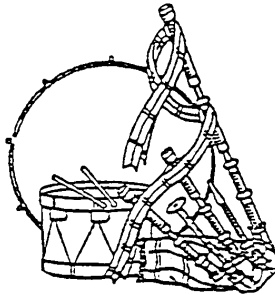


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**November Knock-Out Contest..... Saturday 07 November 2009 (see next page for details)**

## *Eastern Ontario Champion Supreme Awards & October Knock-Out Contest start the 2009/2010 Season.....*



An excellent crowd came out again for the presentation of the Eastern Ontario Champion Supreme Awards and to watch the first piping/drumming solo contests of the new season. As is the tradition of the Ottawa Branch, the first knock-out contest of the season started out with the standard 4/4 March contest for the pipers and 2/4 March for the drummers. Our thanks go out to our piping judge, Hugh Goldie (pictured bottom right) and our drumming judge, Rob MacLeod of the Ottawa Police Service Pipe Band. It was another good start to an indoor season and we look forward to many excellent nights ahead over the fall, winter and spring. The piping and drumming results from the October contests were as follows:



**Piping "A"**  
1<sup>st</sup> Ross Davison  
2<sup>nd</sup> Curtis Leblanc  
3<sup>rd</sup> Taylor Williams  
4<sup>th</sup> Ryan Ross  
5<sup>th</sup> Amos Van Die  
6<sup>th</sup> MacGregor van de Ven

**Piping "B"**  
1<sup>st</sup> Dave Zarboni  
2<sup>nd</sup> Liam Melville  
3<sup>rd</sup> Kris Bawden  
4<sup>th</sup> Justin Seguin  
5<sup>th</sup> Camden Garson

**Piping "C"**  
1<sup>st</sup> Adam Campbell  
2<sup>nd</sup> John Steele  
3<sup>rd</sup> Eric Noden  
4<sup>th</sup> Mark Cornelisse  
5<sup>th</sup> Geoffrey McCurdy  
6<sup>th</sup> Tom MacKenzie

**Drumming "B"**  
1<sup>st</sup> Erica Pulling  
2<sup>nd</sup> Bill Creber  
3<sup>rd</sup> Tom MacKenzie  
4<sup>th</sup> Matthew Yuen  
5<sup>th</sup> Laura Dawson

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**NOVEMBER KNOCK-OUT CONTESTS..... Saturday 07 November 2009**

Knock-Out Contest Date... **Saturday 07 November 2009. Time... 7:30 pm.** To keep the evening from running too late, all competitors are asked to be registered by 7:15 pm. If you can't make it by 7:15, please contact any of the Ottawa Branch executive in advance to reserve a spot in the draw. Place... the **Walkey Road Armouries**, 2100 Walkley Road, between St. Laurent Blvd and Conroy Ave (the Armouries are on the south side of Walkley Ave, right beside the Walkley Bowling Centre). **\*\*\* NOTE: do not park in reserved parking spots, the Armouries are a 24/7 facility \*\*\*.**

**Admission..... \$5.00, competitors included (there is no entry fee for the contests).**

Piping "C" Division (judge: Fraser Clark)... four parts **2/4 March** (one or two tunes)

Drumming "B" Division (judge: Steve Lanning)... four parts **4/4 March** (one or two tunes)

**A reminder that a "duty piper" is available for all drumming competitors if set up in advance with the President.**

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***Order of Play and Knock-Out Tune Lists for 2009/2010***

**\* NOTE THE CHANGES TO PIPING DIVISIONS IN JANUARY AND FEBRUARY**

	<b>"A" Piping</b>	<b>"B" Piping</b>	<b>"C Piping</b>	<b>"B" Drumming</b>
<b>December</b>	<i>Slow Air &amp; Jig</i>	<i>Slow Air &amp; Jig</i>	<i>n/a</i>	<i>3/4 March</i>
<b>January</b>	<i>MSR</i>	<i>S/R</i>	<i>n/a</i>	<i>6/8 March</i>
<b>February</b>	<i>n/a</i>	<i>n/a</i>	<i>Slow Air &amp; 6/8 March</i>	<i>2/4 March</i>
<b>March</b>	<i>Medley own choice</i>	<i>Medley own choice</i>	<i>Medley own choice</i>	<i>Medley own choice</i>

