

# Queensland Highland Pipers' Society

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**October 2015**

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## **An Invitational Piper Solo Competition**

**In Memory of Julie Appleton-Seymour 10/07/1940 -16/02/2012**

**SATURDAY, 24th October 2015**

Commencing time –7pm

**Venue: Dining Hall, Emmanuel College, Qld University,**  
Sir William MacGregor Drive, St Lucia.

Refer to facebook.com or website www.qhps.org for map  
directions

**Required elements for competition: Slow Air, “Julies  
Hornpipe” (compulsory tune)& Jig**

**Prizes: 1st \$500 2nd \$300 3rd \$200**

Prize money sponsored by D&B Solutions Pty Ltd (Investor Loans  
Network) Julie Appleton-Seymour Trophy – Crafted by Allan  
Morrice

Crowd's Favourite Piper receives a Bottle of Scotch – Donated by  
M. Paterson

**Door Admission Adults \$10.00 Children 15 & Under \$5.00**

For Inquiries or Presale of Tickets please  
Contact Alex McConnell Sec. Ph: 07 33974512 or email  
qhps@qhps.org

Further entertainment - Thistle dancers performing the New  
Zealand Hornpipe

A cash bar will be open and supper provided.



### News

The annual subscription for members has been lowered from \$35 to \$30. Those who are yet to renew their membership can do so at the next meeting. If you are unaware of whether your membership is current or not, you can contact Alex directly at qhps@qhps.org.

People can pay their subscription via the website of by a direct debit. The account details are as follows:

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## September Meeting

Our September meeting which was due to be a recital with invited players turned out to be rather disappointing with many withdrawals during the day and only about seven people in attendance.

Perhaps the fact that the Annual Meeting was the first order of business for the night frightened people away!

The minutes of the meeting, President's report and financial statement are published elsewhere in the newsletter.

After the Annual Meeting we did have a short recital anyway which was enjoyed by those present.

Lachlan McPhee was first to play with Castle Dangerous, Colin MacKay and The Seagull and he was followed by Andrew Roach with John Burgess, Bonawe Highlandrs, Campbelltown Kiltie Ball, O'er the Bows to Ballindalloch, Rose Amongst the Heather, De'il Amongst the Tailors, Kate Dalrymple, Mrs Macleod of Raasay, Train Journey North and The Black Bear (the last tune at Elizabeth Galloway's request).

Alex McConnell

## November Meeting Notice

Thursday 26th at 7.00pm at BULIMBA BOWLS CLUB, QUINN STREET BALMORAL  
Admission \$10

Jack McCandlish Trophy - 6/8 March Competition

Junior: One 4-parted or two 2-parted tunes,

Senior Two 4-parted tunes played consecutively.

To be eligible for the Junior Contest, players must be graded C or D. All others will play in the senior division.

Prizes: Senior 1st \$100, 2nd \$50, 3rd \$30, Junior 1st \$80, 2nd \$40, 3rd \$30

We will also have the presentation of our Piper of the Year awards (Junior & Senior) based on participation at Society meetings and results of our competitions.

## Calendar

February 26

Quartet Contest

March 26

Hornpipe/Jig Contest

April 23

Recital - Stuart Easton

May 23

Patron's Trophy (Senior MSR)

June 20 (Saturday)

50th Anniversary

July 23

Jimmy Durham Memorial (Junior 2/4 March)

August 27

Pair of Pipers Contest

September 24

Recital with Scottish pipers

October 24

Julie Appleton-Seymour

Memorial Contest

November 26

Jack McCandlish Trophy (6/8's)

Piobaireachd Group

February 1

March 1

April 12 \*\*

May 3

June 13 \*\*

July 5

August 2

September 13

October 4

November 1 (Recital or contest)

December 6

\*\* To be confirmed

## QHPS Piobaireachd Group

The October Meeting unfortunately only managed 5 attendees due to illness, school holidays, and a wedding (we send out congratulations to Peter Hurwood and his wife and wish them a great future).

The morning's piping was commenced by Bruce MacLeod, who played "The Lament for Alasdair Dearg MacDonell" – a good going effort from Bruce.

He was followed by Ian Yardley who began his selection with the ground of "The Lament for MacDonald of Kinlochmoidart No. 1" and finally giving us Red Hector of the Battles, or Eachann Ruadh nan Cath in Scottish Gaelic, was the 6th Chief of Clan Maclean.

