

PIPERS' and PIPE BAND SOCIETY of ONTARIO, OTTAWA BRANCH

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Ottawa Branch Open Solo Piping Contest
SATURDAY 05 APRIL 2008 (see next page for all the details)

2007/2008 Ottawa Branch Knock-Out Finals.....

Although from all the snow still in the Ottawa area you would not know that winter should be over, but spring is definitely here as another knock-out season has come to a conclusion. A full house enjoyed some very exciting piping and drumming in the finals, with each of the competitors playing a medley of their own choice. The tunes were extremely varied and befitting the final night of this competition, the playing at a very high standard. Many thanks to all the competitors who played throughout the year, hopefully you enjoyed the experience as much as those who were able to watch and listen. Our thanks to Hugh Goldie and Neil Birkett for adjudicating this year's finals. The winners of each of the Divisions for 2007/2008 were as follows:

"A" Division Piping
Jonathan Verrett
Ottawa Folklore Trophy



"B" Division Piping
MacGregor van de Ven
Ottawa Robert Burns Club Trophy



"A" Division Drumming
Iain Bell
John D. Wilson Memorial Trophy



"B" Division Drumming
James Riddick
Ottawa Branch Drumming Trophy



OTTAWA BRANCH ELECTIONS for 2008/2009

The Ottawa Branch AGM was held 01 March 2008 with election results for 2008/2009 as follows: President Graeme Ogilvie, Vice-President(1) Alan Clark, Vice-President(2) Ross Davison, Treasurer Jack Yourt, and Secretary John Harper.

GLENGARRY PIPE BAND.... Saturday 01 March 2008

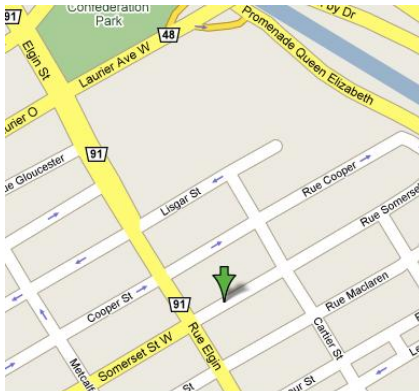
Following the Knock-Out Contest Finals, the Glengarry Pipe Band put on another wonderful evening of piping and drumming for 100+ people in the audience. Rounding into shape for the competition season, the band played an extremely varied repertoire with tunes old and familiar, as well as those of more recent composition. It was a great show on which to end the indoor knock-out series at the Walkley Armouries Mess.



OTTAWA BRANCH OPEN SOLO PIPING CONTEST

Saturday 05 April 2008

**Army Officers' Mess, 149 Somerset Street West, Ottawa, Ontario
(see map below left)**



Judge: Amy Garson

Tune Requirements: March, Strathspey,
Reel of the competitors' choice.

Registration Closes at 7:45 pm. First Piper to Play at 8:15 pm.
No Entry Fee.

Prizes: 1st \$300 and the Glengarry Trophy, 2nd \$200, 3rd \$100.
All remaining competitors in the top ten will receive a minimum \$25 gift certificate courtesy one of Ottawa's fine local pubs.

General Admission just \$10.00.

Future Ottawa Branch Dates

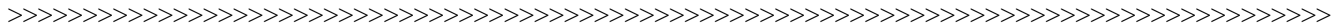
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| <i>26 April 2008</i> | <i>Smiths Falls Indoor Games</i> |
| <i>10 May 2008</i> | <i>Ottawa Branch Indoor Games... Kemptville, Ontario</i> |
| <i>24 May 2008</i> | <i>OPG Kingston Celfest</i> |
| <i>21 June 2008</i> | <i>Veterans Memorial Highland Games, Spencerville</i> |
| <i>30 Jun - 04 July 2008</i> | <i>Kingston School of Scottish Music and Dance</i> |

NOTE: Ottawa Branch (ex-Winchester) Indoor Highland Games move to Kemptville for 2008. Bigger and better!!! See entry form on page 6.

Upcoming Events

Sunday 06 April 2008 2nd Annual National Tartan Day Celebrations – Parliament Hill

The Sons of Scotland Pipe Band are hosting the second annual National Tartan Day Celebration on Parliament Hill, Ottawa from 12 to 1 pm. Pipes, drums, dancing and special guests will make for a chilly, memorable event on the front lawn (snow banks) of the Hill. Guests will include MP Scott Reid (www.scottreid.ca) and Scotland's former First Minister Henry McLeish, plus many more. Speeches, presentations and toasts will take place at D'arcy McGee's Irish Pub at 44 Sparks Street from 1:30 to 3 pm. We welcome everyone to wear their tartans, bring a friend, and come help celebrate this wonderful day in honour of our tradition and legacy which is recognized all over the world. Please visit the Sons of Scotland Pipe Band website at www.sospb.com for more information on this day and for updates. See you on Parliament Hill, Sunday 06 April.



