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Pipers and Pipe Band Society of Ontario



Ottawa Branch Newsletter

November 1, 2011



Its Our Anniversary! Forty Years Strong!

40th Anniversary This will be the 40th Anniversary season for the Ottawa Branch, having been founded by Major Archie Cairns back in 1971. Stay tuned for special anniversary events throughout the year!

Drum school has a new location

DRUM SCHOOL HAS MOVED UP THE VALLEY TO A NEW LOCATION

Drum School will begin the first Saturday of January 2012 (the 7th). The new location for Drum School will be 1020 River Road, Braeside. This is just north of Arnprior. The lessons are one hour group lessons and start at 9am for New drummers, 10am for Novice drummers and 11am for Intermediate drummers. I will be covering Snare drum technique this year, until I can find local players who will teach Tenor and Bass drumming. I will be using instructional material from Alex Duthart, Jim Kilpatrick, Reid Maxwell, Hugh Cameron, and Jim Bush. Bring your drum pad, sticks, notebook, pen, and optionally a digital recorder. As always there is no charge for Drum School. To register or for more information please contact tom.mackenzie@sympatico.ca

Upcoming Events

Be sure to check the PPBSO Ottawa Branch website Calendar for Ottawa Branch Knockout events! Online registration is available to assist the Ottawa Branch Executive with planning. Online payment via paypal will be implemented in the next few weeks but in the meantime all fees will still be collected at the door.

Join us for the November 5 Knockout.

Tune Requirements:

Piping Group B - Four parted 2/4 March

Drumming Group B - TBD

Ottawa Branch Knockout

Knockout Schedule

November 5 - Group B
December 3 - Group A
January 7 - Group B
February 11 - Group A
March 2012 - Finals for both Groups A & B

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PPBSO 2011 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING and Highland Gala

PPBSO 2011 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Date: December 3, 2011

Details to be announced.

Highland Gala

Date: Saturday, November 5, 2011

Location: Best Western Brant Park Inn, 19 Holiday Drive, Brantford, Ontario

Check the PPBSO website for event information.

10th Annual Scotland Night Concert

November 20, 2011 - The 10th annual 'Scotland Tonight' concert held at 2 pm at the Bronson Centre, 211 Bronson Avenue. Presented by the Sons of Scotland Pipe Band, the show features performances by the MacCulloch School of Dance, the Ar n-Oran Gaelic Choir, Cape Breton Singer/Songwriter Neil McDaniel, the Katharine Robinson School of Dance and more! Tickets are \$20.00 and are available from the band via mail at sospb@sospb.com and at the door. Intermission with free refreshments and a wonderful door prize make for a great afternoon for people of all ages!

St. Andrew's Day Ceilidh

December 3, 2011 - The annual St Andrew's Day Ceilidh hosted by the Sons of Scotland Pipe Band at the Royal Canadian Legion, 294 Cyr Avenue in Vanier. 3 course buffet dinner, free parking, cash bar, silent auction items and door prize – doors at 5 pm, dinner starts at 6 pm, kilts encouraged! Tickets are \$20.00 and \$10.00 for under 16's – email us at sospb@sospb.com for tickets and table reservations. Full list of items for the auction and more are on our site at www.sospb.com

Ottawa Knockout Results - Oct. 1, 2011

About the Branch Newsletter and Website

The Ottawa Branch Executive is increasing our efforts to reach our membership by implementing a new website and changing the newsletter format. The website provides the executive a means to easily post news and announcements as well as allow users to sign up for events online. Branch members can now easily subscribe to the newsletter service. As always, constructive feedback from the membership is welcome.

Ottawa Branch Website

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Jason Baird, Charles MacCulloch, Alexendra Blockley



Will Ridley, MacGregor van de Ven, Chris Dodson



(left to right) Richard May, Eric Wilson

The first knockout event of the 2011/2012 season started out with the Eastern Ontario Champion Supreme awards. Soloists and pipe bands were given plaques in recognition of their achievements in the regular 2011 competition season. Following the awards, Judges Brian Williamson

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work. Congratulations to all participants. Results are listed below.

Knockout Results & Point Standings

	October	November	December	January	February	March
A Piping		X		X		
Chris Dodson	3rd (4)	X		X		
MacGrgor van de Ven	2nd (5)	X		X		
Andrew Killick		X		X		
Tom Brown	4th (3)	X		X		
Will Ridley	1st (6)	X		X		
Eric Noden		X		X		
Ross Davison		X		X		
Valerie Johnson	6th (1)	X		X		
David Rankin		X		X		
Donald Buchanan	5th (2)	X		X		
Ryan Ross		X		X		
Cameron Baskerville		X		X		
B Piping						
Jason Baird	1st (6)		X		X	
Kaj Sullivan			X		X	
Zachary Dwyer	6th (1)		X		X	
Chris MacDonnell			X		X	
Kathleen McKinnon			X		X	
Alexandra Blockley	3rd (4)		X		X	
Rachelle Renaud	5th (2)		X		X	
Marshall MacPherson	4th (3)		X		X	