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***Future Ottawa Branch Dates***

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| <i>05 December 2009</i> | <i>Ottawa Branch Knock-Out Contest, Walkley Mess</i>                  |
| <i>09 January 2010</i>  | <i>Allan Quinn Memorial Contest, Drumming Knock-Out, Walkley Mess</i> |
| <i>06 February 2010</i> | <i>Major Archie Cairns Cup, Drumming Knock-Out, Walkley Mess</i>      |
| <i>06 March 2010</i>    | <i>Ottawa Branch Knock-Out Finals, Walkley Mess</i>                   |
| <i>08 May 2010</i>      | <i>Ottawa Branch In-Door Highland Games (Kemptonville)</i>            |

**Events**

**PPBSO 2009 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**Date: 28 November 2009**

**Lions Club Hall (upstairs), Campbellville, Ontario 1:00 pm start**

***PPBSO Highland Ball***

**Saturday 07 November 2009**

**Sheraton Hotel, 116 King Street West, Hamilton, Ontario**

## Gailhlig Ottawa

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The Gaelic Club of Ottawa, Gailhlig Ottawa, is run by Randy Waugh of the Sons of Scotland Pipe Band. Randy has taken the reigns at the club which was a re-invigoration of the group previously run by Rita Messer which was operating for 77 years. In addition to new interest and great topics to learn and discuss, Randy has assembled a team of musicians and singers to form the choir Ar Oran, which is Gaelic for 'Our Song'. Their debut will be at the pipe band's annual Scotland Tonight show on Sunday 22 November, and new members are welcome at anytime - singing experience not necessary. Randy has also arranged to begin holding a celebration of the Gaelic arts here in Ottawa with the first National Capital Mod to be held on Saturday 21 November at the Kent Street Legion. This will be a terrific, fun competition with lots of variety and something for people of all ages. Please pass along the information to anyone you think may be interested in taking part or coming out to watch. Song, speaking, small pipes, fiddling and harp playing are all part of this day, so there's something for everyone! Please visit the website at <http://www.gaidhligottawa.ca/> for further information.



### 8<sup>th</sup> Annual "SCOTLAND TONIGHT" Presented by the Sons of Scotland Pipe Band Sunday 22 November 2009 at 2:00 pm The Bronson Centre, 211 Bronson Avenue, Ottawa

This year **Scotland Tonight** features performances by the Sons of Scotland Pipe Band and Mac An Alba. Dancing will be provided by the MacCulloch School of Dance and the Katharine Robinson School of Dance. Also scheduled to perform are the Ar Oran Gaelic Choir and very special guest Catherine Ann MacPhee. For more information please go to [www.sospb.com](http://www.sospb.com).

Tickets are \$15 plus surcharges, available on TicketWeb @ [www.ticketweb.ca](http://www.ticketweb.ca) or by phone at 1-888-222-6608. A door prize will be provided for a stay for two at the Lord Elgin Hotel. We hope to see you at Scotland Tonight!! The Sons of Scotland Pipe Band.

## Third Annual Drum School Workshop

**Saturday 28 November 2008 from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm**

St Martins Church, 2120 Prince Charles Rd, Ottawa, behind the Carlingwood Mall.

Tickets will be \$30 at the door. This year we will be partially sponsored by the PPBSO Ottawa Branch and the Ottawa Police Services.

Pre-register, or more information, at: [tom.mackenzie@sympatico.ca](mailto:tom.mackenzie@sympatico.ca) or at 613-327-9616.

