

# Queensland Highland Pipers' Society

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## March Meeting

Monday 27th at 7.00pm sharp

Brisbane Boys College Band Room  
Entrance off Moggill Road, Towwong

## Maclean Run-Through

Come and listen to all the winning tunes that will be played at the Maclean Highland Gathering a couple of weeks later.

And of course, come to play the tunes YOU intend to play at Maclean in the solos.

**\$5 admission for members, \$10 non members.**  
**Join on the night for \$30 and get member price all year.**

A great start to the year last month with the quartet contest and a fantastic attendance. Our "new" venue at the BBC Band Room proved ideal and should serve us well this year. Once again, thanks to the school, Stevie Stanley and the parent support group.

This coming weekend is a big one, with the concert at BBC with The Pipe Band Club (Sydney), BBC Pipe Bands, Celtic Psychosis and Highland Dancers from 4pm on Saturday afternoon

(go to

<https://www.tickethost.com.au/eview.aspx?Event=1135&Perf=0,to>  
book)

followed by the BBC Scottish Highland Gathering on Sunday from 10am, and then our meeting above on Monday. Hope you can make it to all of them!

Alex McConnell  
Secretary



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## February Meeting

The new year got away to a flying start with an estimated 100 people in attendance including competitors. Someone said there were even 10 drummers in attendance! We had apologies from Vik and Sandra Supranowicz and from Elizabeth Galloway.

President Andrew Roach opened the night with thanks to the BBC Pipe Band for providing the venue (met with applause). He announced that there were mystery judges in the audience and outlined the format of the night. We had eight Quartets to play from five separate band organisations. Unfortunately the newly merged University of Queensland Highlanders were only able to get three pipers for the night so their performance was strictly speaking a demonstration. The three members playing were also playing in the forthcoming NZ Pipe Band Championships with Canterbury Caledonian and played the Canterbury medley tunes.

The Quartets and their tunes were as follows, in order of play:

BBC No 2 Band - *Prince Charles Welcome to Lochaber, Mac n Irish , Becky Ewan*

BBC Old Collegians Quartet 2 - *The Bathgate Highland Gathering, The Old Wife of the Mill Dust, Alan MacPherson of Mossbank, The Apple Tree, Lady Mackenzie of Fairbairn, Miss Girdle, Pipe Major George Allan*

BBC No 1 Band Quartet 2 - *Farewell to Nigg, Lost Samwell, Glasgow City Police Pipers, Mists of Time, Aspen Bank, Masons Apron*

Scots PGC - *The Kilted Runner, The Panda, The Clumsy Lover, Cobo Bay, Molly Connell, Sleepy Maggie, Ca The Ewes*

BBC No 1 Band Quartet 1 - *Donald MacLean's Farewell to Oban, Caledonian Canal, Alick C MacGregor*

BBC Old Collegians Quartet 1 - Same tunes as Quartet 2

St Andrews - *Cosmos Cascade, The Boys from the Lough, Tending The Steer, The Girl from Dungannon, Seonaidh's Tune, Caledonian Society of London, Sleepy Maggie, MacLeod's Reel*

Emmanuel College Highlanders - *If looks could kill - composed by Simon Blackshaw, Kilcunda Jig - composed by Simon Blackshaw, The Ducks of Deer Lake - composed by Simon Blackshaw, Lauren's Melody - composed B. Switalla Arr. R. Hawke, Callum Campbell of Benbecula - composed by Fred Morrison, John Roy Stewart composed Arr W. Ferguson, John Roy Stewart Reel composed Arr. J Hawke/S Blackshaw, Spirits of Old Poulteney Reel - unknown, Last Tango in Harris - composed by Gordon Duncan, Arr. G. Bryce*

While the judges' results were being collated, Andrew Roach mentioned that two boys from BBC had attended the recent NZ Summer School which had a total attendance of some 160. Tom Hulbert had won the tune writing competition with a tune called The Walking Jig, following on from Ben Morris who had won it last year with a tune called The Yorkshire Rant. He asked Tom to play his winning tune for us.

