

Queensland Highland Pipers' Society

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NOVEMBER MEETING

Monday 25th November
Regatta Hotel, Toowong

6.30pm - **ANNUAL MEETING**

7.00pm - **Jack McCandlish Trophy**
6/8 March Competition

The Piper of the Year awards
will also be announced and presented

Test Piece for the Jack McCandlish Trophy:

Senior: Two 4-parted 6/8 marches.

Junior: Four parts in 6/8 time comprising one or more tunes.

Entries by email to qhps@qhps.org or phone to 07 3397 4512 or before 7:00pm on the night

The Chairman has asked to make this an informal night so Hawaiian shirts are encouraged for competitors and attendees. A prize for best shirt will be awarded.

Admission: \$5

Another great event on our calendar with the Appleton-Seymour Memorial earlier this month and we finish with the 6/8s in our Jack McCandlish Memorial contest on Monday 25 November. This will also feature our Piper of the year awards recognising consistent effort and contest success during the year.

Our program for 2020 is still being finalised and will be advised as soon as we complete it.

Alex McConnell, Secretary



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Calendar

Nov 25 - Jack McCandlish Memorial - 6/8s - Juniors (4 parts) and Seniors (8 parts)

All meetings on Monday nights at Walrus Club, Regatta Hotel, Toowong except as specified.

Piobaireachd Group

Dec 1

All meetings on Sunday at 10am at Ipswich Pipe Band Hall except as specified

Julie Appleton-Seymour Memorial Contest September Competition



We had around 50 people at what was really our October event (but pushed into November because of clashes with other events). The surrounds of the dining hall at Emmanuel College at the University of Queensland were ideal for the contest.

This year the contest was focused on under 25 players but with the same format - an air, the Julie Appleton-Seymour hornpipe, and jigs.

Andrew Roach introduced our judges.

Chris Cloete started his pipe band career in South Africa as a snare drummer at 13yrs old, and shifted to the pipes when he was 17yrs old, so has been piping for just over 25 years now. He moved to New Zealand in 2002 and spent some years playing with the Auckland and District Pipe Band, and followed that with two seasons with The Scottish Power Pipe Band in Glasgow. He is now a resident of the Gold Coast for the past ten years, and has enjoyed a couple of seasons with the Queensland Highlanders Pipe Band. Chris is known for his many aspects of musical performing and composing, being very proficient at multiple instruments.

Chris Gray is from Lockerbie, Scotland and is a multi-instrumentalist and composer who plays piano, highland & border pipes and whistles. He recently graduated with a First-Class Honours BMus degree in Traditional Music from the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland. In July 2019 he graduated from the Masters in Traditional Music program with piano as his main study where he was awarded a scholarship from the Keepers of the Quaich. Chris spent one Semester of his Master's studies at the Royal College of Music in Stockholm, Sweden. He has played with Inveraray & Districts Pipe Band since 2012, winning many Major Championships including the Worlds in 2017 & 2019.



Before we started, we had a demonstration of a hornpipe by two dancers, with Andrew Roach piping.

The competitors and their tunes (apart from the hornpipe that they all played) were as follows (apologies for any omissions or errors)

Aidan Scott - *Macneil's Farewell to Barra, Alan Macpherson of Mossspark, Brae Riach.*

Aidan has won a number of C grade championships this year.

Aaron Gray - *Samantha's Lullaby, John Paterson's Mare.*

Aaron is currently Pipe Major of Mackay Pipe Band.

Laurie Nicol - *The Dark Island, Old Wife of the Mill Dust.* Laurie plays with the BBC Old Collegians.

Fearghas Russell - *Mairi Bahn Og, Fraser Allison's Jig, Rakes of Kildare.*

Fearghas plays with St Andrews and is now playing the pipes that belonged to Jock Ketchion.

Tom Hulbert - *Tommy Tully's Air, Butterfingers.* Tom plays with St Andrews

Rebecca Capon - *Sarah's Song, The Gold Ring.* Rebecca plays with Emmanuel College Highlanders and is the recent recipient of the Pipe Bands Australia Peter Cook Memorial Scholarship.