This year will feature **Tom Foote** of the Metro Toronto Police Grade 1 Pipe Band; **Brendan Kelly**, the lead drummer from the Glengarry Grade 2 Pipe Band; **Scott Nicholson** of the Rob Roy Grade 3 Pipe Band, **Rob MacLeod** of the Ottawa Police Grade 4 Pipe Band, and **Kahlil Cappuccino** of the 78<sup>th</sup> Frasers Citadel Halifax. See bios on next page.

Tom is going to lead a morning session on rudiments and dynamics in the context of two bar phrases suitable for 2/4 Marches. In the afternoon we will all split up into breakout groups to be coached by Tom, Brendan, Scott and Robb on playing 2/4 march scores based on those phrases in a competitive drum corps context. Bring your drums and harnesses so we can all play together at the end of the afternoon. A mid-section workshop will be held with Kahlil with all levels of tenor and bass drummers invited.



**Tom Foote.** Tom played briefly with Clan McFarlane and then joined the 78th Fraser's while Reid Maxwell was lead-tip. He played for the Toronto Metro Police Band under Drew Duthart in the early 90's, then with Peel Regional Police and most recently with the Toronto Police Pipe Band under Lead Drummer Doug Stronach. Tom is a certified snare drumming adjudicator with EUSPBA and PPBSO and is finishing his certification in Ensemble with EUSPBA.



**Scott Nicholson.** Scott competed with Rob Roy under Lead Drummer Chris Bell before moving on to the Grade 1 Scottish Lion 78th Fraser Highlanders. During his ten years with the Frasers they won many drum corps and band prizes including several North American, Canadian and U.S. titles with Lead Drummers Michael Hunter, John Fisher and Drew Duthart. Scott was a Canadian Professional Champion in 2005. In 2008 Scott played for the Spirit of Scotland Pipe Band under John Fisher.



**Rob MacLeod.** Rob has played with the Black Watch (RHR) of Canada, Cameron Highlanders of Ottawa, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Mechanized Brigade Pipe Band, the Ottawa Police Services Pipe Band, the Fraser Highlanders of Ottawa and the Glengarry Grade 2 Pipe Band. He was with Glengarry when they took 6<sup>th</sup> place overall at the World Pipe Band Championships in 2004. He was Amateur Drummer of the Day at Maxville in 2006 and 2008.



**Kahlil Cappuccino.** Kahlil spends his pipe band time as the bass/lead of the mid-section with the Grade 1 78th Highlanders Halifax Citadel Pipe Band and as a member of the Spirit of Scotland Pipe Band's mid-section. Amongst numerous prizes over his eighteen year pipe band career he has been awarded the best bass prize (Grade 2) at the World Pipe Band Championships and won the Mid-West Highland Arts Fund Gold Medal for Bass in Kansas City.

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## **St Andrew's Day Ceilidh**

Saturday, December 12 is the St. Andrew's Day Ceilidh from 6 to 11 pm at St. Matthias Anglican Church at 555 Parkdale Avenue. 3 course buffet dinner, silent auction room, cash bar, door prize, free parking, entertainment by the Sons of Scotland Pipe Band and the Cape Breton Fiddle Session! Tickets only \$20.00 and \$10.00 for under 16s available now at the Sons practices Monday from 7 to 9 pm at St. Matthias, or by mail at [sospb@sospb.com](mailto:sospb@sospb.com) Group tables can be reserved, and a limited number of tickets are to be sold. Visit the Sons site for silent auction sponsor information at [www.sospb.com](http://www.sospb.com)

## **Pipefest 2010**

We wanted to share the exciting news with you all that our band will be involved in the planning and execution of Pipefest 2010 in Ottawa next August. This is a wonderful charity march, and a global piping event which will involve bands people from all over the world! We will have information on the Sons of Scotland Pipe Band site at [www.sospb.com](http://www.sospb.com) as we get into the planning stages, and there is info on the Pipefest site at [www.pipefest.com](http://www.pipefest.com) . Sons of Scotland Pipe Band.