Finally Andrew thanked all for attending and especially Steve Stanley

## Calendar

**Mar 27** - Pipers night for Maclean practice

**Apr 21 (Fri)** - International Guest Recital - Regatta Hotel

**May 27 (Sat)** - Patron's Trophy - Senior MSR - Wynnim RSL

**Jun 26** - Pipers Night - Strathspeys and Reels

**Jul 24** - Jimmy Durham Trophy - U18 2/4 March

**Aug 28** - Piobaireachd night - focus on junior players

**Sep 16 (Sat)** - International Guest Recital - Regatta Hotel

**Oct 28 (Sat)** - Julie Appleton-Seymour Contest - Emmanuel College UQ

**Nov 27** - Jack McCandlish Trophy - 6/8s

All meetings on Monday nights at BBC Band Room, Moggil Road, Toowong except as specified.

## **Piobaireachd Group at Rosedale High School**

Apr 2

May 7

Jun 4

Jul 2

Aug 6

Sep 10

Oct 1

Nov 5(Recital day)

Dec 3

Meetings normally in the Performing Arts Building but in Term 1 we are using the Resources Centre

form BBC and the BBC Parent Support Group for organising the food and beverage service. He then announced the winners - St Andrew's - and presented them with their prize - a bottle of

whisky each. With a reminder of next month's meeting the formal part of the meeting finished but conversation continued.....



The winning quartet from St Andrews

## QHPS Piobaireachd Group

Rochedale State High School, Priestdale Road

The March meeting of the group for 2017 was held in the RESOURCES Centre, Rochedale State High School, as recorded in the February notice, our home for the first term as the School is needing our regular venues for rehearsals throughout the first term.

The Resources centre has proved a good venue with a lot of space and very comfortable on the hot days we have endured over the summer.

Thus the meeting commenced with Ross Campbell playing *The Battle of Bealach nam Brog* As usual on a fine pipe and was followed by David Mariner who chose *Salute to Donald* played on a well set up pipe a little stronger than that of Ross.

Bruce McLeod added to the music with *The Lament for Alasdair Dearg MacDonell of Glengarry* showing good feeling for this tune.

Mark McKenzie had managed to come to the meeting and with his instrument well set and holding throughout gave us an excellent rendition of *The lament for Donald Dugal MacKay*.

After morning Tea - which nearly emptied my cold water container - we returned to discuss *The Glen is Mine* the well known tune said to have been composed by John MacCrimmon, one of the last hereditary pipers to McLeod of Dunvegan. Discussion and singing set in well and just left time for the last tune of the day.

Tom McGirr thought he would miss out but we had just enough time left to hear his tune which was *The Battle of Auldearn No. 2*. Tom again played on a well set up pipe and provided a good finish to the meeting.

Next meeting (in resources centre ) will be on **Sunday 2nd April** – a good chance to have a final brushup before Maclean on 14th April.



# CONTEST RESULTS

## Wellington and Hawkes Bay Pipe Band Championships - Palmerston North - 18 February

### Grade 1

#### Overall

New Zealand Police

#### Medley

1st New Zealand Police

2nd Manawatu Scottish

Judges: Andrew Sanders, Craig Fraser (piping);

Dennis Pearce (ensemble); Jamie McEwan (drumming)

#### MSR

1st Manawatu Scottish

New Zealand Police

### Grade 2

#### Medley

1st Wellington Red Hackle

MSR

1st Wellington Red Hackle

### Grade 3

#### Medley

1st City of Wellington

2nd Manawatu 2&3

3rd City of Hastings

#### MSR

1st City of Wellington

2nd Manawatu 2&3

3rd City of Hastings

### Grade 4

#### Medley

1st Scots College

2nd Wellington Red Hackle)

3rd Marton

4th Kapiti Coast

#### MSR

1st Scots College

2nd Wellington Red Hackle

3rd Marton

4th Kapiti Coast

Judges: Andrew Sanders, Craig Fraser (piping);

Dennis Pearce (ensemble); Jamie McEwan (drumming)

