

# Queensland Highland Pipers' Society

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**July 2016**

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## July Meeting

### Jimmy Durham Memorial 2/4 March Contest

Monday 25 July

7.00pm

Bulimba Bowls Club, Quinn Street, Balmoral

Admission: \$10 non members, \$5 members

The contest is for junior players and the test piece is a 2/4 March of 4 or more parts of the competitor's choice played once through. The contest is only open to those who have not previously won the event and who are graded C or D.

Prizes: 1st; The Jimmy Durham Trophy plus \$100, 2nd: \$60, 3rd: \$40, 4th \$20, 5th: \$15. Entries to qhps@qhps.org or 07 3397 4512 or before 7.00pm on the night. No entry fee but competitor must

A quiet night for the Society last month but a reminder that this month we will have the Annual Jimmy Durham trophy for junior players.

Meantime the contest season continues both here and in Scotland. A well attended band contest at Greenbank on 10 July and some good performances in Scotland from Queensland players (see the European Championships and Forres games results).

The next big events here are on 20 August with the rescheduled Queensland Pipe Band and Solo Championships at Ipswich and on Saturday 3 September at Scots PGC Warwick with mini-bands, full bands and solos. All details are on the PBA website at [www.pipebandsqld.org](http://www.pipebandsqld.org).



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## June Meeting

We had only a small attendance at our June meeting but it was still a most enjoyable night.

Nick Tomkins had been working on the repertoire he has to play as he is playing at the Worlds this year with Manawatu Scottish from New Zealand. First he played a 12/8 set comprising *Mrs Leanne Horsburgh* and *Linda's Lilt*. Then we heard the band's No 1 MSR set *Dugald MacColl's Farewell to France*, *Athole Cummers* and *John Morrison of Assynt House*, followed by the No 2 set *The Links of Forth*, *Dora MacLeod* and *Pretty Marion*. To finish off what was a pretty heavy bracket, he played the No 1 medley *Peter R Flexman APM*, *James MacLellan's Favourite*, *The Famous Baravan*, *Lament for Freeman's Whistle*, *Lachine Rapids*, *Fiona MacDonald*, *Broadford Bay* and *Urban Hero*.

Andrew Roach had brought along a set of mouth blown shuttle pipes made by John Walsh from Nova Scotia in Canada. They had three drones - a bass, baritone and tenor. More details are on John Walsh's website at [johnwalshbagpipes.com](http://johnwalshbagpipes.com). Andrew played some tunes on them, showed us the reeds and demonstrated how they are tuned. Nick Tomkins also had a few tunes on them.

Andrew Roach then played a few tunes on his son Patrick's pipes, a set of 1890 Hendersons.

Nick then played the Manawatu "Piping Live" set *Concerning Hobbits*, *In & Out of the Harbour*, *The Mountain Road* and *The Appropriate Dipstick* and finished up with the No 2 Medley *The Piper's Bonnet (h/pipe)*, *The Piper's Bonnet (jig)*, *Trad 9/8 Jig*, *The Skye Rovers*, *Lauren's Melody*, *Mrs Donald MacPherson*, *The Ironman*, *MacPherson's Rant*, *The Departure* and *The Muckle Dram*.

We all wished Nick the best in his playing with Manawatu.

## Calendar

July 25 (Mon)  
Jimmy Durham Memorial  
(Junior 2/4 March)

August 22 (Mon)  
Piobaireachd Night

September 26 (Mon)  
Annual Meeting and Pair  
of Pipers Contest

October 29 (Sat)  
Julie Appleton-Seymour  
Memorial Contest  
Emmanuel College Hall,  
U Qld

November 28 (Mon)  
Jack McCandlish Trophy  
(6/8's)

Meetings at Bulimba Bowls  
Club except as specified.

## Piobaireachd Group at Rosedale High School

February 7  
March 6  
April 3  
May 8 - cancelled  
June 5 - cancelled  
July 3  
August 7  
September 11  
October 2  
November 6 (Recital)  
December 4



## QHPS Piobaireachd Group

Rochedale State High School, Priestdale Road

*Though the attendance was lower than anticipated the July meeting of the group went ahead with some fine tunes delivered with good expression and playing.*



*The morning was commenced by Ross Campbell playing **The Kings Taxes** on a good sounding pipe which appreciated the change in climate from the chills of Toowoomba.*

*Ross was followed by David Marriner whose tune for this meeting was **The Glen is Mine**, a tune which he delivered with good expression and control.*

*Iain Bruce was our next player and though he has not been to the meetings for some time showed that his playing and instrument are still first class playing **The Gordons' Salute** after some fine tunes to settle both himself and the pipe*

*After a break for morning tea during which some discussion on tunes stretched the day Peter Hurwood gave a goodly **Sir James of the Isles Lament**.*

*The set tune **Salute to Donald** was delivered by Ross and various points of presentation were discussed after which Ross played it for the group.*

*Time was catching us fast as Iain was requested to play a further tune and the meeting thus concluded after an excellent presentation of **The Company's Lament**.*

*NEXT MEETING 7<sup>th</sup> AUGUST*

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## Other Coming Events (see P2 for Society Program)

Saturday 20th August Queensland Pipe Band and Solo Championships - Limestone Park, Ipswich  
www.ipswichthistle.com

Saturday 03 September 2016 Scots PGC Mini Band and Solo Contest - Warwick. www.pipebandsqld.org