***Smiths Falls Spring Fling Indoor Competition – Hosted by Smiths Falls Gordon Pipe Band
Saturday 26 April 2008 (Smiths Falls Collegiate High School, 229 Percy Street, Smiths Falls)***

Morning Program: Solo piping and drumming starts at 8:30 am.

Afternoon Program: Band competitions start at 1:00 pm (Grades 5, 4 and 3 as per PPBSO rules)

Other Events – Novice and Junior Piob, Adult Novice (over 40 & never competed at Grade 5 or above), Hornpipe/Jig Trio (4 parts each tune, 2 pipes, 1 side), and Drummers Salute (minimum 2 sides plus one other percussion, eg. side, tenor, bass.... 2-5 minutes)

New This Year – cash prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd in band competitions.



Our on-line registration is at: www.gordonpipeband.com

NOTES: Luncheon available. Free parking. For further information please call: 613-264-1507 or 613-283-7247 or contact: brooke@squarepeg.ca

This event is run in a style similar to the Winchester Indoor Games, \$5 at the door (children under 7 free), competitor or spectator, no entry fees for band or solo competitions.. A classroom will be assigned for each pre-registered band. Competitors do not need to be members of the PPBSO, we only ask that you notify us as soon as possible of your intent to attend. There are medals for top three places in each solo category. Also note that this competition counts towards the Eastern Ontario Championship Supreme.



30 Jun - 04 July 2008 Kingston School of Scottish Music & Dance

Place: Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario

Piping Instructors – Bob Worrall, Glenn Brown, Scott Bell, Ross Brown

Piping Instructors – John Fisher, Graham Kirkwood

Piping Instructors – Tyler Fry

For more info, contact: (613) 542-7287 or email: swb1@post.queensu.ca

Website: <http://www.macgregordespitethem.com>



Newsletter Email List

As we do once each year, this is a reminder that our Ottawa Branch newsletter has grown substantially in size and with that our production and distribution costs have gone up. To help keep these costs down, why not consider getting your Ottawa Branch newsletter in PDF format off the Ottawa Branch web-site. Not only do you help your Branch save money, but you'll get the newsletter much earlier and in colour!!! To be notified by email when the newsletter is available for download at www.ppbs-ottawa.org, please drop a line to graeme.ogilvie@sympatico.ca. **Also a reminder to those who get hard copy newsletters and have not renewed your PPBSO membership..... this will be your last newsletter!!!!**

Ottawa Branch Recitals

PADDY KEENAN PERFORMS FOR OTTAWA FAITHFUL



Despite the raging snowstorm outside, Paddy Keenan and John Walsh took the stage at the First Unitarian Congregation of Ottawa on 07 March 2008 to a full and appreciative audience. Paddy, born in Trim, Co Meath, Ireland, is generally acknowledged as the most accomplished Uilleann piper performing today. A founding member of the famous Bothy Band, and winner of the TG4 Traditional Music Award (Gradam Cheoil) as Traditional Musician of the Year (the most prestigious award in Irish traditional music), he put on a phenomenal two hour concert accompanied by singer and guitarist John Walsh, originally from Kilkenny, Ireland. The concert, hosted by the Irish Music Society of Ottawa, was an incredible evening of the Uilleann



pipe, guitar, harmonica and bhodran. For more information on other upcoming events, you can check the Society web-site at www.irishmusicottawa.ca.

Announcements

P/M KEN LAROCQUE INDUCTED INTO BROCKVILLE ARTS HALL OF FAME

(excerpted from the Brockville Recorder & Times 19 March 2008)



A longtime church organist, a community theatre veteran and a pipe major are among this year's six inductees to the Brockville and Area Music and Performing Arts Hall of Fame. The hall of fame's committee has announced this year's six new members, who will be inducted officially on Thursday, March 27 at the Brockville Arts Centre in a 90-minute show broadcast live on TV Cogeco.

The Class of 2008 includes 91-year-old Ed Flanigan, who was the organist at First Presbyterian Church for 42 years. Flanigan also played in Sandy Runciman's Big Band Orchestra for years and is still playing today. Also joining the laureates is Marjorie Alexander, whose career in local theatre has spanned six decades since her debut with the Brockville Theatre Guild in 1949. Another inductee, Richard Crotty, moved to Brockville in 1968 and worked for the Canadian Conservatory as its director of music. It closed in 1972 and he started teaching at his home, where more than 3,000 students would learn.