He was the son of Lachlan Lubanach Maclean, and he early distinguished himself by daring exploits, and was noted as being one of the best swordsmen of his time.

David Mariner then took up his Pipe and gave a polished rendition of Donald McPhee's tune "The Salute to Pipe Major Richard Parkes MBE".

Ross Campbell gave us a discussion on the set tune "The MacLeod's Short Tune". After singing through the tune, we retired to morning tea to be followed with Ross playing the tune through as set out by R.U. Brown.

One O'clock coming up fast, David Mariner played the beautiful "Lament for Mary MacLeod".

Reminder - Recital Day 1st November 2015

## Coming Events:

### October

Sunday 4 10:00am - 01:00pm Piobaireachd Group at Rochedale State High School

Thursday 22 07:00pm - 10:00pm Society Meeting at Emmanuel College, UQ - Julie Appleton-Seymour Contest –Note – Date and Location may change

Saturday 24 Glenfiddich Piping Championship – Blair Castle, Scotland

### November

Sunday 1 9:00am - 3:00pm Piobaireachd Group Recital at Rochedale State High School

Thursday 26 07:00pm - 10:00pm Society Meeting at Bulimba Bowls Club – Jack McCandlish Trophy Contest (6/8s)

More information on these events on the Calendars at [www.qhps.org](http://www.qhps.org) and [www.pipebandsqld.org](http://www.pipebandsqld.org) or by email to [qhps@qhps.org](mailto:qhps@qhps.org)

## RADIO PROGRAMS

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  
Scottish Program on Global Digital Radio (4EB) each Sunday from 2pm to 3pm.

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Triple T 103.9 Townsville Community Radio's Scottish Program each Sunday from 3pm to 5pm

## OTHER PIPING SOCIETIES

The Smallpipers Group - 1st Tuesday of the month at Milton. Contact Malcolm McLaren for meeting details - [mrmclaren@bigpond.com](mailto: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](mailto: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 Aiton Sheppard 08 9301 0926

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MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE QUEENSLAND HIGHLAND PIPERS' SOCIETY  
INC  
HELD ON 24 SEPTEMBER 2015 AT BALMORAL BOWLS CLUB

President: President Donald Galloway took the chair at 7.35pm

Present: Donald Galloway, Andrew Roach, Alex McConnell, Elizabeth Galloway, Lachlan McPhee, Roger McPhee, Desley McConnell.

Apologies: Maurie DeHayr, Maragret Paterson, Vik and Sandra Supranowicz, Iain Davidson

Minutes of Previous Annual Meeting: It was noted that it appeared that the minutes of the 2014 annual meeting had not been circulated, Resolved that the committee locate the minutes and circulate them when found.

President's report: Donald Galloway read his report to the meeting - a copy is attached to these minutes. It was received with acclamation.

Accounts: The Treasurer presented the accounts and briefly explained the major items. 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 A Roach that the accounts be received and adopted. Carried

## Election of Officers

Valid nominations were received for the following

President: Andrew Roach - Declared elected (D Galloway/A McConnell)

The new President moved a vote of thanks to Donald Galloway for his years of service to the Society.

Resolved that the duties of Secretary and Treasurer be combined as previously.

Secretary: Alex McConnell – Declared elected (A Roach/L McPhee)

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

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

Other Management Committee positions: Moved Andrew Roach, seconded Alex McConnell that Donald Galloway, Lachlan McPhee and Jim Allan be elected to the Management Committee. Carried

Subscription: Resolved that the 2005/16 subscription be \$30, payable before the Annual Meeting in 2016.

PBA Membership: Resolved not to pursue this at present.

## General Business

Meeting Nights: Resolved to go back to Monday nights for meetings as Thursday nights have not led to increased attendances (perhaps the opposite)

Meeting Admission: Resolved that this remain at \$5 for members and \$10 for non-members.

50th anniversary of first formal meeting of the Society: As our first meeting in 2016 will be on 22 February, exactly 50 years since the first formal meeting, the committee should organise a special event for the night

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 8.05pm

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Another year has passed with the infusion of some new ideas for our monthly meetings. At the start of the year the Management Committee of Maurie De Hayr, Alex McConnell, Andrew Roach, Lachlan McPhee, our new editor for the Society's newsletter, and I met to map out a program for the year, this being the Society's 50th anniversary.

