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RESULTS OF THE B.C. PIPERS' 49TH ANNUAL GATHERING

EVENT #1 JUNIOR PIOBAIREACHD

1. Cameron Alakija
2. David Hilder

EVENT #2 JUNIOR MARCH

1. Elizabeth MacKinnon
2. David Hilder
3. Sandy Miller

Gordon Sinclair Memorial
Trophy - Cameron Alakija

EVENT #3 JR. STRATH/REEL

1. Barbara MacKinnon
2. David Hilder
3. Elizabeth MacKinnon

Aggregate Events 1, 2, & 3
Roderick F. MacRae Trophy -
David Hilder, Courtenay

EVENT #4 NOVICE MARCH

1. Robert MacLeod
2. Bruce Woodley
3. Karen Mark
4. Malcolm Bokenfohr

EVENT #5 NOVICE STRATH/REEL

1. Malcolm Bokenfohr
2. John Miller
3. William J. McDowall
4. Bruce Woodley

Glasgow & District Assoc.
Trophy - Malcolm Bokenfohr

EVENT #6 JUVENILE MARCH

1. Tracy Charette
2. Moira Lee
3. Jill MacKinnon
4. Donald Perkins

EVENT #7 JUVENILE STRATH/REEL

1. Moira Lee
2. Roy Alakija
3. Jill MacKinnon
4. Eric Mornin

Events 6&7 Malcolm Nicholson
Trophy - Moira Lee

EVENT #8 AMATEUR PIOB.

1. Pauline Alakija
2. Coroy Tillyer
3. Patrick Branniff
4. Andrew Bonar

Caber Feidh Trophy -
Pauline Alakija - Penticton

EVENT #9 AMATEUR MSR

1. Robert Rife
2. Pauline Alakija
3. Andrew Bonar
4. Murdoch McAllister

Duncan Watson Memorial Trophy -
Robert Rife - Calgary

EVENT #10 AMATEUR JIGS

1. Pauline Alakija
2. Sharon MacKinnon
3. Robert Rife
4. Patrick Branniff

Events 8, 9, 10 Nicholson
Trophy - Pauline Alakija -
Penticton

EVENT #11 JUNIOR QUARTETTES

1. Maple Ridge Legion

Mrs. Walter Douglas Trophy -
Maple Ridge Legion

EVENT #13 PROFESSIONAL
PIOBAIREACHD

1. Terry Lee
2. Jack Lee
3. Hal Senyk
4. Peter Aumonier

MacCrimmon Memorial Trophy -
Terry Lee

EVENT #14 PROFESSIONAL MSR

1. Jack Lee
2. Terry Lee
3. Allison Palmer
4. Bruce Gandy

Duncan MacInnis Memorial
Trophy - Jack Lee

MORE RESULTS FROM THE 49TH GATHERING

EVENT #15 PROFESSIONAL JIGS

1. Jack Lee
2. Bruce Gandy
3. Kelly Todd

The Donald MacDonald Memorial Trophy - Jack Lee

Events 13, 14, & 15 The Mary MacLeod Collins Trophy -
Jack Lee

EVENT #16 GRADE THREE MINI BANDS

1. Maple Ridge Legion

EVENT #17 GRADE TWO MINI BANDS

1. Vancouver Ladies
2. Washington Scottish

EVENT #18 GRADE ONE MINI BANDS

1. Triumph Street
2. Simon Fraser University
3. City of Victoria

City of Port Moody Pipe Band Trophy - Band
Triumph Street

Triumph Street Pipe Band Trophy - Drumming
Triumph Street

MacIver Memorial Trophy - Highest points in all events
Pauline Alakija and Jack Lee

Roderick MacLeod Memorial Trophy - most promising piper
Bruce Woodley

AGGREGATE WINNERS

NOVICE - Wm. Ross Collection of Music - Malcolm Bokenfohr

JUVENILE - Practice chanter with shield - Moira Lee

JUNIOR - Kilberry Piobaireachd Collection - David Hilder

SENIOR AMATEUR - Piobaireachd Society Collection -
Pauline Alakija

PROFESSIONAL - Trip to Scotland - Jack Lee

OBITUARY

The B.C. Pipers' Association deeply regrets the passing of Patrick McIntyre of Edmonton. Patrick was known to many of the Association's members as a fine player of both light music and piobaireachd, as well as a melodic composer. His contribution to piping in western Canada and United States will always be remembered by those who he taught at piping schools or privately, and by those who had an opportunity to hear his gifted playing.

FOR SALE

ONE full size set of Scottish Bagpipes, with Henderson drones - silver and ivory ornamentation - water trap installed - sound bag - recent appraised value \$3200 (replacement cost) - Contact DAVE ZIMICH
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WHITE SPOT BAND is looking for new members. Contact TERRY LEE at 936-8548

WHITE HEATHER CONCERT

The Spring concert will be presented on Friday, May 1st, in the Orpheum Theatre and will headline one of Scotland's top tenors, Mr. Kenneth MacKellar, and a full supporting cast.

Tickets are priced at \$8.50, \$7.50, and \$6.50 and may be purchased at the Vancouver Ticket Centre, 630 Hamilton Street, or any of their outlets.

This year, we are offering a reduced rate on blocks of Twenty (20) or more tickets. For further information contact: Julia Switzer, Marquee Attractions by phoning 683-3944

April, 1981.

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We have a large supply of Airtight Bagpipe Seasoning, a most essential item for the Piper at \$5.00 per tin. In quantities of 10 tins or more the price is \$4.75 per tin.