## Metro Cup Invitational Professional Solo Piping Competition - Newark, New Jersey - 18 February

### Overall

Callum Beaumont

### Piobaireachd

1st Callum Beaumont, *MacLeod of Colbeck's Lament*

2nd Ian K. MacDonald, *Craigellachie*

3rd Willie McCallum, *Ceol na mara*

4th Alex Gandy, *Ronald MacDonald of Morar's Lament*

5th Bruce Gandy, *The Big Spree*

Judges: Jim Bell, Mike Cusack, Nancy Tunnicliffe

### Medley

1st Callum Beaumont

2nd Alex Gandy

3rd Ian K. MacDonald

4th Bruce Gandy

5th Willie McCallum

Judges: Jim Bell, Mike Cusack, Nancy Tunnicliffe

Other competitors: Glenn Brown, Andrew Hayes,

Alasdair Henderson, Alastair Lee, Andrew Lee,

Dan Lyden, Derek Midgley, and John Patrick

## Ballarat Highland Gathering - 26 February

### Grade 2

1st Moorabbin City

2nd Hawthorn City

Drum Corps: Hawthorn City

### Grade 3

1st Scotch College No 1

2nd City of Melbourne No 1

3rd Victoria Scottish

Drum Corps: Victoria Scottish

### Grade 4

1st Haileybury College No 1

2nd Golden City (Bendigo)

3rd Warrnambool No 1

Drum Corps: Haileybury College No 1

### Grade 4 selection of marches

1st Golden City (Bendigo)

2nd Haileybury College No 2

3rd City of Melbourne No 2 and PLCollege

### Juvenile

1st Haileybury College No 1

2nd Haileybury College No 2

3rd Presbyterian Ladies College  
 Drum Corps: Haileybury College No 1 and  
 Scotch College No 1  
 Judges:Piping; David Telford and James Easdon.  
 Drumming; Ian Bouch and Nick MacLeod.  
 Ensemble; Nat Russell and Viv Riley.

**Bendigo Highland Gathering - 3 March**

**Grade 2**

1st Hawthorn City  
 Drum Corps: Hawthorn City

**Grade 3**

1st City of Melbourne  
 2nd Victoria Scottish  
 Drum Corps: City of Melbourne

**Grade 4**

1st Haileybury College No 1  
 2nd Golden City (Bendigo)  
 3rd Maryborough and District  
 Drum Corps: Warrnambool No 1

**Grade 4 selection of marches**

1st City of Melbourne No 2  
 2nd Golden City (Bendigo)  
 3rd Maryborough and District

**Juvenile**

1st Haileybury College No 1  
 2nd Haileybury College No 2  
 Drum Corps: Haileybury College No 1  
 Judges:Piping; Nat Russell and Tim McLeod.  
 Drumming; Andrew Womersley and Nick  
 MacLeod. Ensemble; Scott Nicholson and Rob  
 Bennett.

**Uist & Barra Invitational Solo Piping  
 Competition - College of Piping Glasgow –  
 4 March**

**Overall**

Callum Beaumont

**Piobaireachd**

1st Callum Beaumont, *Lament for MacLeod of  
 Colbeck*  
 2nd Niall Stewart, *The Stewart's White Banner*  
 3rd Glenn Brown, *Lament for Patrick Og  
 MacCrimmon*  
 4th Jamie Forrester, *The Earl of Ross's March*  
 5th Craig Sutherland, *Scarce of Fishing*

**MSR**

1st Finlay Johnston, *Arthur Bignold of  
 Lochrosque, Maggie Cameron, The Sheepwife*  
 2nd Cameron Drummond, *The Lochaber  
 Gathering, The Caledonian Society of London,*

*Broadford Bay*  
 3rd Callum Beaumont, *Mrs. John MacColl,  
 Inveraray Castle, The Cockerel in the Creel*  
 4th Douglas Murray, *The Highland Wedding, The  
 Ewe wi' the Crookit Horn, Alick C MacGregor*  
 5th Graham Drummond, *Pipe-Major Jim Christie  
 of Wick, Mrs. Donald MacPherson, Alick  
 Cameron, Champion Piper*

