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WHITE HEATHER SHOW

This Spring Show features Kenneth McKellar, still the finest singer ever to come out of Scotland, and he is ably supported by a top rated cast of artists.

These are all top names in the show biz world of Scotland, and should provide a most entertaining evening for all, so support your B.C. Pipers Association and turnout in force at the White Heather Show, 28th April, 1979, and have yourself a great time.

Tickets can be bought at the usual ticket outlets.

ANNUAL GATHERING TROPHIES

Anyone in possession of B.C. Pipers Trophies should return them as soon as possible to:

Mr. Bill Lamont
2256 East 40th Ave.

Vancouver Phone 327-7569

or

Mrs. Huige
6558 Balmoral St.
Burnaby

Phone 433-8865

The Scottish Festival & Tattoo will be held in Spokane, Wa. this year on July 28th, with individual piping and drumming competition to be held at the Spokane Riverfront Park and the evening band competition scheduled at the Coliseum. Further information and entries may be obtained by writing to: Dave Warner, N 5209 Fairmount Place, Spokane, WA 99208.

Obituary

Suddenly on Sunday March 4th, Ernie Topp passed away after quite a period of illness. This has been a grievous and trying time for the family as Mrs Peg Topp just passed away two weeks before Ernie.

Ernie was a long time member of the B.C. Pipers and also held the office of a Trustee for years until illness forced him to give it up. Both Peg and Ernie loved the Pipes, and regularly attended most of the Games in this area. It is a sad loss indeed to all who know them in the Association, and our Deepest sympathy goes out to their Son Bruce and Daughter Mrs. Bobbie McCabe.

The White Heather Concert

SAT. APR. 28th 8:30 p.m.
QUEEN ELIZABETH THEATRE

Starring
DIRECT FROM SCOTLAND

KENNETH McKELLAR

WITH:

Beautiful Soprano	LYDIA FLETT
Delightful Comedian	BILLY JEFFREY
Talented Accordionist	STUART ANDERSON
Always Popular Pianist	ALF FURNISH

TICKETS: \$7.50 \$6.50 \$5.50 — \$4.50 for OAP

VANCOUVER TICKET CENTRE — ALL EATONS STORES
INFO. CENTRES IN DENMAN PLACE, ROYAL CENTRE, RICHMOND
SQUARE, RICHMOND CENTRE, LOUGHEED MALL, CHAMPLAIN MALL.

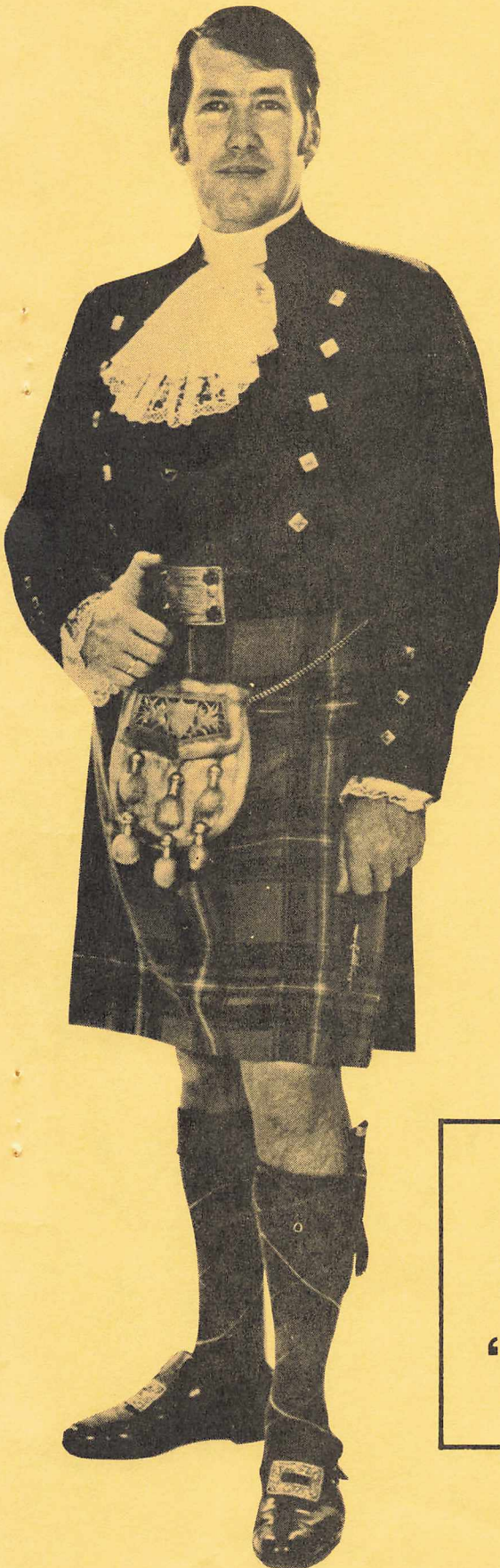
**STOP
PRESS!**

SPECIAL ADVANCE NOTICE

THE FALL VERSION OF
THE WHITE HEATHER CONCERT
SAT. SEPT. 29 - 8:30 p.m.

“THE ALEXANDER BROTHERS”

TICKETS ON SALE JUNE 15th, 1979



The Eighth Annual California Summer School

directed by Seumas MacNeill will be held at the
Robert Louis Stevenson School Del Monte, Pebble, from
August 3rd to 17th, 1979 Beach

(Please Note change of original dates)

Instructors include

John D. Burgess

Ronald Lawrie

LuAnne Alward and Mary Alward

Room and board at the school is about \$18.00 per day.

Tuition fee is \$125.00.