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## **Results**

### ***Andrew Hayes places 5<sup>th</sup> in Oban Gold Medal Contest***



Andrew Hayes of the Ottawa Police Service Pipe Band, and North American Champion Scottish Lion 78<sup>th</sup> Fraser Highlanders Pipe Band, placed fifth in the Highland Society of London's Gold Medal for Piobaireachd at the 140<sup>th</sup> Argyllshire Gathering held Wednesday 26 August 2009 in Oban, Scotland. Playing "The Lament for the Viscount of Dundee" Andrew placed in the top six for the second year in a row (in 2008 he placed second to Niall Stewart). This year's contest was won by Alistair Dunn who also played "The Lament for the Viscount of Dundee". The judges were John MacDougall, Iain MacFadyen, and Colin MacLellan.

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## National Police and Peace Officers' Memorial Service

The 32<sup>nd</sup> National Police and Peace Officers' Memorial Service was held on Parliament Hill, Ottawa, Sunday 27 September 2009. Under cool temperatures and cloudy skies, over 2,000 police and peace officers participated in the solemn ceremony.

The National Peace and Police Officers' Memorial Service is held every year, providing an opportunity for families, friends, colleagues and all Canadians to pay tribute to the brave and dedicated men and women who lost their lives while protecting Canadian communities. Among the new names that were added to the honour roll were: Constable Alan Hack (Ontario Provincial Police – Elgin County), Constable James Lunblad (Royal Canadian Mounted Police – Alberta), and Constable Eric Lavoie (Laval Police Service). Other historical names that were added this year were: Forest Officer Donat Lalonde (Department of Forestry, Lands and Wildlife – Albert Forest Services (1988)), Constable Jean Claude Phoenix (Saint Jean Police Service (1978)), Constable Charles Denis (St Joseph de Sorel Municipal Police Service (1958)), and Constable Frank Hare (Port Dover Police (1951)). The Service is a lasting tribute to the sacrifice of those brave men and women. "THEY ARE OUR HEROES, WE SHALL NOT FORGET THEM". Their names are forever etched on the glass panels erected along the perimeter wall adjacent to the Memorial Pavilion which now totals over 750 fallen officers.

More than 250 pipers and drummers participated in the 2009 Memorial Parade, joined by the Ceremonial Band of the Waterloo Regional Police Service. Pipe bands represented this year included the Ottawa Police Service, the Halton Regional Police, the Hamilton Police, the Windsor Police, the Niagara Regional Police, the Durham Regional Police, the OPP Commissioner's Own Pipes and Drums, the Greater Sudbury Regional Police, the York Regional Police, the Air Command Pipes and Drums, the Toronto Police, the Peel Regional Police, the Brockville Police, the CBSA (Corrections, US Border Patrol and Cleveland Police), and the RCMP Pipes and Drums (with members from Ottawa, Montreal, Moncton, Halifax and Newfoundland).



Photo courtesy Cst Jacinthe Dion, Ottawa Police Service.

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## Passages

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It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of **Leslie Audrey McCarthy**. Leslie was well known and respected in the Eastern Ontario pipe band community. She was an integral part of the Sons of Scotland Pipe Band, the Ogilvy Pipe Band and the Air Force Pipe Band as well as one of the driving forces behind the Ottawa Piping Club (including sitting on the Executive).

She was a very kind and cheerful person always willing to lend a hand wherever it was needed. Whether it was hauling everyone to band practices, contests, parades and fundraisers, or often offering to transport most of the band in the family suburban to distant parades, she was a tireless supporter of the piping and drumming community. She was one of the key members of the executive for the revival of the early Ottawa Highland Games and a regular attendee at all the local area highland games and band fundraising galas. She volunteered much time through the Ottawa Police Association and the Ottawa Police Golden Club to help out at the functions for the annual National Police Memorial weekend.