Abbas Manchadi - *Ananda na Gael, Isla's Charms, St Ninians Parish Church.*

Abbas plays for Brisbane Boys College

Cameron Appleton Seymour - *Air for the Smallpipe, Dinna Watt, Braes of Mellinish.*

Cameron plays with St Andrews and is the grandson of Julie Appleton-Seymour

Lachlan McPhee - *My Home, John Patterson's Mare.*

Lachie plays with the BBC Old Collegians and has recently returned to solo competitions.



The competitors: Aidan Scott, Aaron Gray, Laurie Nicol, Fearghas Russell, Cameron Appleton-Seymour, Rebecca Capon, Abbas Manchadi, Tom Hulbert, Lachlan McPhee

Andrew Roach gave a brief summary of each player's background and achievements before they played.

After the judges had deliberated, the results were:

- 1st Abbas Manchadi
- 2nd Lachlan McPhee
- 3rd Aaron Gray

The prizes were presented by Byron Seymour and a number of other members of the family were present.

Andrew Roach expressed our thanks to the Appleton Seymour family for their continuing generous sponsorship of the event and also acknowledged the role of Donald Galloway in liaising with the College.

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
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OTHER PIPING SOCIETIES

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

Victorian Pipers Association: <http://www.vicpipers.org/>

Canberra Pipers Society - contact Sean Hodgman 02 6282 2795

West Australian Piper's Society - contact Aiton Sheppard 0417 097 687 or email shepap@bigpond.com

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

CONTEST RESULTS

The final catch up of results from the year together with a couple of new ones at the end:

Glengarry Highland Games - Maxville, Ontario - 2 August

Bar to the Gold Medal

1st Jack Lee, *The Daughter's Lament*
 2nd Derek Midgley, *Donald Gruamach's March*
 3rd Bruce Gandy, *The Bells of Perth*
 Judges: Colin MacLellan, Jim McGillivray, Bob Worrall
 Other competitors: Andrea Boyd, *Scarce of Fishing*; Brad Davidson, *Scarce of Fishing*; Jacob Dicker, *Lament for the Union*; Andrew Hayes, *Lament for John MacDonald, Inverness*; Nick Hudson, *The Edinburgh Piobaireachd*; Ian K. MacDonald, *The Daughter's Lament*; James MacHattie, *The Finger Lock*; Andy Rogers, *Lament for the Union*

Piobaireachd Society Gold Medal (Canada)

1st Matt MacIsaac, *The Old Men of the Shells*
 2nd Bobby Durning, *The Rout of Glenfruin*
 3rd Ben McClamrock, *The Old Men of the Shells*
 4th Tyler Johnson, *The Blind Piper's Obstinacy*
 5th Tyler Bridge, *The Rout of Glenfruin*
 Judges: Colin MacLellan, Jim Stack, Bob Worrall.
 Other competitors: Aidan Bowen, *The End of the Great Bridge*; Alan Clark, *MacLeod of MacLeod's Lament*; Brendan Culver, *The End of the Great Bridge*; Teddy Krogh, *The Earl of Seaforth's Salute*; Dan Lyden, *Lachlan MacNeill Campbell of Kintarbert's Fancy*; Alastair Murray, *The Earl of Seaforth's Salute*; Dylan Whittemore, *The Blind Piper's Obstinacy*.

North American Pipe Band Championship - Maxville, Ontario - 3 August

Bands

Grade 1

Overall

1st City of Dunedin (combined ens.pref.)
 2nd 78th Fraser Highlanders
 3rd 78th Highlanders (Halifax Citadel)

Medley

1st City of Dunedin
 2nd 78th Fraser Highlanders
 3rd 78th Highlanders (Halifax Citadel)
 Bass Section: 78th Fraser Highlanders
 Judges: Jim McGillivray, Robert Mathieson (piping); Duncan Millar (drumming); Bob Worrall (ensemble)

MSR

1st 78th Fraser Highlanders
 2nd City of Dunedin
 3rd 78th Highlanders (Halifax Citadel)
 Bass Section: 78th Fraser Highlanders
 Judges: Lynda Mackay, Glenna Mackay-Johnstone (piping); Greg Dinsdale (drumming); Andrew Berthoff (ensemble)

Grade 2

Overall

1st Peel Regional Police
 2nd Worcester Kiltie
 3rd Toronto Police
 4th Ottawa Police Service
 5th New York Metro