One of the first matters to be considered was the issue of declining attendances at our meetings. Attendances over the previous twelve months had been a little sporadic at times and so it was decided from feedback passed back to the Committee that scheduling the monthly meetings from the usual fourth Monday in the month to another night may encourage greater attendance. And so it was decided to trial meeting on the fourth Thursday in the month, however results have been mixed and changing the night hasn't really made any significant improvement to attendances.

I think it is fair to say our numbers have declined over the year, and this is something the incoming Committee will need to address for next year. As I have already mentioned, this year is the 50th anniversary of the Society and to mark the milestone, the Committee decided to introduce some fresh ideas to celebrate the occasion.

The year started with a quartet contest in February and interspersed with the regular competitions which have become an integral part of the Society's calendar, we were entertained at the April meeting by Stuart Eastern, a very accomplished piper from New Zealand. In May, the Society joined with the Wynnum Pipe Band and the Wynnum RSL to run the Patron's Trophy Competition at the RSL, and with generous prize money on offer, the competition attracted a large number of competitors.

The June meeting was set aside to celebrate the Society's 50th anniversary and this took place at the Brisbane Boys' College theatre where a recital was held with Jason Craig from Canberra as the guest piper supported by local pipers Chris Cloete and Andrew Roach. A good night was enjoyed by all who attended with old members mixing with new members and reminiscing about Society events of the past.

As part of the plan to encourage more interest in the Society's meeting, the Committee is currently putting the final touches to the Julie Appleton-Seymour Memorial Hornpipe Competition for the October meeting.

This year, the event will be held at Emmanuel College within the University of Queensland campus and is an invitation only competition which is already attracting a good number of competitors.

Again it has been encouraging to see the number of junior and senior competitors who have supported the Society's competitions throughout the year. I should also acknowledge the efforts of the tutors, particularly with preparing the junior players for the different competitions during the year.



Again there are a number of people I am indebted to who have assisted me during the year. I speak of Alex McConnell, our Secretary/Treasurer for his tireless efforts in ensuring the smooth running of the Society and keeping track of the Society's funds. His wife Desley, for her reliable attention to the door duties at our meetings and her contribution in ensuring everything is prepared for supper each month.

To all the people who have assisted with the suppers throughout the year by bringing along food for all to enjoy. To Lachlan McPhee who has injected some younger ideas into how best to communicate events using social media. To Maurie De Hayr, our Patron, who has become an integral part of the Society through his support and commitment over many years, and Andrew Roach, who with his experience and network of contacts, have both assisted and supported me by making sure things ran smoothly each month.

And to the judges who have given of their time to come along to the meetings and adjudicate at the different competitions. To all these people I wish to express my heartfelt thanks and appreciation. I must also acknowledge the Piobaireachd Group and the work that has been done by Ross Campbell, Maurie De Hayr, Alex McConnell and others during the year to ensure the smooth running of the monthly meetings leading up to the Annual Recital in November.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to express my appreciation for again being given the opportunity to serve the Society as President, a role which I trust I have fulfilled with the conscientiousness that I think is required for the office.

In looking ahead to the next 50 years, I think it is important that we continue to build on the platform that has been set and ensure a strong future for the Society whose principal aim is to promote the playing of the great highland bagpipe, and one which continues to encourage the bringing together of like minded people and their love for the music.

Ladies and gentlemen, that completes my report.

Donald Galloway  
President

**Queensland Highland Pipers Society Inc Income Statement For Period  
Covering 01/07/14 to 30/06/15**

Income

<u>Admission</u>	
<u>Meetings</u>	\$2,907.00
<u>Piobaireachd Group</u>	\$405.00
<b>Total <u>Admission</u></b>	<b>\$3,312.00</b>
<u>Entry Fees</u>	\$240.00
<u>Interest Income</u>	\$27.37
<u>Other Income</u>	\$40.00
<u>Sales</u>	\$34.70
<u>Sponsorship</u>	\$1,000.00
<u>Subscriptions</u>	
<u>2015</u>	\$1,680.50
<u>2016</u>	\$65.00
<b>Total <u>Subscriptions</u></b>	<b>\$1,745.50</b>
<b>Total <u>Income</u></b>	<b>\$6,399.57</b>