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We are specialists in outfitting Pipe Bands, and individuals in Highland Dress of distinction. Come in and see our large selection of dress Sporrans, day wear Sporrans, Skein dubhs, hand knit cable stitched kilt hose, ribbed knit kilt hose.

The GAELIC SHOP has a good supply of tenor sticks, bass malletts, and the new large bass mallett in stock. We also have Drum Major's supplies in stock, gauntlets, mace, etc.

For the Highland Dancer or Individual Piper in your family, the GAELIC SHOP has a selection of Tartan material just arrived from our supplier. We also will be carrying tartan material for the Highland Dancer's national outfits.

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PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL HIGHLAND GAMES ASSOCIATION

DELEGATE'S REPORT FROM MARCH 28, 1981

The March meeting took place in Vancouver, B.C. Proceedings began at 11:00 a.m. with nine delegates present; 3 from Nanaimo, 3 from Vancouver, 2 from Seattle, and 1 from Portland.

There was a brief surge of earnest discussion at the opening when Nanaimo delegates announced cancellation of their Highland Games for this year. Using their traditional Games date places them at a disadvantage to attract spectators as they have to compete with the now famous Bath Tub Races and the activities associated with them. No other usable date seemed to suit them so Nanaimo Games are cancelled.

It was noted that solo pipers would like to have a close approximation of their competing times made available. This is to avoid being on the field at an early hour and waiting a major portion of the day for competition to take place. I reported the criticisms that Portland Games solo piping platforms were too close to one another to conduct a proper non-interfered with piping performance. I also asked that each games committee send the piping results to the B.C. Pipers' Association.

The Western Pipe Band Association delegate, Albert Duncan, announced a new category for pipe band contests. This will be known as a Grade 4 band contest and will be introduced at the Port Coquitlam Pipe Band Contest on May 31st. The Western Pipe Band Association may sponsor a Grade 4 band contest at the B.C. Highland Dancing Association Games on July 4th. The Western Pipe Band Association is compiling an acceptable list of Pipe Band Judges and this should be ready by the end of April.

It was announced that assistance by the Association in running field events will be offered to all games committees plus use of their equipment. Dave Rickard of Seattle is the Pacific International Highland Games Association's Heavy Events Chairman and is very keen to see Heavy Events take a major step forward.

Suas leis a'Phioib Mhoir,

A.M. Reid

RESULTS OF THE APRIL 3RD KNOCKOUT

The final knockout was in the form of a céilidh and produced some excellent piping, with Rob Menzies and Terry Lee competing. Terry Lee was announced the winner. The judges were: Alex Young, John MacLeod, and Bob MacDonald. Clan MacFarlane Pipe Band and the Ontario Pipers and Pipe Band Society awarded the winner a trip to the Bill Livingstone Senior Invitational Competition at Hamilton on May 3rd. Entertainment was provided by the Vancouver Ladies Pipe Band, Simon Fraser Quartette, and the Triumph Street Quartette.

MINI GATHERINGS

Once again we have had an extremely successful Mini Gathering season. The introduction of Juvenile Piobaireachd to the Mini Gathering format proved to be an outstanding event. The class had twelve competitors and the quality of play was of a high standard.

Giving presentations this season on various aspects of the bagpipe were Jack Lee and James Watt. We are most fortunate to have such people of high calibre in our area who are so willing to share their knowledge and expertise. We would like to thank the competitors, parents, teachers, judges and all those who helped throughout the year. A special thanks to all those out-of-town competitors whose effort to attend the Gatherings is greatly appreciated by the Committee.

The judges for the 1980/81 season were:

October: Graham Davidson, Terry Leonard, Donald MacMillan,
Alison Palmer, Hal Senyk

November: Peter Aumonier, Rob Barrick, James Watt

January: Jim Hardie, Jill Laurie, Rori McBlaine,
Drew Noot

February: Peter Aumonier, Colin Cameron, Dave Hennigan,
Jack Lee, Jim Stewart

The results of the aggregate winners for the 1980-81 Mini Gatherings are:

Chanter: 1. Karon Mark
2. Bonnie McKain
3. Jason Robertson

Novice: 1. Bruce Woodley
2. John Miller
3. Geoff Harris

Juvenile 1. Roy Alakija
2. Donald Gordon
3. Moira Lee, Brian Goldie, Cindy Williams

MINI GATHERING RESULTS CONTINUED

Junior: 1. David Hilder
2. Cameron Alakija
3. Sandy Miller, Elizabeth MacKinnon

Senior Amateur: 1. Pauline Alakija
2. Moira Waddell
3. Darlene Maharija

Committee: Duncan Fraser, Jim MacDonald, Donald MacMillan
Jim Stewart

WESTERN ACADEMY OF PIPE MUSIC

SUMMER SCHOOL 1981

DATE: August 9 - August 23 (2 weeks)

LOCATION: Pioneer Chahalis Camp, Hemlock Valley, B.C.

STAFF: Will include Willie Connell of London, Ontario,
former Gold Medalist, Inverness, Scotland

DRUMMING SCHOOL is under the direction of David Bruce and
will be held during the second week, August 16 - 23

The World Class Piobaireachd Competition held in previous
years, will not be held this year. However, the Open
Amateur MSR for the beautiful SEAFORTH TROPHY will take
place at the school site on SUNDAY AUGUST 23 beginning
at 1300 hours.

Further detailed information will appear in a later issue
of the newsletter.

Those interested in attending should contact the
Secretary at Box 35223, Station E

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