Medley

1st Peel Regional Police
 2nd Worcester Kiltie
 3rd Toronto Police
 4th Ottawa Police Service
 5th Greater Midwest
 Bass Section: Peel Police
 Judges: Lynda Mackay, Glenna Mackay-Johnstone (piping); Greg Dinsdale (drumming); Andrew Berthoff (ensemble)

MSR

1st Peel Regional Police
 2nd Worcester Kiltie
 3rd Ottawa Police Service
 4th Toronto Police
 5th New York Metro
 Bass Section: Peel Police
 Judges: Jim McGillivray, Robert Mathieson (piping); Duncan Millar (drumming); Bob Worrall (ensemble)

Grade 3 (MSR)

1st Guelph
 2nd Fredericton Society of Saint Andrew
 3rd College of Piping
 4th 8 Wing
 5th Ottawa Highlanders
 Bass Section: Guelph
 Judges: Brian Williamson, Charlie MacDonald (piping); Hugh Cameron (drumming); Jim McGillivray (ensemble)

Professional Solos

Piping

A Piobaireachd

1st James MacHattie, *The Old Men of the Shells*
 2nd Zephan Knichel
 3rd Bobby Durning
 4th Glenn Walpole

5th Callum Harper
6th Andy Rogers
Judge: Jim McGillivray

B Piobaireachd

1st Tyler Johnson, *MacCrimmon's Sweetheart*
2nd Austin Diepenhorst, *The King's Taxes*
3rd Brad Davidson, *The MacDougalls' Gathering*
4th Dylan Whittamore, *The End of the Great Bridge*
5th Tyler Harris, *The Earl of Seaforth's Salute*
6th Mike Allegretti, *I Am Proud to Play a Pipe*
Judge: Andrew Berthoff

MSR

1st Bruce Gandy
2nd Callum Harper
3rd Ben McClamrock
4th Matt MacIsaac
5th Andrea Boyd
6th Ian K. MacDonald
Judge: Robert Mathieson

March

1st Ian K. MacDonald
2nd Ben McClamrock
3rd Matt MacIsaac
4th Callum Harper
5th Dan Lyden
6th Andrea Boyd
Judge: Hector MacDonald

Strathspey & Reel

1st Matt MacIsaac
2nd Andrea Boyd
3rd Callum Harper
4th Ben McClamrock
5th Austin Diepenhorst
6th Glenn Walpole
Judge: Bob Worrall

Jigs

1st Matt MacIsaac
2nd Ian K. MacDonald
3rd Glenn Walpole
4th Zephan Knichele
5th Jacob Dicker
6th Andrea Boyd
Judge: Pete Aumonier

Newtonmore Games - 2 August**Overall**

Ben Duncan

Piobaireachd

1st Ben Duncan, *The MacDougalls' Gathering*
2nd Callum Wynd, *Lament for MacSwan of Roaig*
3rd William Geddes, *The Earl of Seaforth's Salute*
4th John McLaren
Judge: John Don Mackenzie

March

1st Ben Duncan
2nd John McLaren
3rd Chris McLeish

4th James Feeny

Strathspey & Reel

1st Ben Duncan
2nd John McLaren
3rd Andrew Ferguson
4th James Feeny

Jig

1st Ben Duncan
2nd Chris McLeish
3rd Anna Smart
4th Andrew Ferguson
Judges light music: Gordon Clark, Ronnie Clark.

North Berwick Games - 10 August**Grade 1 (medley)**

1st Peoples Ford Boghall & Bathgate Caledonia
2nd Police Scotland Fife
3rd 78th Fraser Highlanders
4th Canterbury Caledonian Society
Judges: Ken Eller, Gordon Lawrie (piping); Stuart Coils (drumming); David Brown (ensemble)

Grade 1 & 2 (MSR)

1st Peoples Ford Boghall & Bathgate Caledonia
2nd Police Scotland Fife
3rd St. Thomas Alumni
4th 78th Fraser Highlanders
5th Pipe Band Club
6th Canterbury Caledonian Society
7th Los Angeles Scots
8th North Stratton
9th Celtic (New Zealand)
10th Midlothian Scottish
Judges: Terry Lee, Bob Worrall (piping); B. Martin (drumming); Pail Turner (ensemble)

