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September Meeting



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International Piping Recital

The Walrus Bar - Regatta Hotel Toowong
Monday 18 September 2017 - 7pm start

A great solo contest was had at the Scots PGC Warwick on 2 September and that is to be followed up this coming weekend with the State Solo Championships at BBC, again followed by the Ipswich Thistle solo contest on 4 November.

In fact the coming week is a feast of solo piping, kicked off by the solo championships, incorporating our recital (see above) on Monday 18th at the Regatta Hotel and including the piping and drumming school at BBC on Monday and Tuesday.

The team of world class players here for this weekend then go on to Canberra for the following weekend and finally Christchurch the weekend after.

Also a reminder about our two featured competitions in October and November - the Julie Appleton-Seymour Memorial and the Jack McCandlish Memorial.

Thanks to Andrew Roach who has supplied the meeting notes for this edition of the newsletter as I was laid low with the flu that night. Always open for volunteers to write for the newsletter, including the meeting notes, so don't be afraid to put up your hand if you think you're a bit of a word-smith.

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August Meeting

Only a small turn out tonight for our Piobaireachd session at the Pipers Society in August, about 20. After a quick beer and a pie, we started off the night with a couple of tunes from Jim Cordell on a sweet sounding set of Lawries. He started with a few tune up tunes, and then took on his first ever attempt with **Catherine's Lament**. He loved playing it so much, he played it again with a few changes to the musical line. Very nice!

He was then followed by his son Ben, playing a nicely layed out **Wee Spree**. It was a good run through for the coming weekend's comp at Warwick.

Oliver Cordell then played us a nice march, **79th Farewell to Gibraltar**, and his slow air, **Leaving Lismore**. Again another good chance for a run through for Warwick. He has promised to have his piobaireachd off for the next time!

What's great to see is the return of more pipers to these evenings that have been missing for a few years, and Vaughn Parker was great to listen to on his very sweet Lawries. He played a few grounds for us, **James of the Isles**, the **Company's Lament** and finally **Lament for Kinloch Moidart No 1**. He blamed Maurie for his tunes, which was good banter with the crowd. He then played a lively MSR for us, **Kantara to El Arish, Maggie Cameron, Traditional** (Donald Macleod).

Big Tam McGirr then pulled out his new set of Peter Hendersons and gave us a few tune up tunes, until the pipes settled and then he gave us a few different variations of tunes to further settle the pipes, and warm the fingers up. Bagpipes were just starting settle nicely, and he paused to give us the story of his tune, **The Unjust Incarceration**, which was a great set for the night. A good bit of banter was provided to the piper as he described the variations. And after another few tune up lines, he provided a good rendition of a difficult tune on a good bagpipe.

Lawrence Nicol was next up, and for a warm up he gave us a MSR, **John MacDonald of Glencoe, Susan Macleod, & Alick C MacGregor**.

Because of this night, Lawrence forced himself to learn a piobaireachd being the **Macintosh's Lament**, which he learnt from a recording of Robin Sutherland from the 1970's.

Ross Campbell then gave us a story about Robin Sutherland. He was a school teacher from Launceston, who travelled to Scotland in 1972 to learn from Bob Brown. Unfortunately Bob died two weeks after returning from Australia, so in his place Bob Nicol and Jimmy MacIntosh then taught him for that period. He was very methodical with very good notes and passed these lesson on to his students freely, and taught Ross the Balmoral way!

After a quick break, Andrew provided the group with a copy of Ross Campbell's new manuscript with 41 piobaireachd. Each of the tunes are written in his unique style, with a great presentation of patterns in each of the tunes and the structure. The books are available with all the tunes recorded as well for teaching purposes. We even managed to sell a few copies on the night, special at \$50 a copy.

Ross then played a few tunes to allow his pipes settled down, as they haven't been played much in the past 20 weeks due to Ross's holiday. It didn't take long for them to lock in with the ground of **Catherine's Lament**, and then he was into his tune for the night, the **Marquis of Argyll Salute**. Very nicely played and showed the audience how it's done!

Last up for the night was Andrew Roach, who played his set of Robertsons, that had been tucked away since early in the year due to time on the band pipes over the past few months! He played a few different variations from the **Wee Spree, The Groat, Catherine's Lament**, and then played a nameless tune, **hi**

Calendar

Sep 18 - 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

Sep 10

Oct 1

Nov 5(Recital day)

Dec 3

Meetings normally in the Performing Arts Building

Harin dro a dro.

He returned his pipe just after the second variation and they held nicely then to the end.

