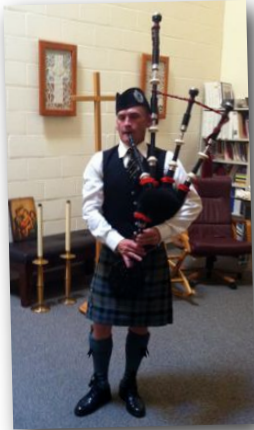




# NEWSLETTER

## Last Edition for Spring 2011

*Ottawa Branch Indoor and Kingston Scottish Festival...*



(Above Left) Piper: Jason Baird  
 (Above Middle) Piper: Evelyn Brunton (Above Right) Drummer: Jenna McMullen

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The Ottawa Branch Indoor Games took place May 7 at St. Michael's High School in Kemptville. A large contingent of soloists competed in the morning and 12 bands competed in the afternoon. Congratulations to all competitors as well as the new event organizing committee (the branch executive) for a fun event! See the results section.

Following the successful event in Kemptville, The Rob Roy organization hosted the newly re-branded Kingston Scottish Festival just north of Kingston, at the Rideau Acres camp ground. Although the rain held off, for a rather reasonable day, the preceding week of rain had made the ground quite soft. This made for a rather interesting, and muddy event for soloists, bands and highland dancers, not to mention the stuck bus.....results are posted on the band website as well as in this newsletter.

On a final note, this will be the last edition for this season. The newsletter will start up again in the fall along with the 2011/2012 knock-out competitions. Good luck to all competitors this summer! - Editor

### Change in the Executive

The Executive and members of the Ottawa Branch of the PPBSO would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to John Wright, for his years of service and contributions to the branch, most recently in the position of treasurer. John has elected to step down from the position of treasurer, due to the demands of his international teaching responsibilities. We thank him for his contributions to the branch activities over the last years, and wish him all the best. The Executive would like to thank Chris Dodson for stepping into the role of treasurer, to serve out the remainder of the term. Thank you Chris for jumping in. Welcome to the Executive!

**New newsletter format! Comments welcome.**

## NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Sons of Scotland invited to play at Rideau Hall**

The Sons of Scotland has been invited to perform at Rideau Hall on June 30. They shall play for the reception for the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge on their first overseas visit. This great opportunity celebrates the connection the band enjoys with both their Vice Regal Patron, Governor General David Johnston and the Royal Family, having played in a private performance for Her Majesty the Queen at Balmoral Castle in Scotland. The party will also be attended by the Prime Minister and various members of the Canadian government and local VIPs. Pipe Major Bethany Bisailion will play again for the Royal couple on July 1 at a national Citizenship ceremony and present a tune written by herself and her brother, Pipe Major Lochie Bisailion that will be played for their entrance to the ceremony. The Sons also welcome everyone to come out on July 28 to their annual 'B In The Park' concert being held in Major's Hill Park. Joining the band for their 8th annual concert is the Dartmouth and District Pipe Band, with more entertainment to be announced. Tickets only \$10.00 and are available through the Sons site at [www.sospb.com](http://www.sospb.com) and at the show! Visit the band site for updates on this terrific show, and we hope to see you at 'B In The Park'.

**Change of venue for Smiths Falls Spring Fling**

Due to circumstances beyond the organizers' control, the Smiths Falls School will not be available to host the Annual Spring Fling next April. However, the organizers have had discussions with the Town of Smiths Falls and the PPBSO Ottawa Branch and are happy to announce that they will be hosting the new and improved **\*Spring Fling\*** on **\*Saturday June 16th, 2012\***, along the canal in downtown Smiths Falls. This will be an outdoor event. The organizers hope that the bands that were able to attend the Spring Fling in the past will be able to attend next year, along with a few more bands and soloists. Current plans call for charging competition entry fees only.

Please keep that date in mind for next year. **\*June 16th, 2012\*** for the 7th Annual **\*Spring Fling\***

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FOR SALE

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Yours in Piping,  
Wayne B. Corrigan DMaj

**“Name the Newsletter” Contest!**

The new newsletter needs a new name. We are still accepting ideas. Submit your ideas to the editor, James van de Ven. The top five ideas will be announced in an upcoming newsletter. Vote for your favourite and win! Prizes will be provided for the winning name and one lucky voter. Stay tuned!