Expenses

<u>Bank Service Charge</u>	\$9.91
<u>Depreciation</u>	\$81.00
<u>Insurance</u>	\$932.34
<u>Judging Fees</u>	\$150.00
<u>Licenses and Permits</u>	\$48.25
<u>Miscellaneous</u>	\$47.44
<u>Performance Fees</u>	\$1,260.00
<u>Postage and Delivery</u>	\$821.75
<u>Presentations</u>	\$50.00
<u>Printing and Reproduction</u>	\$318.79
<u>Prize Money</u>	
<u>Air &amp; Jig</u>	\$210.00
<u>Hornpipe and Jig</u>	\$95.00
<u>Jack McCandlish Trophy</u>	\$330.00
<u>Jimmy Durham Memorial</u>	\$220.00
<u>Julie Appleton-Seymour Memorial</u>	\$1,000.00
<u>Piper of The Year</u>	\$100.00
<u>Quartets</u>	\$79.96
<b>Total <u>Prize Money</u></b>	<b>\$2,034.96</b>
<u>Raffles</u>	\$115.79
<u>Rent</u>	
<u>Meetings</u>	\$940.00
<u>Piobaireachd Group</u>	\$396.00
<b>Total <u>Rent</u></b>	<b>\$1,336.00</b>
<b>Total <u>Expenses</u></b>	<b>\$7,206.23</b>
<b>Net loss for Period</b>	<b>\$806.66</b>

*AJ McConnell*  
Treasurer  
24/9/15

## Queensland Highland Pipers Society Inc Balance Sheet 30/06/15

### Assets

#### Assets

##### Current Assets

<u>Undeposited Funds</u>	\$40.00
<u>Drinks for Sale</u>	\$90.48
<u>Floats</u>	\$156.00
<u>Printer Costs Recoverable</u>	\$49.72
<u>Cheque Account</u>	\$2,919.13
<u>Paypal</u>	\$3.88

**Total Assets** **\$3,259.21**

### Liabilities

#### Liabilities

Workshop Fund \$571.05

**Total Liabilities** **\$571.05**

### Equity

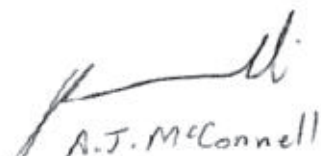
#### Equity

Opening Balances \$3,494.82

Retained Losses \$806.66

**Total Equity** **\$2,688.16**

**Total Liabilities & Equity** **\$3,259.21**

  
A.J. McConnell  
Treasurer  
24/9/15

## NOTES

1. We remain in a viable position. The deficit this year has been caused by extra expenses generated by our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary year. Measures have been taken to increase admission prices to cover increased rent and insurance costs.
2. We now have a new memberships records system which should aid the issue of subscription notices which should increase income in future. The first run of notices has been delayed but will occur soon.



Alex McConnell  
Treasurer

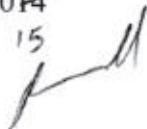
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**Statement pursuant to sub paragraph 59B (2) (b) (ii) of the ASSOCIATIONS  
INCORPORATION ACT 1981**

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.



A J McConnell  
Treasurer  
Queensland Highland Pipers' Society Inc  
24 September 2014

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From the Secretary

As you will see elsewhere in this newsletter, following the annual meeting last month Andrew Roach has moved into the President's chair but Donald Galloway is staying on the Committee which has expanded a bit. The Committee will be meeting soon to plan out next year's program.

Our first meeting for the year will be on Monday 22 February (you will have seen we are moving back to Monday nights) which is 50 years to the day since the first formal meeting of the Society, so we will be looking to make it a significant event.

We are finishing up the year with two big competitions – first the invitational Julie Appleton-Seymour memorial in October at Emmanuel College at the University and then the Jack McCandlish memorial for 6/8 marches in November at our normal venue, so we expect plenty of good music and hopefully lots of avid listeners as well.

Subscription notices have just issued – these are for the year ending 30 June 2016 – please advise of any anomalies as we have switched over to a new membership system which should make managing the Society more efficient, but there are often glitches when systems change.

Alex McConnell