Andrew gave the audience the run down on the next few weeks, Warwick this weekend, Victorian State solos the next weekend, then the Qld State Solos, and the International Recital Night on Monday 18th Sept at the Regatta Hotel.

Again we would like to thank BBC support group for providing the catering for the night, particularly Jayne & Peter Hulbert who had to hang around and listen to Piobaireachd all night, and the venue continues to be a fantastic outcome for the society. A big thanks to Stevie and Vaughan for making this available.

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

Sep 16 BBC (Solos)

Toowong - www.pipebandsqld.org

Nov 4 Ipswich Solos

Limestone Theatre Ipswich -
www.pipebandsqld.org

For latest details at any time go to www.pipebandsqld.org and click on Coming Events or call the QHPS Secretary on 07 3397 4512

QHPS Piobaireachd Group

Rochedale State High School, Priestdale Road

As custom our September meeting was put back to the 10th. to allow all to enjoy fathers' day celebrations so it was refreshing to welcome all to this meeting which commenced with Ross Campbell playing ***The Red Speckled Bull*** after which there was some discussion as to its structure.

Next to play was Bruce MacLeod whose chosen tune was ***The MacFarlanes' Gathering*** to be followed by David Mariner playing Lord Lovat's Lament .

During a morning break the date and details of our annual Recital Day was discussed owing to the Solo Competition at Ipswich being held on the day before our regular day – the result being to change to 19th November if the college hall could be acquired.

After morning we were to be pleased to hear ***The Gathering of the MacNabs*** played by Iain Bruce; a rarely heard tune on a finely tuned pipe.

Ross then brought forward the set tune ***Queen Elizabeth the Second's Salute*** .composed by Donald Macleod {being commissioned by the Piobaireachd Society to mark Her Majesty's Silver Jubilee in 1976.} The structure and flow of the tune being discussed well by the group to conclude the meeting

Our Next meeting is set for **SUNDAY 1st OCTOBER.**



CONTEST RESULTS

Festival Interceltique de Lorient - Brittany - 4-13 August

Nineteenth International Piobaireachd Competition

- 1 Andrew Carlisle, *Nameless Hiharin dro o dro*
 - 2 Alexis Meunier, *Lament for MacSwan of Roaig*
 - 3 Stuart Easton, *Roderick MacDonald's Salute*
 - 4 Ben McClamrock, *Hail to My Country*
 - 5 Ross Miller, *Tulloch Ard*
- Other competitors: Fred Morrison, Callum Moffat, Lincoln Hilton, Andrew Wilson, Scott Wallace

MacCrimmon Trophy

- 1 Fred Morrison
- 2 Andrew Carlisle
- 3 Cedric LeBozec
- 4 Stuart Easton
- 5 Lincoln Hilton
- 6 Graham Harris

Grade 1 Bagadou

- 1 Bagad Cap Caval
 - 2 Bagad Kemper
 - 3 Kevrenn Alre
 - 4 Bagad Vannes
 - 5 Bagad Ronsed Mor
- Piping judges: J Wilson, R Worrall

Argyllshire Gathering - Oban - 23,24 August

Highland Society of London Gold Medal

- 1st Craig Sutherland, *Lord Lovat's Lament*
 - 2nd Cameron Drummond, *MacDougall's Gathering*
 - 3rd Andrew Hayes, *Lord Lovat's Lament*
 - 4th Peter McCalister, *Nameless Dro a Dro*
 - 5th Bill Geddes
- Judges: Malcolm McRae, Ronnie McShannon, Stuart Shedden

Senior Piobaireachd

- 1st Glenn Brown, *Craigellachie*
- 2nd Ian K. MacDonald, *My Dearest on Earth*

3rd Roddy MacLeod, *Unjust Incarceration*

4th Angus MacColl, *Rory MacLoude's Lament*

5th Faye Henderson, *Prince's Salute*

Judges: Iain MacFadyen, Andrew Wright, Stuart Samson

Silver Medal

1st Cameron MacDougall, *The Reverend Norman MacLeod's Lament*

2nd Sarah Muir

3rd Xavier Boderiou

4th Stuart Easton

5th Mael Sicard Cras

Judges: Colin MacLellan, John Wilson, Bob Worrall

MacGregor Memorial

Piobaireachd

1st Lewis Russell

2nd Andrew Ferguson

3rd Rebecca Tierney

4th John Dew

Judges: Jimmy Bell, Patricia Henderson, Neil Mulvie.