Instruction is given in all branches of piping,
including piobaireachd and pipe band work, from
beginners to professionals.

Students may sit for Institute of Piping certificates if
they wish.

Enquiries to: Charles B. MacGlashan, M.D.,
501 East Romie Lane,
Salinas, California, 93901
(408) 424-1966

WANTED

Set of Bagpipes for young beginner. Call Mr. F. Stephen
936-0315. Address is 1520 Charland Ave,
Coquitlam, B.C.
V3K 3L5

WANTED

Set of Bagpipes for young beginner. Call Mr W.J. Kirk
in Victoria at 595-1765. Address is 415-1830 Fern St.
Victoria, B.C.
V8R 4K3

PIPING RECITAL

by DUNCAN JOHNSTONE OF GLASGOW, to be held at the Scottish
Auditorium, 12th and Fir, on the 12th April. Doors open at 7:30,
Piping starts at 8:30. Tickets are on sale now. Ask any Board
Member.

Prices: Adults \$2.00, over 65 and under 18 years \$1.00.
Also free admittance to all those who had perfect attendance pins
at the Bi-Monthly competitions throughout the past season.

Duncan Johnstone as I mentioned before will be our premier
Judge for the 47th Annual Gathering being held at B.C.I.T Bby.

47th ANNUAL GATHERING

9 A.M. 13th & 14th APRIL, 1979, at B.C.I.T., Canada Way & Willingdon, Burnaby, B.C.

- Event #1 Junior Piobaireachd
- 2 Junior March
- 3 Junior Strathspey & Reel
- 4 Novice March
- 5 Juvenile March
- 6 Juvenile Strathspey & Reel
- 7 Amateur Piobaireachd
- 8 Amateur March, Strath & Reel
- 9 Amateur Jigs (Submit Two Jigs)
- 10 Junior Quartettes M-S-R
- 11 Senior Quartettes M-S-R
- 12 Junior Mini Bands 5 - 7 Minute Medley
- 13 Professional Piobaireachd (Submit Four Piob.)
- 14 Professional March, Strath & Reel (Submit Three Sets)
- 15 Professional Jigs (Submit 3 sets of 2 Jigs)
- 16 Senior Mini Bands 5 - 7 Minute Medley

Entry Fee: Amateur \$1.00 each event, Professional \$2.00 each event.
Senior Mini Bands \$10.00, Senior Quartettes \$5.00
Junior Mini Bands \$5.00.

Aggregate winner of Professional Class is to receive a Charter Flight to Scotland and to compete in one Major Competition in Scotland. Competitor must compete in all three events to qualify for trip to Scotland.

Entries to be in to Mr. Donald Ross, 834 Burnaby St, New Westminster, B.C. V3L 4V9, no later than March 31, 1979.

Please Enter Me in the following events-

NUMBERS _____

FOR WHICH I ENCLOSE THE FEE OF \$ _____

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____

CLASS _____

RULES

Individual, Quartettes and Band competitions.

Pipers not ready to play when called are LIABLE TO BE DISQUALIFIED.

A piper will be allowed to play in one quartette only.

Junior Bands will consist of Pipers & Drummers, 18 years of age and under on January 1st, of the current competition year.

Miniature Bands - 6 pipers; 2 sides; 1 bass drummer; and 1 tenor drummer. Bands will be penalized one twelfth (1/12) of total points for each player less than the required amount.

Each member must be a bona-fide member of this band for at least 14 days prior to the competition.

A piper or drummer will be allowed to play in one band only.

Any band not ready to play five (5) minutes after completion of the previous band will be deducted five(5) points.

Last to enter will be first to play. Order to play will be posted.

BAGPIPE MUSIC

Let me play you tunes without measure or end,
Tunes that are born to die without a herald,
As a flight of storks rises from a marsh, Circles
and alights on the spot from which it rose.

Hugh MacDiarmid
Gaelic Bard

General Meeting and Knockout 2 March, 1979

A good turn-out was on hand at the March General Meeting which was followed by the Knockout.

Playing were: Drew Noot vs Rob Menzies. Both gave very creditable performances with Drew emerging as the winner of that round. Following a suitable pause which gave those so inclined time to refresh themselves at the bar, there was an Open Slow Air and 6/8 March, which saw Jack Lee just getting the nod over Hal Senyk, with Drew Noot picking up third place.

All in all it was a very enjoyable night of piping.

The line up for April 6th is as follows: Drew Noot vs Donald MacMillan; Steve Geddes vs Angus McPherson; and Graham Davidson vs Jack Lee. This is the Semi-Final of the knockout and should really be a fine night of Piping.

Note: These Piping nights are for members or members guests only and are not open to the general public.

Monthly Amateur Competition - Aggregate Results

Chanter-1st. Malcolm Bokenfohr	Junior-1st. Gordon Pollock
-2nd. Fern Miller	2nd. Brenda Lowden
Novice -1st. Michael Reid	3rd. Brenda Barker
2nd. Tracy Lee Charette	} Tie
James McGrath	
Juvenile-1st. Darlene Miharija	Sen. Amat.-1st. Peter Aumonier
2nd. Charlene Ogilvie	2nd. Alison Palmer
3rd. Wesley Eaton	} Tie
Pat Miharija	
	3rd. Jack Eckersley

To all competitors:

On behalf of the B.C. Pipers Association I would like to thank all competitors, their teachers and Mums & Dads who attended the past seasons competitions, which by all reports was as much enjoyed by the judges and helpers as the audiences.

And not forgetting the prime purpose of these meetings which is to promote and upgrade the standard of piping in the younger classes. So here's wishing you all a very good summer games season and hope to see you back at the Scottish Auditorium in October.

A. Young
Editor