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MacCulloch	2nd (5)	X	X
Jeff Stellick		X	X

A**Drumming**

Eric Wilson	1st (6)	X	X
Richard May	2nd (5)	X	X

B**Drumming**

Shaun Melnyk	1st (6)	X	X
James Johnson	2nd (5)	X	X

Ceremonial Gaurds Pipes and Drums Opportunities

The Ceremonial Gaurd Pipes and Drums are looking for musicians! Application deadline of November 4, 2011.

Have a look at [THIS PAMPHLET](#)

Passages

October 1, 2011 - John Blair Kerr



It is with great sorrow we announce the passing of John Blair Kerr (M.W.O. (Ret.) RCAF) on October 1, 2011 at the age of 82. John was a former lead tip of Shotts and Dykehead Caledonia, McNish Distillery Pipe Band, and Dunvegan Pipeband. He was also a drumming adjudicator and instructor. John was an active member in the area and will be missed. Our condolences to John's family and friends. A ceilidh will be held to celebrate John's rich life on October 14, 2011, 4:30 p.m. , at The Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 638, 70 Hines Road, Kanata, Ontario. Please see the [Official Obituary](#) in the Ottawa Citizen for details

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It is our sad duty to announce that CWO (Ret'd) E.J. (Ted) Moffatt former pipe major of both the Cameron highlanders and the Ottawa police pipe bands died Sat October 15, at approximately 1630 from a cardiac event.

Funeral arrangements are with Hulse, Playfair and McGarry at the West Chapel, 150 Woodroffe Avenue, (at Byron), Ottawa, Ontario K2A 3T9. Visitation will be held on Thursday, 20 October 2:00 – 4:00 pm and 7:00 – 9:00 pm. Funeral service will be at the chapel at HP&M on Friday at 10:30 am. There will be a reception there after the service.

Ted's obituary is published in the [Ottawa Citizen](#)

Our condolences to Ted's family and friends on their loss.

Bagpipes for Sale

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Dunbar P3 pipes with a small, long bag, a Ross Canister System and many more improvements and extra parts (all very well maintained), a Korg Chromatic Tuner CA-30, a Tru-Tone Practice Chanter, a Fagerstrom Electronic Chanter all in a Deluxe Ben Bhraggie soft bag. Asking \$1,500.00. For further information call 613-258-0924.
Yours in Piping, Wayne B. Corrigan DMaj

Items for Sales

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1. Heavyweight kilt; Maple Leaf tartan; perfect condition; W 42" Drop 27"; \$350.00
2. Heavyweight military kilt; Royal Stewart tartan; good condition; W 36" Drop 26.5"; \$200.00
3. Heavyweight piper's plaid-MacPherson tartan; excellent condition; valued at \$500-\$600; \$200.00
4. Vintage (1900) cocus wood David Glen bagpipes with original chanter, zip bag, synthetic drone reeds, Kinnaird moisture control system, chanter reed, cover, cords and case. \$4900.00 as described or \$4500.00 as sticks only.
5. Vintage blackwood Glen bagpipes (? 1920's)-professionally restored with new imitation ivory mounts. Being sold as sticks only for \$2000.00

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\$150.00 or best reasonable offer.

8. Used HLI brown leather sporran-best offer over \$60.00
9. Used day dress green tweed jacket-size 36; good condition; best offer over \$125.00*Please add 13% HST to the above prices.

Contact Ross Brown at rbrown06@cogeco.ca

Bagpipes for Sale

Bagpipes for Sale Two sets of silver (fully hallmarked) and (elephant) ivory bagpipes for sale: Both sets are completely original with no cracks, warps, or replacement pieces, and both stands are in immaculate condition. 1. Henderson/Hardie - hallmarked 1978 2. Grainger and Campbell - hallmarked 1971 Asking \$4500 (each) (but will consider offers) CDN for each set. For further information, or to arrange a viewing, please contact Troy Guindon at: troyguindon@explornet.com or 613-930-2286

Bagpipes for Sale

Bagpipes for Sale 1. Set of Robertson bagpipes (pre-WW1); wood-mounted projection mounts with nickel ferrules; casein ring caps; recently refurbished; MG drone reeds; Gibson pipe chanter with Elliott reed; cords, cover and case. 2. Set of Glen bagpipes (80-90 years old); button mounted, celluloid ring caps; nickel ferrules, drone reeds; cords, cover and case Both sets of pipes in excellent playing condition. Prices available upon request. Contact Jack Yourt at Phone/Fax: 613-774-3622 or at Email: jcyourt@gmail.com

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