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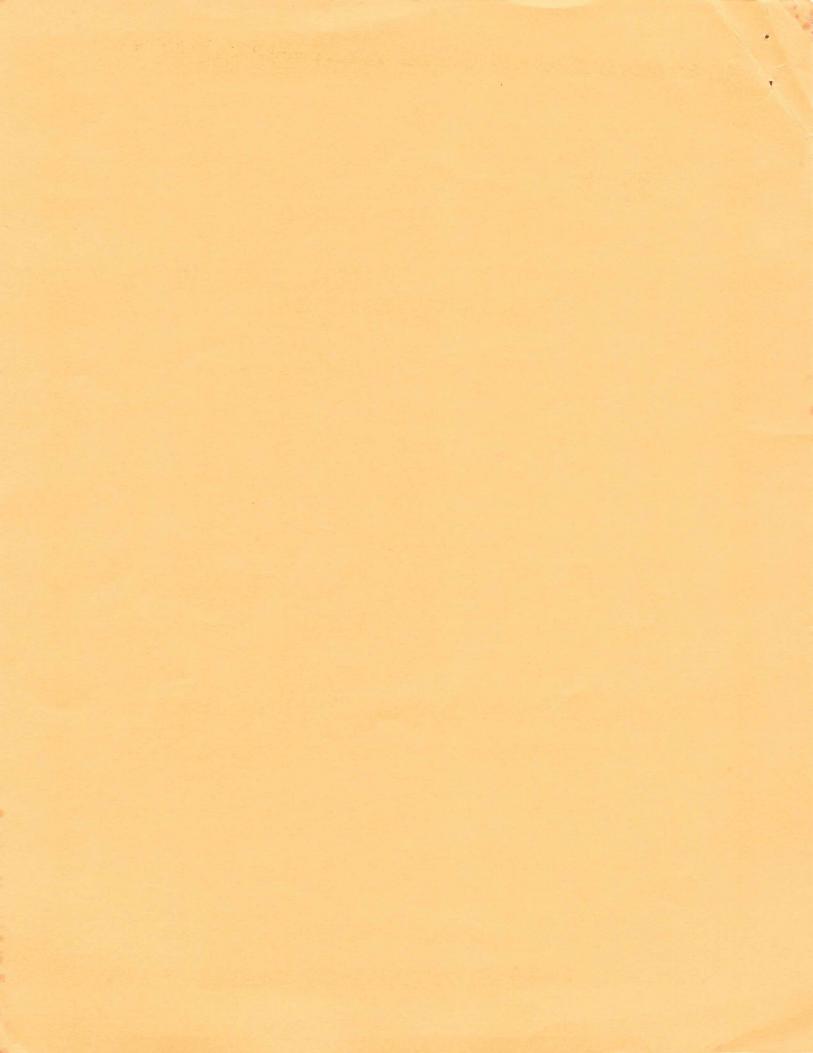
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FROM OUR READERS

Surrey Hills. Victoria, Australia

I thought you and some of the members would be interested in hearing of piping news from "Down Under".

AUSTRALIAN PIPE BAND CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS

GRADE ONE 1. Hawthorn City P.B. 2. St. Mary's P.B.

Queensland Irish Ass.1. 4. City of Wellington 5. City of Auckland

GRADE TWO 1. Blacktown RSL 2. Queens Iresh Assoc. 2

> Royal Caledonian Society of Adelaide 3.

4. Bendigo Club 5. South Perth

GRADE 1. Ballantyne Scotch 2. Q'land Irish Ass. 3

3. Bendigo Highland 4. City of Nuna No. 2

5. City of Springvale

JUVENILE 1. Scots School Bathurst 2. Warrnambool

> 3. Haileybury College

The events (April 10/11) were held quite close to where we live and we were blessed with good weather, as a matter of fact it was a little too hot on the Saturday, around 28 C. Sunday it was 24 C. No one could complain at that could they? It was a beautiful day on Monday for the "Pipers ' Club of Victoria" solo piping contest which is a separate entity.