Leslie is survived by her two sons Rob (currently a piper with the Air Command Pipes and Drums) and Allan (a drummer who played with Rob in the Sons of Scotland, the Ogilvy Pipe Band, and with the Air Force). Known by many, loved and respected by all that knew her, she's left an enormous hole in everyone's lives with her untimely passing.

*This is the eleventh in an on-going series of profiles of local pipers/drummers who have made a significant contribution to the Pipe Band world. In this issue it is a family commitment that follows. Both Scott Bell, as Pipe Major of the Rob Roy Pipe Band, and Carol-Anne Bell, as Dance Director of the Rob Roy Pipe Band, have been instrumental in a fostering a new generation of pipers, drummers, and dancers in Eastern Ontario. Their enthusiasm and the long, long hours dedicated to celtic music and dance has been very much appreciated by everyone touched by their lives.*

## **Pipe Major Scott Bell and Carol-Anne Bell** ***“The Heart of the Rob Roy Pipe Band and Highland Dancers”***



MacLellan and Bill Livingstone. He has also been to the “Timmins Piping School” with instructors Seamus McNeil, James MacIntosh and Harry McNulty.

As a solo competitor Scott won Champion Supreme Grade 2 in both light music and piobrachd and played Grade 1 solos until he took on the role of Pipe Major for Rob Roy. Scott became Pipe Major of Rob Roy in 1984 at the age of eighteen and has been Pipe Major for twenty five years now! Being the Pipe Major of any band is a demanding job, but Scott still found time to play and compete with the Grade 2 Niagara Regional Police Pipe Band for three years. He has played under Al Arsh, Tom Anderson and Dave Goodall. Scott played with Niagara at the World Championships at which they placed sixth.

Scott has kept busy over the years with his two children also following in the Scottish tradition Lindsay (piper and highland dancer) and Iain a drummer. Three years ago Scott completed his judges exam with B level in solo and pipe bands. For the past three years Scott has also been a member of PPBSO Music Board.



As Pipe Major he also has taken on many other jobs for the organization. He ran the “Kingston School of Scottish Music and Dance” with Carol-Anne for ten years. Wanting to offer a spring outdoor event Scott has been instrumental in organizing the very successful Ontario Power Generation (OPG) Celtfest in Kingston for the past five years.

Over the years there have been many highlights and special memories for him. He has played in Scotland six times with five of them as Pipe Major. Champion Supreme wins always bring a big smile to his face, but one of the biggest smiles came at the World Pipe Band Championships in 2007. The band won the qualifier (4A) and placed eighth in the final. That was a special trip for the entire Bell family as seven members of the family were playing in the band and two were dancing. Scott’s brother Chris was the lead drummer/drum sergeant/instructor for many years with Rob Roy and Scott always enjoyed playing with him. Scott has had the privilege of “piping in” former Premier Bill Davis, Princess Diana, Governor General Jean Sauvé

and Brian Mulroney. Scott enjoys taking members of the band and dancers to Ottawa for the yearly Burn's Supper hosted by Peter Milliken. What keeps the Rob Roy organization going strong is the teaching program and the accomplishments of many students who have moved on to higher grade bands.

Rob Roy is lucky to also have highland dancers as part of the organization. Carol-Anne started to dance with Rob Roy in the early 1970's with instructor Susan Sutherland. She has attended Brockville Summer School under the direction of J.L. MacKenzie and Elsbeth Strathan. In 1983 Carol-Anne became the dance director for the Rob Roy Highland Dancers. Carol-Anne was a piper with that band, too. She piped for eight years and won a Champion Supreme title. Carol-Anne has attained her Fellow SDTA and judges papers. To complete her judge's papers she went to Las Vegas with J.L MacKenzie and Sheena MacDonald examining her. Carol-Anne has judged all over Canada and many places in the United States. Over the years Carol-Anne has taught workshops at Royal Military College in Kingston and other dance studios in the area. Many of Carol-Anne's students have gone on to open their own studios. Kingston used to host a large multicultural weekend "Folklore". Carol-Anne was always busy choreographing performances for the dancers to perform with the band that weekend. She continues to organize two yearly competitions in Kingston. Rob Roy highland dancers under Carol-Anne's direction have gone to Canadians several times to compete and also in Scotland. While travelling in Scotland the dancers have done performances at Stirling Castle, Princes Street Garden, Rob Roy Centre, Melrose Abbey, and Blair Castle all being accompanied by the band.