**Hornpipe & Jig**

1st Cameron Drummond, *Colin MacKay, Angus  
 John MacNeil of Barra*  
 2nd Niall Stewart, *Donald MacLeod, The  
 Skylark's Ascension*  
 3rd Callum Beaumont, *Raigmore, Donella  
 Beaton*  
 4th Craig Sutherland, *The Man from Skye, John  
 Patterson's Mare*  
 5th Jamie Forester, *Redondo Beach, Kenny  
 Gillies of Portnalong, Skye*  
 Other competitors: Wilson Brown, Faye  
 Henderson and Innes Smith  
 Judges: James Banks, Robert Wallace and John  
 Wilson

**Archie Kenneth Quaich amateur  
 piobaireachd competition - Royal Scottish  
 Pipers' Society - 4 March**

1st Robert Frater, *Battle of Auldearn No 1*  
 2nd Walter Gray, *Hail to My Country*  
 3rd Gregor McCulloch, *MacLeod's Controversy*  
 4th John Forbes, *Lament for the Rowan Tree*  
 Finalist: Andrea Zingg, *MacCrimmon's  
 Sweetheart*  
 Finalist: Gill Cairns, *Too Long in This Condition*  
 There were a total of 31 competitors who played  
 in two heats  
 Judges: Bruce Hitchings and William Morrison

**New Zealand Pipe Band Championships - Nelson -  
 10-11 March**

**Grade 1**

**Overall**

1st Canterbury Caledonian Society  
 2nd New Zealand Police  
 3rd Manawatu Scottish  
 4th City of Invercargill  
 5th Auckland & District

**Medley**

1st Canterbury Caledonian Society  
 2nd New Zealand Police  
 3rd Manawatu Scottish  
 4th City of Invercargill  
 Auckland & District

Judges: Robert Mathieson, L. Turnbull (piping);  
C. Meinsmith (ensemble); G. Bassani  
(drumming)

**MSR**

1st Canterbury Caledonian Society  
2nd Manawatu Scottish  
3rd New Zealand Police  
4th City of Invercargill  
4th Auckland & District  
Judges: Alistair Hanning, Brian Switalla (piping);  
Sam Young (ensemble); I. Mowatt (drumming)

**Grade 2**

**Overall**

1st St. Andrew's College  
2nd Celtic (Nelson)  
3rd South Canterbury  
4th Wellington Red Hackle

**Medley**

1st St. Andrew's College  
2nd Celtic (Nelson)  
3rd Wellington Red Hackle  
4th South Canterbury  
Judges: Robert Mathieson, L. Turnbull (piping);  
C. Meinsmith (ensemble); G. Bassani  
(drumming)

**MSR**

1st St. Andrew's College  
2nd Celtic (Nelson)  
3rd South Canterbury  
4th Wellington Red Hackle  
Judges: Alistair Hanning, Brian Switalla (piping);  
Sam Young (ensemble); I. Mowatt (drumming)

**Grade 3**

**Overall**

1st Scottish Society of New Zealand  
2nd Manawatu Scottish No2  
3rd City of Tauranga  
4th City of Hastings  
5th City of Auckland

**Grade 4A**

**Overall**

1st Hamilton Caledonian  
2nd St. Andrew's College  
3rd Scots College  
4th Canterbury Caledonian (Gr4)  
5th Hokonui Celtic

**Grade 4B**

**Overall**

1st City of Invercargill

2nd Celtic Development  
3rd Marton & District  
4th City of Rotorua  
5th Papakura

**Duncan Johnstone Memorial Contest - Piping  
Centre - Galsgow - 18 March**

**B-Grade**

**Overall**

Cameron MacDougall

**Piobaireachd**

1st Cameron MacDougall  
2nd Sarah Muir  
3rd Ben Duncan  
4th Ross Cowan  
5th Steven Leask  
Judges: Andrew Frater, Alasdair Henderson

