

Warrnambool Pipe Band– Newsletter

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Solo Results & The Long Weekend Away!

University of Ballarat Pipe Band will run this months solo competition on the 18th.

At this competition there wasn't as many members from Warrnambool participating as in the past but congratulations to the members who went along.

Results as following:

C Grade

- 1st - Scott Turner
- 2nd - Robert Wilkinson
- 3rd - Laura Watson

B Grade

- 1st - Steve Anderson
- 2nd - Mark Plummer
- 3rd - Clint Morris
- 4th - Miranda Boath

A Grade

- 1st - Greg Lowe
- 2nd - Lincoln Hilton
- 3rd - Katherine Belcher

The next solo competition will be held at PLC in Melbourne on July 17th.

Portarlington Festival

On the Queen's Birthday long weekend June 11th - 13th, people gathered from near and far to the annual Celtic Music Festival in Portarlington to hear and play during the weekend events.

There were a few events where members from Warrnambool band played competed.

In the Drumming Solos, there were only three entries and the results are as following.

Open

- 1st - Dougal McConnell
- 2nd - Nick McLeod
- 3rd - Jarrod Watts

In the small group section

- 1st - Cool Bananas (Kyle and Lochie Moir)
- 2nd - Jack Brennan and friends
- 3rd - Geoff Jones and Sarah Wade

Solo - Highland Piping

- Equal 1st - Kyle Moir and Karl Heaney
- 3rd - Kenny Hyland

Solo - other Celtic

- 1st - Jack Brennan
- 2nd - Nick Martin
- 3rd - Geoff Jones

There was also a drum salute performed by the Pipe Band Club, plus guest drummers including our own Peter Moir.

Merran Moir also played in a few acts with the Celtic group.

By the sounds of it everyone had a very sociable and wonderful time over the weekend.

Nicola's Invitation Overseas Style!

Nicola Sharp was invited to go to Canada and compete with the Simon Fraser University Pipe Band organization. She left on June 17th and on June 25th competed in the BC Highland Games in Vancouver, Canada.

In the Solo competition Nicola played in the Grade

2 section March, Strathspey and Reel at the Percy Perry Stadium, Coquitlam, BC.

She placed 6th and won the Jig and Hornpipe section. Well done to Nicola, what an achievement!!!

There was also a full band competition.

Grade 3

- 1st - Robert Malcolm Memorial III
- 2nd - Northwest White Sport United
- 3rd - Greighlan Crossing Best Drum Corp - RMM III

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Cont. Nicola's Invitation, Richard Hawke's Honors

Grade 1

1st - Simon Fraser University
 2nd - Triumph Street Dowco
 3rd - Alberta Caledonia
 Best Drum Corp- Simon Fraser Uni

Good luck Nicola and the band hopes that you have a wonderful time and we are all looking forward to hearing more about your trip and experiences when you return.

Also Tim and Miranda McLeod have travelled to the SFU Summer Camp, we will be looking forward to hearing how it all goes.

Richard Hawke has been awarded the New Zealand Order of Merit for services to piping in the Queen's Birthday Honors.

"This was a totally unexpected honor and I was very humbled to even be considered for such a National Honor" said Hawke.

The Pipe Major of the Canterbury Caledonian Pipe Band and winner of the 2007 Highland Society of London's Gold Medal, at the Argyll shire Gathering, Hawke leads up the teaching program of the multiband Canterbury organization.

"This is not only an honor for me personally however fantastic recognition for piping and pipe bands by the greater community" Hawke said.

For more information on this article you can find on:

www.pipesdrum.com

International News - Results from Competitions

There have been a few competitions happening over the last month including the British Championships:

Shotts Competition Results - 4/6

Grade 1

1st - Inveraray and District
 2nd - The House of Edgar- Shotto's and Dykehead
 3rd - Lomond and Clyde
 Best Drum Corp - Shotts and Dykehead

Ayr Competition -18/6

Grade 1

1st - Inveraray and District
 2nd - Lotian and Borders Police
 Best Drum Corp - Inveraray and District

British Championship - 25/6

The British Championships was held once again at Annan. This is a three year deal with the Association. The ground was very wet due to heavy falls during the week so there was some re

- arranging of parking at the ground.

The results are as following:

Grade 1

1st - Field Marshall Montgomery
 2nd - St Laurence O'Toole
 3rd - Scottish Power
 4th - Boghall and Bathgate Caledonia
 5th - Strathclyde Police
 Best Drum Corp - St Laurence O'Toole

Up Coming Events

There are a few pipe band outings and playouts coming up and we would like you all to put the following dates in your dairies so you do not forget!

2011

17th July - PLC Solo Piping Competition

21st August - Terang Solo Piping Competition. Help will be required for the canteen & catering

28th August - Concert - Camperdown

9th Sept - Horsham Solo Drumming

11th Sept -VIC Championship Solo Piping

15th September - AGM Warrnambool Pipe Band 7.30pm All members and players invited to attend.

23rd October - Mini Bands and Piping/ Drumming Solos - Scotch College

3rd December - Daylesford competition.

Up Coming (Main) Competitions - International

July 30th - European Championships (Belfast, Northern Ireland)

Aug 6th—North Berwick

Aug 7th - Bridge of Allen

Aug 13th - World Championships (Glasgow Green)

Aug 14th - Perth

Aug 21st - Crieff

Aug 27th - Cowal Championship

Oct 22nd - World Drumming Solos

Photo Gallery



This photo was passed on from Alex Gannaway a member of the Warrnambool RSL. He was in France and came across the France Pipe Band warming up. Alex visited and attended several memorial sites as part of his trip.

Thankyou to Michael Bellamy for forwarding this on to me.

Halls Gap is now been Cancelled / Band Website Updated

The Halls Gap weekend (July 22nd - 24th) has now been cancelled. So if anyone else have any ideas for a social event, please let your tutor or committee member know.

There is now an updated Code of Conduct for the band. All members are advised to have a read of this.

Any question please contact Michael Bellamy or committee members.

Also there have been some up dates on the WADPADI website, especially in the members section.

Uniform Shop New Hours

Attention All Members!!!!

As you all know, the uniform room has been transformed with a huge clean out and now for the first time in the band history we are having times set so that our uniform lady can fit in some practice time.

So from now on the Uniform Shop will only be open between 7.30pm and 8.30pm on a Thursday night. You can make an appointment with Nannette Sharp.

Can all members also, please look in your cupboards for any extra uniform and equipment which you don't use or

have outgrown. The band are very short on the following: band jackets, pipe band covers.

If you have any information or photos that you would like to forward to me I will add them to future newsletters.

Thank you

Tanya Ross
Band Secretary