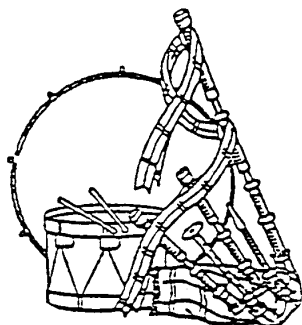


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The 30th anniversary season of the PPBSO Ottawa Branch has come to an end and by all measures it was an extremely successful year.

The surprise of the year was the very first knock-out contest in October, at which 33 pipers signed up to compete!! Our hats were off that night to our judge, Amy Garson, who cheerfully and patiently listened to all 33, writing her final score sheet at about 11:30 pm that evening. Now, we have to find a way to encourage a corresponding number of drummers to participate!

Our best turnout came at the January contest. With the Maj (Ret'd) Archie Cairns Cup, and recitals by Colin Clansey and Steve Lanning, the result was almost an overflow audience. What a great thing to see!

And, of course, the highlight of the year was the 30th anniversary dinner in April at the RCAF Officers Mess downtown Ottawa. It was a special night, and for those in attendance it will be one to remember.

What was especially encouraging was the growth we've seen in the Ottawa Branch area in the past year. The Kingston Pipefest has survived its first two years and looks to be well established now as an annual event on our calendar. The Almonte Indoor Games got off to a good start this year and fits in well between the Pipefest and Winchester. It, too, looks like it should have a healthy future. But most importantly, it's the establishment of two new juvenile bands, the City of Kingston and Sam Scott Memorial (Manotick), that bodes well for the future. A special congratulation goes out to all the volunteers who have spent the untold hours to successfully run these events, and develop these new pipe bands dedicated to the youths in our communities. This all requires a huge commitment in time and effort, and your tremendous support is very much appreciated.

To all, best of luck over the summer. Keep safe and we'll see everyone again the first Saturday in October.

UPCOMING SUMMER EVENTS

Kingston School of Scottish Music and Dance

Piping, Drumming and Dancing School

08-12 July 2002

Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario

Instructors: Bob Worrall, Ken Eller, Robert Crabtree, Tyler Fry,

Chris Bell, Ann Milne Armstrong, Sheila Milne

Contacts: swb1@post.queensu.ca, (613) 542-7287

Note: new this year, tenor drumming classes



Glengarry Highland Games have 72 pipe bands registered to compete 03 August 2002!!! Includes four-time world champion Simon Fraser University Pipe Band. Bigger and better than ever. Don't miss it!!



Ottawa Branch **Canadian Forces** Regular Force Pipe Band Moves Summer 2002

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| Leaving: | John (Ony) Langille | going from Royal Military College Kingston to CF School of Music CFB Borden |
| | Brad Ryckman | going from Royal Military College Kingston to 12 Wing Shearwater, Nova Scotia |
| Coming In: | Ian Ferguson | coming from CF School of Music CFB Borden to Air Command Ottawa |
| | Ron Reedy | coming from 12 Wing Shearwater to 8 Wing Trenton |
| Moving: | Colin Clansey | going from Air Command Ottawa to Royal Military College Kingston |
| | Doug Craft | going from 8 Wing Trenton to Royal Military College Kingston |

After the moves, the Ottawa Branch Canadian Forces Regular Force Pipe Bands look as follows:

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|--|------------|---------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Air Command Ottawa | Pipe Major | Ian Ferguson | Drum Instructor | Steve Lanning |
| 8 Wing Trenton | Pipe Major | John Hugh MacDonald | Drum Instructor | Ron Reedy |
| Royal Military College Kingston | Pipe Major | Colin Clansey | Drum Instructor | Doug Craft |
| 2 CMBG Petawawa | Pipe Major | Jim MacIntyre | | |

For John and Brad, all the best in your new postings. Ian and Ron, welcome to the Ottawa Branch!!



For note..... The **Royal Mile Pub** will be relocating to a new and better location in August or September this year. Keep posted for the new address. The Ottawa Branch September newsletter will carry all the details.



Notes:

As the 2001/2002 season comes to a close, we're looking for suggestions for next year. Feel free to pass on your recommendations and ideas to any of those on the Ottawa Branch executive.