Ken Larocque, pipe major of the City of Brockville Pipe Band, has devoted most of his life to the pipes, committee members said in announcing his induction. In November 2001, after the 9/11 terrorist attacks, Larocque piped then Brockville Mayor Ben TeKamp to a special presentation of a book of condolences from Brockville to New York City at Rockefeller Center.

Deborah Dunleavy, whose 27-year career as a children's performer has included five CDs of her own songs, she appeared on Eureka's Castle, which has been seen on MTV in North America, as well as Ants in your Pants on YTV and Fred Penner's Place and Mr. Dressup on CBC. A posthumous inductee is George Elliot, who enjoyed a performing career of more than 45 years as a vocalist and drummer. He was a longtime member of the Brockville Musicians Association and served as president and past president.

Photograph courtesy Stewart Nimmo, Manager, City of Brockville Pipe Band.

Kingston Celtfest *Saturday 24 May 2008*

Lake Ontario Park, Kingston, Ontario

We are pleased to announce that we will be running the 4th annual Kingston Celtfest on 24 May 2008 at Lake Ontario Park. This venue has received rave reviews at previous contests. Please join us this year in our continued efforts to improve and expand the contest. We are striving to run this event as a competitor-friendly Games and welcome your input. Come out and earn Eastern Ontario Championship Supreme points!!

- **Bands will participate in a brief closing ceremony**, which will include playing several tunes at the halt.
- **Time permitting, Grade 2, 3 and 4 bands** will have the opportunity to **play twice**, showcasing each selection (MSR, medley and march medley, as appropriate) required for the summer contests.
- **Prize money** will be offered to the top two finishers in each Grade.
- **No admission** will be charged to the event.
- The contest will commence at 8:30 a.m. sharp, finishing no later than 6:00 p.m.

Timetable:

Registration	8:00 a.m.	
Solo Piping & Drumming Commences	8:30 a.m.	
Grade 5 Pipe Band Contest	12:30 p.m.	
Grade 4 March Medley Contest	1:30 p.m.	Grade 4 Medley Contest
Grade 3 MSR Contest	3:30 p.m.	Grade 3 Medley Contest
Grade 2 MSR Contest	4:30 p.m.	Grade 2 Medley Contest
Closing Ceremony	5:30 p.m.	

Fish Fry (with cash bar) planned after the Games, so plan to stay and party!!

In conjunction with the Kingston School of Scottish Music and Dance..... As a special incentive for promoting the School, bands will receive a rebate of \$200 if five or more of band members attend the School.

Directions:

Exit Highway 401 at Sir John A. MacDonald Blvd. Follow Sir John A. MacDonald Blvd. to King Street (T-junction). Turn right onto King St and follow for several blocks. Lake Ontario Park is on your left (just past St. Lawrence College).

Inquiries: Scott Bell at control@ams.queensu.ca or (613) 542-7287, Rob Roy PB at www.macgregordespitethem.com

Veterans Memorial Highland Games Presents

Scottish Tartan Day Dinner & Ceilidh

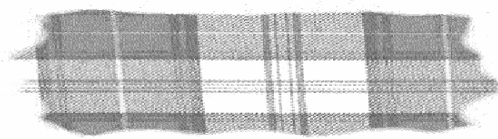
Saturday April 5th, 2008

Johnstown Community Centre

Cocktail Hour- 6:00 pm, Dinner- 7:00 pm, Ceilidh- 8:00 pm

Back by Popular Demand: The 2 Paddy's with Special Guest Fiddler Gerry O'Neill

Tickets: \$25.00 each For Tickets or Information Call: 613-657-3593



Bagpipes for Sale

Circa 1965 Hardie Bagpipes, African blackwood, synthetic mounts. Excellent condition, no cracks or warping. L&M hide bag included but not attached. Three Ezee Drone Reeds, Hardie Pipe chanter with ivory sole. Piper's Choice soft case. Asking \$2,600.00 obo. Contact Colin Campbell at 613-432-9047 (evenings).