Saturday 01 October 2016 - Sunday 02 October 2016 Australian Pipe Band Championships - Knox Grammar School, Sydney

# CONTEST RESULTS

## European Pipe Band Championship - Forres - 25 June

### Grade 1 (medley)

1st St. Laurence O'Toole  
2nd Field Marshal Montgomery  
3rd Inveraray & District  
4th Shotts & Dykehead Caledonia  
5th ScottishPower  
6th Spirit of Scotland (ens.pref.)  
Judges: Robert Mathieson, John McCarlie (piping); H. Russell (drumming); Gordon Lawrie (ensemble)

### Grade 2 (MSR)

1st Police Service of Northern Ireland  
2nd Buchan Peterson  
3rd Johnstone  
4th Balagan  
5th Lomond & Clyde  
6th Glasgow Skye Association  
Judges: George Wilson, Robert Shaw (piping); Paul Turner (drumming); John MacInnes (ensemble)

### Novice Juvenile A

1st Dollar Academy  
2nd North Lanarkshire Schools  
3rd George Watson's College  
**4th Scotch College Melbourne**  
5th Ross and Cromarty Pipes and Drums School  
6th Oban High School

## 7th Brisbane Boys' College Pipe Band

8th Stirling and District Schools  
9th Dunoon Grammar School  
10th Peoples Ford - Boghall and Bathgate Caledonia  
**11th Knox Grammar School - Australia**

## Luss Highland Games - 2 July

### Senior

### Piobaireachd

1st Donald MacPhee, *Donald of Laggan*  
2nd Craig Martin, *Too Long in This Condition*  
3rd Rebecca Tierney, *Clan Campbell's Gathering*  
Judges: Ian Duncan, Tom Speirs

### March

1st Donald MacPhee  
2nd Steven Gray  
3rd Maël Sicard  
Judges: Jim Henderson, Ronnie McShannon

### Strathspey & Reel

1st Steven Gray  
2nd Andrew Bova  
3rd Ross Miller  
Judges: Jim Henderson, Ronnie McShannon

### Under-18 MSR

1st Luke Kennedy  
2nd Findlay Frame  
3rd Alistair McLean

## All-Ireland Pipe Band Championships - Malahide, Ireland – 2 July

### **Grade 1**

#### **Overall**

- 1st Field Marshal Montgomery
- 2nd St. Laurence O'Toole
- 3rd Bleary & District
- 4th Ravara
- Drumming: St. Laurence O'Toole

#### **Medley**

- 1st Field Marshal Montgomery
- 2nd St. Laurence O'Toole
- 3rd Ravara (ens.pref)
- 4th Bleary & District
- Judges: John Wilson, Ian Wood (piping); Jim Baxter (drumming); Alan Ronaldson (ensemble)

#### **MSR**

- 1st St. Laurence O'Toole (ens.pref.)
- 2nd Field Marshal Montgomery
- 3rd Bleary & District
- 4th Ravara
- Judges: Cameron Edgar, Colin Moffett (piping); Ciaran Mordaunt (drumming); Joe Noble (ensemble)

#### **Grade 2**

- 1st Police Service of Northern Ireland
- 2nd Closkelt
- 3rd Thiepval Memorial
- Drumming: Police Service of Northern Ireland
- Judges: John Wilson, Ian Wood (piping); Jim Baxter (drumming); Alan Ronaldson (ensemble)

## Forres Highland Games - 9 July

### **Marches**

- 1st Alan Clark
- 2nd Calum Brown
- 3rd Amos Fox (Brisbane)**

### **Strathspey/Reel**

- 1st Calum Brown

## 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.

**Radio 99.7 FM (Redcliffe)** – Sundays 12noon to 3pm

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

- 2nd Alan Clark
- 3rd Steven Spencer

### **Jig**

- 1st Calum Brown
- 2nd Steven Spencer
- 3rd Alan Clark
- Judge: J. Hamilton

## Scotland in the Park - Greenbank Recreation Reserve - 10 July 2016

### **Juvenile**

- 1st Qld Police Juvenile

### **Grade 4**

- 1st Toowoomba Caledonian
- 2nd Ipswich Thistle
- 3rd Murrumba
- Trophy for Grade 4 MSR from Celtic Council - Murrumba

### **Grade 3**

- 1st Wynnum RSL
- 2nd Greater Springfield
- 3rd Murrumba

### **Open Grade**

- 1st St Andrew's
- 2nd Greater Springfield
- Clans Congress Trophy for best band overall
- St Andrew's

### **Dress (Overall)**

- Greater Springfield

### **Junior D/M**

- 1st Aidan Ryan
- 2nd Izaak Dove
- 3rd John Elliott

### **Senior D/M**

- 1st Dominic Andersen-Strudwick
- 2nd Izaak Dove
- 3rd Hamish Naylor and Aidan Ryan (equal)
- 5th John Elliott

## OTHER PIPING SOCIETIES

**The Smallpipers Group** - 1st Tuesday of the month at Milton. Contact Malcolm McLaren for meeting details - 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

**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

**RU Brown Piobaireachd Society** of South Australia: [www.rubrown.org.au](http://www.rubrown.org.au) or Craig Masson 08 8261 1119



Enjoy a weekend in Warwick  
Scottish Social Evening from 7:00pm


## Mini-Band/Pipe Band Solo Piping and Drumming Competition

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