Former Winners March, Strathspey & Reel

1st Jack Lee, *John MacDonald of Glencoe, Islay Ball, The Rookery*

2nd Finlay Johnston, *Hugh*

Alexander Low of Tiree, Cabar Feidh, Rejected Suitor

3rd Cameron Drummond,

Lochaber Gathering, P/M Hector MacLean, Miss Proud

4th Bruce Gandy, *Crags of Stirling, Cal. Soc. of London, Lochiel's Aw' tae France*

5th Iain Speirs, *Knightswood*

Ceilidh, Tulloch Castle, John MacKechnie

Judges: Ian Duncan, Willie Morrison, Robert Wallace

A-Grade

March

1st Alex Gandy

2nd Sean McKeown

3rd Ben McClamrock

4th Nick Hudson

5th Angus J. MacColl

6th Peter Hunt

Judges: Ian Duncan, Jack Taylor, John Wilson

Strathspey & Reel

1st Alex Gandy

2nd Andrew Hayes

3rd James P. Troy

4th Sarah Muir

5th Ben Duncan

6th Callum Beaumont

Judges: Patricia Henderson, Iain MacFadyen, Stuart Samson

B-Grade

March

1st Willie Rowe

2nd Matt Wilson

3rd Matt Pantaleoni

4th Cameron MacDougall

5th Euan Dewar

Judges: Colin Maclellan, Neil Mulvie, Andrew Wright

Strathspey & Reel

1st Conor Sinclair

2nd Stuart Easton

3rd Sandy Cameron

4th Steven Leask

5th Matt Wilson

Judges: Jimmy Bell, Ronnie McShannon, Bob Worrall

Premier & A-Grade Jigs

1st Gordon McCready

2nd Callum Beaumont

3rd Callum Moffat

4th Ben Duncan

5th John Angus Smith

Judges: Andrew Frater, Malcolm McRae, Willie Morrison

Cowal Highland Games - Dunoon - 25 August

Overall

Andrea Boyd

A-Grade

Piobaireachd

1st Stuart Easton

2nd Andrea Boyd

3rd Derek Midgle

4th Nick Hudson

5th Jori Chisholm

Judges: Alan Forbes, Andrew Wright

March

- 1st Darach Urquhart
- 2nd Alistair Lee
- 3rd Ben Duncan
- 4th Jori Chisholm
- 5th Nick Hudson
- Judges: Barry Donaldson, Willie Morrison

Strathspey & Reel

- 1st Andrew Lee
- 2nd Nick Hudson
- 3rd Andrea Boyd
- 4th Ben Duncan
- 5th Derek Midgley
- Judges: Walter Cowan, Ian McLellan

B-Grade

Piobaireachd

- 1st William Rowe
- 2nd Sarah Muir
- 3rd Ashley McMichael
- 4th Ben Duncan
- 5th Craig Martin
- Judges: Malcolm McRae, Bob Worrall

March

- 1st Craig Martin
- 2nd Ross Miller
- 3rd Callum Moffat
- 4th Caitlin MacDonald
- 5th Daniel McDermott

Strathspey & Reel

- 1st Callum Moffat
- 2nd Daniel McDermott
- 3rd William Rowe
- 4th Caitlin MacDonald
- 5th Bobby Durning

Lonach Gathering - 25 August

Piobaireachd

- 1 Eddie Gaul, *The Groat*
- 2 Calum Brown, *Desperate Battle*
- 3 Gordon Barclay
- 4 Duncan Watson
- 5 John MacDonald
- 6 Alan Clark
- Judges: Jimmy Hamilton, Archie Maclean, Jack Taylor

March

- 1 Eddie Gaul
- 2 Calum Brown
- 3 Alan Clark
- 4 Ross Shand
- 5 John MacDonald

6 Gwenael Dage
Strathspey and Reel

- 1 Calum Brown
- 2 John MacDonald
- 3 Eddie Gaul
- 4 Alan Clark
- 5 Ross Shand
- 6 Gordon Barclay
- Judges: Ian Duncan, Duncan Watson, Ronald Maclean.