**MSR**

1st Callum Moffat  
2nd Connor Sinclair  
3rd Calum Watson  
4th Connor Jardine  
5th Calum Brown  
Judges: Ronnie McShannon, Tom Speirs

**C-Grade**

**Piobaireachd**

1st John Dew  
2nd Calum Brown  
3rd Ciaren Ross  
4th Dan Nevans  
5th John Cameron  
Judges: Andrew Frater, Alasdair Henderson

**MSR**

1st Matt Supranowicz  
2nd Dan Nevans  
3rd John Dew  
4th Charles MacDonald  
5th Scott Garden  
Judges: Glenn Brown, Colin MacLellan

**B/C Jig**

1st Connor Jardine  
2nd Cameron MacDougall  
3rd Scott Garden  
4th Lachie Dick  
5th Ross Cowan  
Judge: Ronnie McShannon  
The event is restricted to pipers graded B and C  
by the Competing Pipers Association

**Victorian Pipe Band Championships - Geelong - 19  
March**

**Grade 2**

1st Moorabbin City  
 2nd Hawthorn City  
 Drum Corps: Hawthorn City

**Grade 3**

1st Scotch College No 1  
 2nd City of Melbourne  
 3rd Victoria Scottish  
 Drum Corps: Victoria Scottish and Federation University

**Grade 4**

1st Haileybury College No 1  
 2nd Warrnambool No 1  
 3rd Golden City (Bendigo)  
 Drum Corps: Warrnambool No 1

**Grade 4 selection of marches**

1st Golden City (Bendigo)  
 2nd St Arnaud NSM  
 3rd Maryborough and District

**Juvenile**

1st Haileybury College No 1  
 2nd Scotch College No 1  
 3rd Haileybury College No 2  
 Drum Corps: Haileybury College No 1  
 Judges:Piping; David Telford and Tim McLeod (MSR/SOM), Brian Niven and Scott Nicholson (Medley and G4 SOM). Drumming; Andrew Womersley (MSR/SOM), Callum MacSween (Medley and G4 SOM). Ensemble; Natt Russell (MSR/SOM), Sam Young (Medley and G4 SOM).

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**The Smallpipers Group** - 1st Tuesday of the month at Milton. Contact Malcolm McLaren for meeting details - [mrmlaren@bigpond.com](mailto:mrmlaren@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/>

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

## *What's On (apart from the Society Program on page 2)*

Mar 26	BBC Contest (Bands)	Toowong - <a href="http://www.pipebandsqld.org">www.pipebandsqld.org</a> - contact Stevie Stanley sstanley@bbc.qld.edu.au
Apr 14,15	Maclean Contest (Bands & Solos)	Maclean, NSW - <a href="http://www.macleanhighlandgathering.com.au">www.macleanhighlandgathering.com.au</a> - 02 6645 2887
May 6	Redlands Contest (Bands)	Wellington Point - <a href="http://www.pipebandsqld.org">www.pipebandsqld.org</a>
May 20	Sunshine Coast Contest (Bands)	North Street, Yandina - <a href="http://www.pipebandsqld.org">www.pipebandsqld.org</a>
Jun 6	Ipswich Contest (Bands)	Bill Paterson Oval, Limestone Park, Ipswich - <a href="http://www.pipebandsqld.org">www.pipebandsqld.org</a>
Jul 15	Tartan Day	King George Square, Brisbane - <a href="http://www.aussie-scots.org.au">www.aussie-scots.org.au</a> 07 3359 8195
Sep 2	Scots PGC Contest (Bands & Solos)	Scots PGC Warwick - <a href="http://www.pipebandsqld.org">www.pipebandsqld.org</a>
Aug 11-12	Worlds Pipe Band Championships	Glasgow
Aug 23-24	Argyllshire Gathering	Oban
Aug 31 -		
Sep 1	Northern Meeting	Inverness
Sep 16	BBC (Solos)	Toowong - <a href="http://www.pipebandsqld.org">www.pipebandsqld.org</a>

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