A large number of digital photographs were taken at the Ottawa Branch knock-out contests during the 2001/2002 season, and at the Winchester Indoor Games (bands and soloists). If any of the participants would be interested in electronic copies (in JPG format), please contact the President at ogilvie@travel-net.com.

Drummers... we're looking for suggestions on how to improve participation in the monthly knock-out series. What approach would you like for the 2002/2003 season? Give us a call!!

For colour copies of the newsletter (in PDF format), visit www.ppbsso-ottawa.org.



Campbeltown Loch (aka... Glendaurel Highlanders)

Oh Campbeltown Loch, I wish you were whisky,
Campbeltown Loch, hooch aye!
Oh Campbeltown Loch, I wish you were whisky,
I would drink you dry!!!

THE ROYAL CANADIAN AIR FORCE TARTAN

2002 marks the 60th Anniversary of The Royal Canadian Air Force Tartan. This is of no small consequence for Canada's Air Force, particularly its volunteer Pipe Bands who wear it with distinction at hundreds of events each year across Canada, and around the world. Its creation was sparked in the early 1940s by Group Captain E.G. Fullerton AFC, Commanding Officer of No. 9 Service Flying Training School and later Commanding Officer of RCAF Station Trenton. Early design prototypes were produced by the Loomcrofters of Gagetown, New Brunswick, and after modification by the Air Council, the design received official sanction from Air Force Headquarters on 21 May 1942. At the request of Air Vice Marshall J.A. Sully AFC, ADC, former Commanding Officer of RCAF Station Trenton, the Tartan was submitted to Lord Lyon, King of Arms (Canada's former Herald) for approval in July 1942. Approval was granted on 15 August 1942 and it became officially known worldwide as The Royal Canadian Air Force Tartan.



With the amalgamation of Canada's three military services in 1968, the distinctive blue Air Force uniform was lost for over 20 years. This was a time of profound change for Canada's military, when unit titles, insignia, and all distinguishing hallmarks of the Army, Navy, and Air Force were officially proscribed in favour of a singular, generic-looking force. Amid the post-integration haste for uniformity, precious swatches of the original Tartan samples were destined for destruction, and its official documentation hung in oblivion. Yet the RCAF Tartan was kept to the fore in these years by the RCAF Association (now Air Force Association of Canada), and the Air Force's voluntary Pipe Band community lead by the Canadian Forces Senior Pipe Major, Chief Warrant Officer A.M. Cairns MMM, CD.

To this day the RCAF Tartan is prominently displayed at parades and ceremonies, in Messes and Headquarters, and by Pipe Bands and individuals. Conspicuously, during a ceremony on May 4, 1973 following the Presentation of Colours to 441, 421, and 429 Tactical Fighter Squadrons in Baden Soellingen, West Germany, the Air Force formally presented HRH The Prince Phillip with an RCAF Tartan kilt. Making the presentation on this occasion was Warrant Officer Wes Alguire CD, a Piper with the CFB Ottawa Pipe Band, and notably a founding (now serving) member of 8 Wing Trenton Pipe Band.

But over the years the RCAF Tartan has fallen victim to its own popularity, suffering abuses at the hands of the multi-million dollar wool industry, which has arbitrarily changed its distinctive colours, lines, and set. Nowhere is this proliferation more apparent than in Bands, where discrepancies abound. In an effort to safeguard the integrity of the RCAF Tartan, and in keeping with their mandate to preserve and safeguard Air Force symbols at large, the Air Force Association of Canada has recently embarked on a project to register their Copyright, and to educate the public in the proper manufacture of RCAF Tartan. A sample of the newly restored, wartime-design RCAF Tartan was ceremoniously unfurled on August 8, 2001 when the 8 Wing Trenton Pipe Band – in Scotland for The World Pipe Band Championships – was received by Scottish Lawmakers during a historic televised performance from *inside* the chamber of the Scottish Parliament (the first time the Pipes have been played in the chamber!). Here, a gift of authentic RCAF Tartan was presented to the Presiding Officer (Speaker of The House), The Right Honorable Sir David Steel KBE, MSP by Bob Tracy MSM, Executive Director of The Air Force Association of Canada (himself a Piper!), and the Air Force's Deputy Director of Air Force Protocol. Thus, another page was added to the history of the RCAF Tartan, which today reflects the mettle of a proud, professional service.