Birnam Games - 25 August

Overall Best Piper

Jonathon Simpson

Piobaireachd

- 1st Jacob Dicker
- 2nd Ursa Beckford
- 3rd Ben McClamrock
- 4th Jonathon Simpson
- 5th Calum Wynd
- Judges: Robert Barnes, Gordon Clark

March

- 1st Jonathon Simpson
- 2nd Jonathan Greenlees
- 3rd James MacHattie
- 4th Andrew Lewis
- 5th Bobby Durning,
- Judge: Barry Donaldson

Strathspey & Reel

- 1st Jonathan Greenlees
- 2nd Jonathon Simpson
- 3rd Andrew Donlon
- 4th Jacob Dicker
- 5th Graham Mulholland
- Judge: Barry Donaldson

Jig

- 1st James MacHattie
- 2nd Bobby Durning
- 3rd Andrew Lewis
- 4th Jacob Dicker
- 5th Graham Mulholland
- Judge: Ronnie Clark

Glenurquhart Gaines - 25 August

Champion Piper

Matt Pantaleoni

Piobaireachd

- 1 Archie Drennan, *Battle of the Pass of Crieff*
- 2 Bruce MacDonald, *Roderick MacDonald's Salute*
- 3 Matt Pantaleoni, *Earl of*

Seaforth's Salute
4 Connor Kellett, *Too Long in this condition*

March

- 1 Matt Pantaleoni
- 2 Archie Drennan
- 3 Bruce MacDonald

Strathspey & Reel

- 1 Matt Pantaleoni
- 2 Connor Kellett
- 3 Bruce MacDonald

Jig

- 1 Matt Pantaleoni
- 2 Archie Drennan
- 3 Connor Kellett
- Senior judges: M McRae, R Wallace

Captain John A. MacLellan MBE Memorial Trust Piobaireachd Recital Competition - Waldorf Astoria Caledonian Hotel, Edinburgh - 27 August

Winner

Faye Henderson, *The Salute to the Succession (of Lord Carnock as Chief of Clan Nicolson)*
Other invited competitors
Finlay Johnston, *The Edinburgh Piobaireachd*
Willie McCallum, *A Welcome for Patrick Struan*
Iain Speirs, *Farewell to the Queen's Ferry*
Judge: Dr Angus MacDonald

Northern Meeting - Inverness - 31 August, 1 September

Northern Meeting Quaich - I best performance across the Premier and A-Grade events

Iain Speirs
This also gets him an invitation to the 2017 Glenfiddich Championship

Highland Society of London Gold Medal

1st Alasdair Henderson, *The King's Taxes*
2nd Cameron Drummond, *Lord Lovat's Lament*

3rd Jamie Forrester
 4th Gordon Bruce
 5th Gordon McCready,
 MacDougall's Gathering
 Judges: Dr. Angus MacDonald, Iain Morrison, Willie Morrison

Clasp

1st Iain Speirs, *Lament for Colin Roy MacKenzie*
 2nd Angus D. MacColl
 3rd Stuart Liddell
 4th Glenn Brown
 5th Bruce Gandy
 Judges: Stuart Shedden, Jack Taylor, John Wilson

A-Grade MSR

1st Ben Duncan, *Bonny Ann, Bob O' Fettercairn, Jackie Latin*
 2nd Alastair Lee, *Leaving Lunga, Caber Feidh, Rejected Suitor*
 3rd Glenn Brown, *P/M Sandy Spence, Top of Craigvenow, Blackberry Bush*
 4th Sara Muir, *Banks View, John Roy Stewart, Alick C MacGregor*
 5th Gordon McCready
 Judges: Walter Cowan, Robert Wallace, John Wilson

Silver Star Former Winners MSR

1st Cameron Drummond, *The Lochaber Gathering, The Glengarry Gathering, Caledonian Society of London, Shepherd's Crook, Mrs. MacPherson of Inveran, Miss Proud*
 2nd Stuart Liddell
 3rd Niall Stuart
 4th Iain Speirs
 5th Andrew Hayes
 Judges: Ian McLellan, Malcolm McRae, Stuart Samson

Premier & A-Grade Hornpipe & Jig

1st Angus D. MacColl
 2nd Stuart Liddell
 3rd Jenny Hazzard
 4th Ian K. MacDonald
 5th Sean McKeown
 Judge: Walter Cowan, Dr. Angus MacDonald, Iain MacFadyen,

Overall trophy in the B-Grade events

Stuart Easton

Silver Medal

1st Stuart Easton, *The Sword's Lament*
 2nd Andrew Donlon
 3rd Alex Gandy
 4th Jacob Dicker
 5th Sarah Muir
 Judges: Ian Duncan, Iain MacFadyen, Ronnie McShannon

B-Grade MSR

1st Steven Leask
 2nd Jonathon Simpson
 3rd Connor Sinclair
 4th Sandy Cameron
 5th Andrew Lee
 Judges: Ian Duncan, Ronnie McShannon, Iain Morrison

B-Grade Hornpipe & Jig

1st Sandy Cameron
 2nd Stuart Easton
 3rd Ursa Beckford
 4th Callum Watson
 5th Greig Wilson
 Judges: Ian McLellan, Robert Wallace