The overall winners and Australian Champions were the City of Hawthorn Pipe Band, a local band from here in the Melbourne area. The top solo piper was Ross Campbell, one-time Pipe Major of the City of Hawthorn, he retained the Australian Championship which he won last year.

SOLO PIPING RESULTS

1. Ross Campbell

2. Wendy Cameron

3. Iain MacPhee

Doug Thorenson MARCH

Lament for the Children Lament for Donald of Laggan

Battle of Auldearn No. 2 Lament for Mary MacLeod

1. Frank MacKinnon 2. Ross Hanning 3. Doug Thorenson Ross Campbell

STRATHSPEY AND REEL

Alistair Hanning 2. Ross Campbell 3. Frank Mac Kinnon 4. Ross Hanning HORNPIPE AND JIG

1. Doug Thorenson 2. Ross Campbell 3. Frank MacKinnon John MacIver

Met John MacKenzie. He used to be with Powell River. Many of the older members will remember him.

> Sincerely, Jim Kirk

RESULTS OF THE W.P.B.A. PIPE BAND CONTEST, MAY 30th, 1982

| GRADE ONE il or bluot was door orb to | 1. | SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY P.B. TRIUMPH STREET PIPE BAND |
|--|----------------|--|
| GRADE TWO | 2. | SEATTLE PIPE BAND VANCOUVER LADIES PORT COQUITLAM LEGION |
| GRADE THREE | | MAPLE RIDGE LEGION SOUTH BURNABY LEGION |
| GRADE FOUR | | CHILLIWACK LEGION MIAAION LEGION |
| JUVENILE SALES SAL | 1. 2. 3. | RICHMOND JUNIOR KISIMUL CASTLE WHITE SPOT |

REMINDER

THERE ARE STILL A NUMBER OF MEMBERS WHO HAVE NOT PAID THEIR 1982 DUES. PLEASE SEND YOUR PAYMENT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO:

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B.C. SCOTTISH FESTIVAL GAMES RESULTS, JUNE 27th, 1982

PROFESSIONAL MARCH STRATHSPEY AND REEL

1. Rob Menzies 2. Bruce Gandy 3. Steve Geddes

4. Robert Rife

PROFESSIONAL JIG

1. Bruce Gandy 2. Steve Geddes 3. Rob Menzies

Alison Palmer

PROFESSIONAL PIOBAIREACHD

1. Pete Amonier 2. Jamie Troy 3. Bill Hawes

SENIOR MARCH STRATHSPEY AND REEL

Murdoch MacAllister 2. Andrew Bonar 3. David Hilder 4. Darleen Miharija

SENIOR JIG

1. Murdoch MacAllister 2. Gordon Pollock 3. Charlene Ogilvie

SENIOR PIOBAIREACHD

1. Corey Tillyer 2. Andrew Bonar 3. Brenda Louden

4. Elizabeth MacKinnon

SENIOR AGGREGATE - Murdoch MacAllister

JUNIOR MARCH

1. Moira Lee 2. Brian Goldie 3. Barbara MacKinnon

JUNIOR STRATHSPEY AND REEL

1. Sandy Miller 2. Barbara MacKinnon 3. Donald Gordon 4. Sandy Thacken

JUNIOR JIGS

1. Cindy Williams 2. John McKay 3. Don Perkins

JUNIOR AGGREGATE - Barbara MacKinnon

JUVENILE MARCH

1. Robert MacLeod 2. Malcolm Bokenfohr 3. Shaunna Stephen

JUVENILE STRATHSPEY AND REEL

1.