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RCMP PIPES AND DRUMS 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CONCERT

In 1997, as part of its 125th anniversary celebrations, the RCMP formed a “Tartan Committee” to design a unique tartan for the RCMP and to consider orders of dress for RCMP pipers and drummers. In April, 1998, the Commissioner and Senior Executive Committee (SEC) approved the recommendations and authorized a kilted uniform for RCMP community bands of pipes & drums comprised of serving and retired members of the Force, employees, and citizen volunteers. Both decisions were extremely successful, with the unique RCMP tartan having become extremely well known and popular, and there now being seven RCMP community pipe bands formed across Canada.

The RCMP Pipes & Drums of the National Capital Region (NCR) were established in the spring of 2000 through the significant efforts of RCMP Inspector Graham Muir and P/M (Inspector) Patrick Hayes of the Ottawa Police Service Pipe Band. The partnership with the OPS allowed the RCMP pipe band a firm foundation from its very inception and the two bands have remained close partners ever since.

On Sunday 10 April the RCMP Pipes and Drums presented an especially entertaining concert at the beautiful Dominion Chalmers United Church in downtown Ottawa bringing a conclusion to the celebration of the band’s tenth anniversary. As the Ottawa Police Service Pipe Band had such a significant part to play in the early days of the RCMP pipe band, it was only appropriate that the RCMP were joined on stage by the OPS for this special event. Hosted by CBC’s Rob Clipperton, the concert also featured the RCMP and OPS Highland Dancers, the Loch Murray Irish Dancers, singers Garth and Brad Hampson, Luba Sluzar Pope on the piano, and very special guest recitalist, reigning Northern Meeting Gold Medalist, Andrew Hayes. Performing to a near capacity audience of 1,000, including VIP guests RCMP Commissioner William Elliott, Ottawa Police Chief Vernan White, and the British High Commissioner His Excellency Dr Andrew Pocock, the concert also raised \$5,000 for the Big Brothers and Big Sisters Ottawa organization.

The 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary concert was a special way for the RCMP Pipes and Drums to conclude their first ten years. The band and dancers look forward to many, many more years of performing regularly for the public in support of regional and local community endeavours including charity fundraisers, fairs, festivals, parades, sport and cultural awards ceremonies, and parading for the RCMP as part of their official duties, including State and official occasions, and associated RCMP ceremonial functions.



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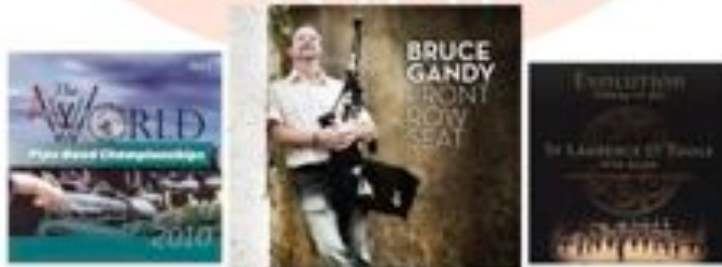
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RESULTS