Ottawa Branch In-Door Games

Saturday 10 May 2008

St Michael Catholic High School, Kemptville, Ontario
2755 Highway 43 (west of Hwy 416)

*** Admission: \$5.00 per person, whether competitor or spectator ***

Registration starts 8:00 am
Solo Piping Competitions start 8:30 am
Solo Drumming Competitions start 10:00 am
Pipe Band (Grade 5, Grade 4, Grade 3, Grade 2) Competitions start 1:30 pm

Band Events (entries to be made on-line to graeme.ogilvie@sympatico.ca by 01 May 08)

Grade 2 (Medley), **Grade 3** (MSR), **Grade 4** (Medley), **Grade 5** (March Medley)

Solo Events (no entry fees if entered in advance... \$5 fee for entering on the day)

Piping

Event 1.	Practice Chanter	one 2-parted March, any time signature
Event 2.	Grade 5	one 2-parted March, any time signature
Event 3.	Grade 4	one 4-parted March, 2/4 time signature
Event 4a.	Grade 3 March	one 4-parted March, 2/4 time signature
Event 4b.	Grade 3 Strathspey / Reel	one 4-parted Strathspey, one 4-parted Reel
Event 5a.	Open March	submit two, 4-parted Marches, 2/4 time signature
Event 5b.	Open Strathspey / Reel	one 4-parted Strathspey, one 4-parted Reel
Event 5c.	Open Hornpipe / Jig	one 4-parted Hornpipe, one 4-parted Jig
Event 6a.	Novice Piobaireachd	ground and next two passages
Event 6b.	Junior Piobaireachd	one Piobaireachd
Event 6c.	Open Piobaireachd	submit two Piobaireachd
Event 7.	Age 40 Plus	one 4-parted March, 2/4 time signature

Drumming

Event 8.	Novice Practice Pad	one 2-parted March, any time signature
Event 9.	Grade 5 Snare	one 2-parted March, any time signature
Event 10.	Grade 4 Snare	one 4-parted March, 2/4 time signature
Event 11.	Grade 3 Snare	March / Strathspey / Reel, each tune 4 parts minimum
Event 12.	Open Amateur Snare	March / Strathspey / Reel, each tune 4 parts minimum
Event 13.	Open Amateur Bass	one 4-parted March, 2/4 time signature
Event 14.	Open Amateur Flourishing Tenor	one 4-parted March, 2/4 time signature

WINCHESTER 2008 SOLO ENTRY FORM

Name: _____

Mail Entries to:

Telephone Number: _____

Graeme Ogilvie
1730 Bonaventure Terrace
Orleans, ON, K1C 1W4

Event Numbers: _____

Entries will also be accepted by e-mail at graeme.ogilvie@sympatico.ca. Entry on the day of the competition will be allowed, however, those competitors will be required to pay a \$5.00 admin fee (regardless of number of events) in addition to the \$5.00 admission fee.

Veterans Memorial Highland Games

Saturday 21 June 2008

Spencerville Fairgrounds, Spencerville, Ontario

*** www.veteransmemorialhg.com ***

Solo Piping/Drumming Competitions start **8:30** am
First Massed Band: **1:00** pm
Pipe Band (Grade 2-5) Competitions start **1:30** pm
Tenor Drum, Bass Drum, Drum Major Competitions start **5:15** pm
Final Massed Band: **5:45** pm

BAND EVENTS

Grade 2 (Set & Medley), **Grade 3** (MSR), **Grade 4** (Medley), **Grade 5** (March Medley)

SOLO EVENTS

Piping

- Event 1. Grade 5 March
- Event 2. Grade 4 March
- Event 3. Grade 3 March
- Event 4. Grade 3 Strathspey/Reel
- Event 5. Grade 2 March
- Event 6. Grade 2 Strathspey/Reel
- Event 7. Grade 2 Jig
- Event 8. Grade 1 March
- Event 9. Grade 1 Strathspey/Reel
- Event 10. Grade 1 Jig
- Event 11. Novice Piobaireachd
- Event 12. Junior Piobaireachd
- Event 13. Intermediate Piobaireachd
- Event 14. Senior Piobaireachd

Drumming

- Event 15. Grade 5 March
- Event 16. Grade 4 March
- Event 17. Grade 3 March/Strathspey/Reel
- Event 18. Grade 2 March/Strathspey/Reel
- Event 19. Grade 2 Hornpipe/Jig
- Event 20. Grade 1 March/Strathspey/Reel
- Event 21. Grade 1 Hornpipe/Jig
- Event 22. Novice Flourishing Tenor
- Event 23. Amateur Flourishing Tenor
- Event 24. Novice Bass
- Event 25. Amateur Bass
- Event 26. Amateur Drum Major

Entry Fees... Solo: \$5.00 per Event. Band: \$25.00.

Entries must be postmarked no later than 02 June 2008.

**** Make cheques payable to: *VETERANS MEMORIAL HIGHLAND GAMES* ****

VETERANS MEMORIAL HIGHLAND GAMES 2008

SOLO ENTRY FORM

Name: _____

Band Affiliate: _____

Email Address: _____

Event Numbers: _____

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BAND ENTRY FORM

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Grade: _____

Band Contact/Email Address: _____

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