Shaunna Stephen 2. Bruce Woodley 3. Malcolm 1. Bokenfohr

JUVENILE AGGREGATE - Shaunna Stephen

NOVICE MARCH

Glenn Allen 2. Kevin Gray 3. Julie Main
 Roberta MacDonald

NOVICE SLOW AIR

Kevin Gray 2. Kelly Navid 3. Julie Main
 Rodnev Navid

NOVICE AGGREGATE - Kevin Gray

PROFESSIONAL DRUMMING

- 1. Maureen Murphy 2. Scott Robertson 3. Rob MacKendrick

 OPEN TENOR SLOW AIR TO JIG
- 1, Christine Rickson 2. Krista Spratt 3. Cal Wilson SENIOR DRUMMING MSR
- 1. Linda MacPherson

JUNIOR DRUMMING MER

- 1. Cameron Bokenfohr 2. Lisa Haatwedt 3. Rodney Navid
 NOVICE DRUMMING MARCH
- 1. Rick Miharija 2. Carrie Murdoff 3. Carl McDonald

NEW WESTMINSTER HIGHLAND GAMES RESULTS, JUNE 12/82

PROFESSIONAL MSR

- 1. Bruce Gandy 2. Pauline Alakija PROFESSIONAL JIGS
- 1. Pauline Alakija 2. Bruce Gandy PROFESSIONAL PIOBAIREACHD
- 1. Bruce Gandy 2. Pauline Alakija

AMATEUR MSR

Darleen Miharija
 Sharon MacKinnon
 Skye Richendrfer
 Elizabeth MacKinnon

AMATEUR JIGS

 Darleen Miharija 2. Patricia Miharija 3. Corey Tillyer 4. Elizabeth MacKinnon

AMATEUR PIOBAIREACHD

1. Skye Richendrfer 2. Brenda Louden 3. Darleen Miharija

JUNIOR PIOBAIREACHD

1. Cindy Williams 2. Sandy Miller 3. Brian Goldie

JUNIOR STRATHSPEY AND REEL

1. Cindy Williams 2. Don Perkins 3. Donald Gordon

JUNIOR MARCH

1. Sandy Miller 2. Cindy Williams 3. Moira Lee

JUVENILE STRATHSPEY AND REEL

1. Shaunna Stephens 2. John Miller 3. Malcolm Bokenfohr 4. Bruce Woodley

JUVENILE MARCH

 Bill MacDowall 2. Robert MacLeod 3. Shaunna Stephens 4. Chris Main

NOVICE STRATHSPEY AND REEL

- 1. Michelle Langston 2. Kevin Gray 3. Ken MacGillvray
- 4. Julie Main and Graeme Savage

NOVICE MARCH

 Kevin Gray 2. Ken MacGillvray 3. Michelle Langston 4. Heather MacDonald

NOVICE DRUMMING

- 1. Brad McNeil 2. Carol McDonald 3. Kelly Magnason
- 4. Tim Wadhams

JUNIOR DRUMMING

1. Cameron Bokenfohr

PROFESSIONAL DRUMMING

1. Steve Rickson

BAND COMPETITION

GRADE THREE

1. Maple Ridge Legion 2. Richmond Junior

JUVENILE

1. White Spot 2. Kisimul Castle 3. Vancouver Ladies Jr.

OBITUARIES

ROBERT LESLIE

I was saddened by the passing away, on June 5th, of a very good friend of mine, Bob Leslie. He was an active member of the B.C. Pipers Association. In his earlies years, he won many prizes as a professional piper.

He played with Spence's Remnants, the Irish Fusiliers, and many years with the Black Watch Permanent Force Pipe Band, and lately with Branch 83 Canadian Legion Pipe Band. He will be sadly missed by his family and friends.

George Allan

DONALD MACLEOD

How does one measure the contributions of a man like Donald MacLeod to the piping community? That is the question which first came to my mind when I learned of his death last week. Do you measure accomplishment by the prizes won in competition? Or perhaps musical composition is a better guage of contribution. Clearly, Mr. MacLeod excelled in both areas, but he was also a dedicated teacher. For me personally, that is the most important benchmark for comparison: what he did for others.

I was in my senior year of study at Macalester College in St. Paul, Minnesota trying to decide how to spend my last interim term (the month of January was set aside for pursuing special areas of interest). The thought occurred to me that it would be fun to go to Scotland, and perhaps find someone to study piping with. In In the course of thinking about the great pipers in Scotland, I quickly arrived at the name of Donald MacLeod. The next problem was having him agree to teach me. I will never forget my apprehension when I called him. I was a nobody piper, he would never teach me, and even if he did, he would want some astronomical amount for private instruction. I obviously didn't know Donald MacLeod.