The Rob Roy Pipe Band and Highland dancers are very lucky to have to the dedication, enthusiasm and direction of Scott and Carol-Anne Bell. Keeping it in the family, Scott continues to be Pipe Major, Scott Nicholson (brother-in-law) is lead drummer/drum sergeant, Carol-Anne dance director and Heather Nicholson (sister) is a highland dance instructor.



## ***Bagpipes for Sale***

1. Set of **Hardie** bagpipes (early 1980's); half-mounted imitation ivory with nickel furrells; original pipe chanter with Elliott pipe reed; MG drone reeds; cords, cover and case.
2. Set of **Robertson** bagpipes (1920's); wood-mounted projection mounts with nickel furrells; casein ring caps; recently refurbished; MG drone reeds; Gibson pipe chanter with Elliott reed; cords, cover and case.
3. Set of **Grainger** bagpipes (early 1970's); half-mounted imitation ivory with nickel furrells; polypenco drone stocks with nickel furrells; Dunbar pipe chanter with Elliott reed; MG drone reeds; cords, cover and case.
4. Set of **Robertson** bagpipes (1930's); button-mounted projection mounts with nickel furrells; polypenco drone stocks with imitation ivory furrells; polypenco pipe chanter with Elliott reed; Henderson drone reeds with carbon-fibre tongues; cords, cover and case.

Choice of pipe bag for sets 1 to 3. Set 4 has an L&M hide pipe bag. Prices available upon request. Please contact Jack Yourt. Ph/Fx: 613-774-3622. Email: [jcyourt@gmail.com](mailto:jcyourt@gmail.com).

## ***Drum for Sale***

For Sale: Premier HTS 700. Premier HTS 700, Silver and black.  
 Very good condition. Used as competition drum for three seasons.  
 Includes a black plastic hard-shell case. Asking \$400.00.  
 Contact Thomas MacKenzie e-mail: [tom.mackenzie@sympatico.ca](mailto:tom.mackenzie@sympatico.ca) or telephone: 613-224-0670.

## EASTERN ONTARIO CHAMPIONS SUPREME 2009

The fourth Eastern Ontario Champion Supreme awards were handed out at the October meeting of the Ottawa Branch. With points accumulated at the indoor Games in Kemptville and Smiths Falls, at the Kingston Celtfest, and the traditional outdoor Games at Spencerville, Maxville, Montreal and Almonte, the final results recognized those Ottawa Branch pipers, drummers and pipe bands who had the most overall success during the 2009 season at our local events. Plaques were presented to all the winners below. Certificates went to the second and third place finishers (see the September 2009 newsletter for complete results). A huge debt of thanks again goes out to the Scottish and Irish Store of Bells Corners who very graciously sponsored this year's plaques and certificates.



### Piping

#### Grade 1

Chris Dodson

#### Grade 2

MacGregor van de Ven

#### Grade 3

Liam Melville

#### Grade 4

Jordan McConnell

#### Grade 5

Jeremy Tetrault-Farber

Heather Mosher

### Drumming

#### Grade 1

Iain Bell

#### Grade 3

Erica Pulling

#### Grade 4

Billy Creber

Keegan Melville

#### Grade 5

Matthew Yuen

### Piobaireachd

#### Senior

Matthew Yuen

#### Intermediate

MacGregor van de Ven

#### Junior

Liam Melville

#### Novice

Anna Savage

### Pipe Bands

#### Grade 2

Glengarry

#### Grade 3

Rob Roy

#### Grade 4

Ottawa Police Service

#### Grade 5

Highland Mist



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