

PIPERS' AND PIPE BAND SOCIETY OF ONTARIO

NEWS FROM THE EXECUTIVE MEETING OF THE PPBSO HELD DECEMBER 10, 2005

PPPSBO AUDIT:

The audit of the PPBSO accounts has been completed for the years 2004, and 2005 which will enable the Society to apply for a Trillium Grant in the spring.

MERCHANDISE:

Watch for PPBSO logo wear to be shown on our website. The fleece jackets, t-shirts, vests, and hats will be available for order online and at the 2006 Highland Games.

GAMES NEGOTIATIONS

It is the season that games negotiations are underway - Past President Bob Allen, and Vice President Willie Connell will look after the games west of Milton, while President Ron Rollo and Treasurer John Allen will travel to negotiate the games east of Milton. Confirmation of dates and details should be in place by the end of January in order to have the Master Entry Form out in early March.

2006 FINANCIAL PLAN

The PPBSO executive will meet within the next month to put together our 2006 Financial Plan.

AGM/CEILIDH

In an effort to change the format of the evening honoring our Champion Supreme Solo and Band winners, a ceilidh was held this year rather than the usual Highland Ball. The sold out event, held in Milton, was a huge success thanks to the work of our Administrator, Sharon Duthart.

JUVENILE BAND

One of the amendments from the 2005 AGM was the creation of a Juvenile Band, which would be comprised of members under the age of 18, with the exception of the Pipe Major and Lead Stroke. The Music Board is now working out the details of such a band – more information will follow as soon as it is available.

BRANCH REBATES

The request to increase branch rebates was made at the 2005 AGM – the executive decided to keep the rebates at their present amount.