnings	-3,187.96	-2,396.14
Net Income	-305.94	-791.82
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>	<b>4,147.85</b>	<b>4,453.79</b>

Queensland Highland Pipers' Society Inc  
Income and Expenditure (with prior year comparison)  
1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011

	Jul '10 - Jun 11	Jul '09 - Jun 10
<b>Income</b>		
DONATIONS	150.00	30.00
DOOR TAKINGS		
Piob Club	284.00	240.00
DOOR TAKINGS - Ot...	823.80	1,236.05
Total DOOR TAKINGS	1,107.80	1,476.05
INTEREST	11.77	8.44
SUBSCRIPTIONS	2,490.00	2,225.00
SUNDRIES	0.00	70.34
Workshop Income	0.00	0.00
Total Income	3,759.57	3,809.83
<b>Expense</b>		
BANK CHARGES	49.80	30.00
DEPRECIATION	241.10	687.50
POSTAGE	601.41	731.11
PRINTING	498.19	317.10
PRIZE MONEY		
6/8 Contest	350.00	200.00
Air & Jig	60.00	105.00
Jimmy Durham Trophy	220.00	235.00
Hornpipe and Jig	110.00	95.00
Jig	0.00	40.00
Pairs of Pipers	320.00	150.00
Patron's Trophy	180.00	200.00
PRIZE MONEY - Other	-45.00	0.00
Total PRIZE MONEY	1,195.00	1,025.00
RAFFLES	175.79	195.95
RENT		
Piobaireachd Meetings	396.00	528.00
RENT - Other	760.00	850.00
Total RENT	1,156.00	1,378.00
STATIONERY	0.00	16.24
SUBSCRIPTIONS PAID	0.00	100.00
SUNDRY EXPENSES	126.95	120.75
SUPPERS	21.27	0.00
Total Expense	4,065.51	4,601.65
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>-305.94</b>	<b>-791.82</b>

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1. We remain in a viable position but as always need to look for new ways of getting new members and keeping our costs under control. There are no magic solutions – just steady effort and the judicious injection of new ideas. Steady organic growth is often more sustainable than extreme changes which can go expensively wrong.

2. The Scots PGC Workshop Fund is the result of us putting the income and expenses for these workshops through our books. The workshops made a profit, so we are holding this amount to be used for future workshops.

3. The Society printer/copier is now fully depreciated. It is also beginning to be unreliable so we may have to decide whether to replace it or whether to have newsletters printed externally.

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Statement pursuant to sub paragraph 59B (2) (b) (ii) of the ASSOCIATIONS INCORPORATION ACT 1981

As Treasurer of the Queensland Highland Pipers Society Inc I state that the association keeps financial records in a way that properly records the association's income and expenditure and dealings with its assets and liabilities.

(Signed)

A J McConnell

Treasurer

Queensland Highland Pipers' Society Inc

26 September 2011

## WHERE DO OUR NEWSLETTERS GO?

**At present, we issue 176 copies of our newsletter.** Not all of these go to members - the breakup is:

Members	135 (77%)	
For Information	31 (17%)	These are kindred bodies and also publications or organisations who use some of our information in exchange for ourselves using their information
Free copies	10 (6%)	These are for people who had a long association with the Society and are no longer members but who wish to keep in touch

**Distribution method:** 105 (60%) by post and 71 (40%) by email

**The geographical distribution is:**

QLD	143	(81%)
NSW	17	(10%)
VIC	5	(3%)
SA	3	(2%)
WA	2	(1%)
TAS	1	(1%)
Scotland	4	(2%)