I introduced myself and told him what I desired. He responded that he really wasn't doing much teaching at the time. "Nice try," I thought. I pleaded for a second, and when he gave in, I nearly fell off the chair. "Now the clincher", I thought, as I asked what the charge for the instruction would be. "There will be no charge" he said, "anyone who would travel that distance is making a big commitment."

The ensuing time with Mr. MacLeod was truly some of the most enjoyable I have ever spent. He was a serious teacher, and expected accomplishment. At the same time, anecdotes and stories were a large part of his teachings. I shall never forget him pounding his hand on the Kilberry book after a remark I made regarding what I had read about how a certain tune should be played: "There are too many experts!" he exclaimed, "All that ever needs to be said is right there, in the music. I have no time for politics."

One of the last days of the month, four Gold Medalists stopped in to ask when they could next have lessons. The immensity of my experience with Mr. MacLeod suddenly became apparent. He had some of the truly great pipers coming requesting lessons, and yet he had time for someone he didn't know anything about. When it was time to leave and go back to the college, I thanked him, and mumbled something about what a fantastic experience he had allowed me to have. He sent me back with two original tunes, in his manuscript, and asked if I would be so kind as to make copies and return the manuscript.

There were no limits to this man's kindness, or willingness to help others. He may have won more clasps and
prizes than I could count, and written more classic
tunes than anyone, and perhaps have been one of the greatest
musicians of our time. To me, however, he shall remain an
enduring example of what teaching can be. I shall miss him.

Skye Richendrfer Mt. Vernon, WA

B.C. HIGHLAND GAMES RESULTS, JULY 3, 1982.

BAND RESULTS

GRADE ONE

- 1. Simon Fraser University Pipe Band
- 2. Triumph Street Pipe Band

GRADE TWO

- 1. Seattle Pipe Band
- 2. Port Coquitlam Legion Pipe Band
- 3. Vancouver Ladies Pipe Band

GRADE THREE

- 1. Richmond Junior Pipe Band
- 2. Clan Stewart Pipe Band

JUVENILE

- 1. Kisimul Castle Pipe Band
- 2. White Spot Pipe Band
- 3. Vancouver Ladies Junior Pipe Band

DRUMMING

PROFESSIONAL

1. Scott Robertson 2. Maureen Murphy 3. Robbie Collins

NOVICE

- 1. Rick Miharija 2. Carol MacDonald 3. Brad MacNeil
 - 4. Tim Wadhams

PIPING

PROFESSIONAL JIG

1. Jim Stewart 2. René Cusson 3. Alison Palmer

PROFESSIONAL MSR

1. Bruce Gandy 2. Alison Palmer 3. René Cusson

PROFESSIONAL PIOBAIREACHD

1. Bruce Gandy 2. Jim Stewart 3. Alison Palmer

AMATEUR PIOBAIREACHD

1. Brenda Lowden 2. Elizabeth MacKinnon 3. Sharon MacKinnon

AMATEUR JIGS

1. Murdock McAllister 2. Corey Tillyer 3. Andrew Bonar

AMATEUR MSR

1. Duncan Fraser 2. Andrew Bonar 3. Corey Tillyer

JUNIOR PIOBAIREACHD

1. Brian Goldie 2. Sandy Miller 3. Cindy Williams

JUNIOR STRATHSPEY AND REEL

 Donald Gordon 2. Cindy Williams 3. Barbara MacKinnon

JUNIOR MARCH

 Cindy Williams 2. Donald Gordon 3. Barbara MacKinnon

JUVENILE STRATHSPEY AND REEL

1. Robert MacLeod 2. Bruce Woodley 3. John Miller

JUVENILE MARCH

1. Bill MacDowall 2. John Miller 3. Robert MacLeod

NOVICE STRATHSPEY AND REEL

- 1. Glen Allen 2. Julie Main 3. Sandra Stark
- 4. Lesley MacKay

NOVICE MARCH

- 1. Sandra Stark 2. Stuart Forbes 3. Julie Main
- 4. John Cameron Ginn