Grade 2

1st St. Thomas Alumni
2nd Pipe Band Club
3rd Royal Burgh of Annan
4th Los Angeles Scots
5th North Stratton
6th Peel Regional Police
7th Scottish Fire & Rescue Service
8th Celtic (Nelson)
9th Wallacestone
10th Midlothian Scottish
Judges: Terry Lee, Bob Worrall (piping); B. Martin (drumming); Pail Turner (ensemble)

P-M Alasdair Gillies Memorial
Recital Competition - Strathclyde
Suite of the Glasgow Royal
Concert Hall - 15 August

Winner

Callum Beaumont
Other competitors: Finlay Johnston, Stuart Liddell,

Angus MacColl

Each competitor plays for no more than 30 minutes, with tuning, and must include the ground of a piobaireachd and a competition-style MSR.

Captain John MacLellan Medal - Waldorf-Astoria Caledonia Hotel, Edinburgh - 24 August

Winner

Angus D. MacColl, *The Phantom Piper of Corrieyairick*

Each piper was given a piobaireachd composed by Captain MacLellan to play at an after-dinner recital

Other competitors: Glenn Brown, *The Edinburgh Piobaireachd*; Ben Duncan, *Salute to the Great Pipe* and Bruce Gandy, *For My Lass, Fair Pretty and Highland*.

Judge: Tom Speirs.

NSW Pipe Band Championships - Gosford - 2-3 November

Grade 2

1st The Pipeband Club

Grade 3

1st Northern Suburbs No 1

2nd St Mary's Band Club

3rd Governor Macquarie Memorial No 1

Grade 4A

1st Scots College A

2nd Knox Grammar No 1

3rd Sydney Thistle

4th Blacktown

5th Blue Mountains

Grade 4B Marches

1st Governor Macquarie Memorial No 3

2nd Presbyterian Ladies College

3rd Northern Suburbs No 2

Grade 4B

1st Scots College B

2nd Knox Grammar No 2

3rd Governor Macquarie Memorial No 2

Juvenile A

1st Knox Grammar No 1

2nd Scots College A

Juvenile B

1st Knox Grammar No 2

2nd Scots College B

3rd Governor Macquarie Memorial

Judges

Piping: June McLeish, Gary Barker, Tom McGirr, Scott Nicholson

Drumming: Nick McLeod, Callum MacSween

Ensemble: Rob Bennett, Sam Young

NSW State Solos - Scots College Sydney - 16,17 November

Learner Practice Chanter

1st Poppy Middleton

2nd Catherine Sultana

3rd Ryan Cisera

Novice 2/4 March

1st Khoda Aoun

2nd Kiarra Aoun

D Grade

Air

1st Iona MacKenzie

2nd David Patterson

3rd Tiam-Li MacKenzie

2/4 March

1st Tiam-Li MacKenzie

2nd Ethan Chandler

3rd Seth Abood

C Grade

2/4 March

1st Joshua Mitchell

2nd Stirling Nasa

3rd Harley Jackson

Strathspey & Reel

1st John Irvine

2nd James Freeman

3rd Joshua Mitchell

B Grade

2/4 March

1st Aiden Bestwick

2nd Sam Creed

3rd Bede Patterson

Strathspey & Reel

1st Aiden Bestwick

2nd Sam Creed

3rd Bede Patterson

Hornpipe & Jig

1st Sam Creed

2nd Bede Patterson

3rd Aiden Bestwick

A Grade

March, Strathspey & Reel

1st Martin Frewen

2nd Aiden Bestwick

3rd Tam McGirr

Hornpipe & Jig

1st Chris Gray

2nd Martin Frewen

3rd Bede Patterson

Piobaireachd**A Grade**

1st Martin Frewen
2nd Dennis Browning
3rd Chris Gray

B Grade

1st Aiden Bestwick
2nd Sam Creed
3rd Bede Patterson

C Grade

1st Ben Guiney
2nd Max Evans
3rd Kim Ticehurst

D Grade Uirlar

1st Tom Guiney
2nd Guy Guiney
3rd Tiam-Li MacKenzie

Overall**D Grade**

Tiam-Li MacKenzie

C Grade

Joshua Mitchell

B Grade

Aiden Bestwick

A Grade

Martin Frewen

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

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4 Apr 2020 Australian Pipe Band Championships - Princes Park Maryborough Victoria

Coming Soon - Full Queensland Band and Slo Contest program for 2020 - watch for the next Newsletter