(Contributed by Pipe Major John Hugh MacDonald, P/M of the 8 Wing Trenton Pipe Band, and former P/M of The Cameron Highlanders of Ottawa, and The Ceremonial Guard)

30th Anniversary

July 2002



Winchester In-Door Games Saturday 12 May 2001



Judges: Amy Garson, Brian Williamson, Colin Clansey, Bill Gilmour, Jim Bush

| Event | 1st | 2nd | 3rd |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Grade 2 Pipe Band | Glengarry Gr 2 | Rob Roy | |
| Grade 4 Pipe Band | Glengarry Gr 4 | Spencerville Legion | 78 th Fraser Highlanders |
| Grade 5 Pipe Band | City of Kingston Juvenile | Highland Mist | |
| Event | 1st | 2nd | 3rd |
| Piping Open Hornpipe/Jig | Taylor Donaldson | Bobbie Smith | |
| Piping Open March | Taylor Donaldson | Bobbie Smith | Matthew Yuen |
| Piping Open Strathspey/Reel | Taylor Donaldson | Bobbie Smith | Matthew Yuen |
| Piping Grade 3 March | Will Ridley | Annie-Laurie MacPherson | Rob Long |
| Piping Grade 3 Strathspey/Reel | Amanda Bush | Robert Morrissey | Annie-Laurie MacPherson |
| Piping Grade 4 March | John Scott | Andrew Killick | Ryan Ross |
| Piping Grade 5 March | Sandy Creber | Erin Bell | Patrick Desrochers |
| Piping Practice Chanter | Jonathon Verrett | Jamie McDonnell | Karrie McLeod/Heather Wilson |
| Open Amateur Piobaireachd | Dave Campbell | Will Ridley | |
| Novice Piobaireachd | Rob Long | Alec Donaldson | Peter Purvis |
| Age 40+ March | Peter Manderson | Joan Taillefer | Don Blackadder |
| Drumming Open MSR | Sean Donaldson | Robert MacLeod | Heather Wilson |
| Drumming Grade 3 March | Mike Goulding | | |
| Drumming Grade 4 March | Iain Bell | Heather Wilson | Reilly Baggs |
| Novice Practice Pad | Katie McLeod | | |



30th Anniversary

July 2002



Sean Donaldson
(Winchester Drummer of the Day)



Will Ridley
(Winchester Grade 3 March)



Taylor Donaldson
(Winchester Piper of the Day)



Dave Campbell
(Winchester Open Amateur Piobaireachd)



GLENGARRY HIGHLAND GAMES Friday Night Tattoo ** 02 August 2002 **
www.glengarryhighlandgames.com

Featuring the four-time World Champion
Simon Fraser University Pipe Band

Also featuring:

6:30 pm (Pre-Concert Entertainment)

Glengarry Strathspey and Reel Society

Massed Fiddlers

Ian MacLeod's Fiddlers, Ashley MacLeod

7:30 pm (Games Concert and Tattoo)

Massed Pipes and Drums

Brigadoons, MacCulloch Dancers

Calasaig (Scotland's Newest Traditional Band), Scotia Dancers

Ceremonial Guard and Ottawa Police Service Pipe Band, Fireworks !!!!!!!!!



19TH ANNUAL NORTH LANARK HIGHLAND GAMES ** 24 August 2002 **
www.almontehighlandgames.inawire.com

Celebrate the Scottish and Irish heritage of the valley at the 19th annual North Lanark Highland Games in Almonte, Saturday, August 24th 2002.

Twenty pipe bands, a hundred dancers, and champion heavyweight athletes combine to present what is recognized as one of the Ottawa valley's premier summer events. Opening ceremonies begin at 1:00 p.m.

With mini games organized for kids and the Mississippi river as a backdrop, the Almonte games have a reputation not only as the prettiest site but also as the friendliest games on the Ontario circuit.

Also on the grounds are numerous Scottish concessions, where visitors may purchase quality traditional clothing items, Scottish food and get information on tracing their ancestry. Parking is free off-site with a free shuttle service provided.

The games start at 9:00 a.m., opening ceremonies at 1:00 p.m., final massed bands 5:30 p.m. and in the evening, a ceilidh (Scottish party) will be held in the agricultural hall.

Advance Admission is \$10.00 adults, \$4.00 children. At the gate, \$12.00 adults, \$4.00 children.