Scots PGC College - 2 September 2017

BANDS

Juvenile

1st Scots PGC A
 2nd Scots PGC B
 3rd Scots PGC C

Grade 4 Marches

1st Warwick Thistle (comments only)
 2nd Scots PGC B

Grade 4

1st Murrumba
 2nd Toowoomba
 3rd Scots PGC
 Drum Corps: Murrumba

Grade 3

1st Emmanuel Highlanders
 2nd Wynnum RSL
 3rd Murrumba
 Drum Corps: Emmanuel Highlanders
 Overall best dressed band
 Qld Irish Association

Open

1st Murrumba

Juvenile D/M

1st Aiden Ryan
 2nd Izaak Dove

3rd Hamish Naylor

Senior D/M

1st Dominic Andersen-Strudwick
 2nd Aiden Ryan
 3rd Izaak Dove

SOLOS

Piping

18 and Under Chanter
 1st Lucy Unwin
 2nd Astrid Harrison
 3rd Nicholas Jackson

12 and under 2 /4

1st Liam Docherty
 2nd Bruce Campbell
 3rd Benjamin Cordell

15 and under 2 /4 Heat 1

1st Abby Dalziel
 2nd Aidan Scott
 3rd Matthew Rutley

15 and under 2 /4 Heat 2

1st Austin Manchadi
 2nd Oliver Cordell
 3rd Christian Binggeli

15 and under 2 /4 Final

1st Aidan Scott
 2nd Matthew Rutley
 3rd Abby Dalziel

18 and under MSR

1st Austin Manchadi
 2nd Jordan Simmers
 3rd Abby Dalziel

18 and under Air Heat 1

1st Aidan Scott
 2nd Junsung Oh
 3rd Flynn Donaldson

18 and under Air Heat 2

1st Oliver Cordell
 2nd Christian Binggeli
 3rd Nic McGahan

18 and under Air Final

1st Oliver Cordell
 2nd Aidan Scott
 3rd Nic McGahan

Over 18 MSR

1st Robert Gibb
 2nd Emmett Conway
 3rd Mark McKenzie

18 and under Medley

1st Aidan Scott
 2nd Austin Manchadi
 3rd Matthew Rutley

Over 18 Medley

1st Emmett Conway
2nd Robert Gibb
3rd Vaughn Parker

15 and under Piobaireachd

1st Abby Dalziel
2nd Austin Manchadi
3rd Christopher McCosker

18 and Under Piobaireachd

1st Abby Dalziel
2nd Jordan Simmers
3rd Ewan McFarland

Over 18 Piobaireachd

1st Ross Campbell
2nd Robert Gibb
3rd Tom McGirr

Vet Air / March

1st Dugald MacFarlane
2nd Simon Shepherd
Vet Piobaireachd
1st Marlene McBean

Braemar Highland Gathering
- 2 September

Gold Medal Piobaireachd

1 Anna Kummerl w, *Lament for John Morrison, Assynt House*

2 Sandy Cameron, *Park Piob No2*
3 Ursa Beckford, *Lament for Donald Duaghal MacKay*
4 Dan Lyden, *Red Speckled Bull*
5 Ben Duncan, *Rory MacLoude's Lament*
6 Nick Hudson, *Lament for the Children*
Judges: M McRae, J Taylor, R Wallace

March

1 Ben Duncan
2 Sandy Cameron
3 Jonathan Greenlees
4 Anna Kummerl w
5 Kris Coyle
6 Jori Chisholm
Judges: Gordon Clark, Ian Duncan, Patricia Henderson

Strathspey & Reel

1 James McHattie
2 Ben Duncan
3 Kris Coyle
4 Nick Hudson
5 Ashley McMichael
6 Sandy Cameron
Judges: Gordon Clark, Ian Duncan, Patricia Henderson

Blairgowrie & Rattary Highland Games - 3 September

Overall

Greig Canning

Open

Piobaireachd (Open Piobaireachd Quaich)
1st James MacHattie
2nd Sandy Cameron
3rd Greig Canning
4th Ed McIlwhaine
Judge: Jack Taylor

March

1st Steven Leask
2nd Greig Canning
3rd Dan Lyden
4th Jonathon Simpson
Judges: Douglas Murray, Stuart Samson

Strathspey & Reel

1st Ross Miller
2nd Steven Leask
3rd Sarah Muir
4th Eddie Gaul
Judges: Douglas Murray, Stuart Samson

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RU Brown Piobaireachd Society of South Australia: www.rubrown.org.au or Craig Masson 08 8261 1119

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