**Ottawa Branch Indoor Games (Kemptville) 2011**

Event Name	First	Second	Third
Drumming- Gr. 5 Snare	Jenna McMullen	Kiernan Alexander	James Wallace Johnson
Drumming- Gr. 4 Snare	MacGregor van de Ven	Sophia Attwells	Jason Minnie
Drumming- Gr. 3 Snare	Shawn Melnyk		
Drumming- Open Snare MSR	Erica Pulling		
Piping- Practice Chanter	Kathleen McKinnon	Craig McPherson	Finley van de Ven
Piping- Gr. 5 March	Branna MacDougall	Andrew Robertson	Taylor Young Milage
Piping- Gr. 4 March Section A	Anna Savage	Mack Cornelisse	Tyler Hickman
Piping- Gr. 4 March Section B	Alexander Robertson	Alexandra Blockley	Lynn Cummings
Piping- Gr. 3 March	John Steele	Jason Baird	Jordon McConnell
Piping- Gr.3 Strathspey/Reel	John Steele	Lochie Biaillion	Jordon McConnell
Piping - Gr.2 March	Eric Noden	Valerie Cooke Johnson	
Piping - Gr.2 Strathspey/Reel	Valerie Cooke Johnson	Eric Noden	
Piping - Gr.2 Jig	Eric Noden	Valerie Cooke Johnson	
Piping- Gr.1 March	MacGregor van de Ven	Donald Buchanan	Tom Brown
Piping- Gr.1 Strathspey/Reel	Liam Melville	MacGregor van de Ven	Tom Brown
Piping - Gr.1 Jig	MacGregor van de Ven	Liam Melville	Tom Brown
Piping- Novice Piobaireachd	Kaj Sullivan	James van de Ven	Jordon McConnell
Piping- Junior Piobaireachd	Ryan Kavanagh	John Steele	Jason Baird
Piping- Intermediate Piobaireachd	Dave Campbell	Eric Noden	
Piping - Senior Piobaireachd	Ross Davison	MacGregor van de Ven	Tom Brown
Band- Gr. 5 March Medley	Rob Roy Pipe Band Gr. 5	Sons of Scotland	Glengarry Pipe Band
Band - Gr. 4 March Medley	Arnprior MacNab P&D	Highland Mist Pipe Band	Sons of Scotland Pipe Band
Band - Gr. 2 Medley	Rob Roy Pipe Band Gr. 2		

RESULTS (CONTINUED)



**Kingston Scottish Festival**

Event Name	First Place	Second Place	Third Place
<b>Drumming</b>			
Gr. 5 Snare	Catherine Cairns	William Douglas	James W. Johnson
Gr. 4 Snare	MacGregor van de Ven	Sophia Attwells	Jason Minnie
Gr. 3 Snare	Brian Turner	Shaun Melnyk	
Gr. 2 Snare (MSR)	Erica Pulling		
Gr. 2 Snare (H/J) Snare	Erica Pulling		
<b>Tenor Drumming</b>			
Novice Solo Rhythm Tenor			
Amateur Solo Bass	Doug Matthews		
Novice Solo Bass			
<b>Piping (Light Music)</b>			
Practice Chanter	Finley van de Ven	Bronis MacDougall	Kathleen MacKinnon
Gr. 5 Piping (March)	Branna MacDougall	Andrew Robertson	Craig McPherson
Gr. 4 Piping (March) A	Andrew Mansfield	Justin Ried	Ian Noble
Gr. 4 Piping (March) B	Marshal Chamberlain	Alexandra Blockley	Cameron Ferguson
Gr. 3 Piping (March)	Ryan Kavanagh	Conner Lamont	John Steele
Gr. 3 Piping (S/R)	Connor Lamont	John Steele	Walter McLeish
Gr. 2 Piping (March)	Valerie Cooke Johnson		
Gr. 2 Piping (S/R)	Valerie Cooke Johnson		
Gr. 1 Piping (March)	MacGregor van de Ven	Ross Davison	Donald Buchanan
Gr. 1 Piping (S/R)	MacGregor van de Ven	Ross Davison	Chris Dodson
<b>Piobaireachd</b>			
Novice Piobaireachd	Marshal MacPherson	Christopher MacDonnell	James van de Ven
Junior Piobaireachd	Ryan Kavanagh	Elizabeth Day	Ellie Hastings
Intermediate Piobaireachd	Dave Campbell	Edward Watt	Teresa McNeil
Senior Piobaireachd	MacGregor van de Ven	Ross Davison	Chris Dodson
<b>Band Competition</b>			
Grade 5 March Medley	Rob Roy Pipe Band	Hamilton Police Pipe Band	Glengarry Pipe Band
Grade 4 Medley	Arnprior McNab Pipe Band	Niagara Police Pipe Band	Highland Mist Pipe Band
Grade 3 Medley	400 Squadron Pipe Band	Toronto Police Pipe Band	Hamilton Police Pipe Band
Grade 2 Medley	Rob Roy Pipe Band	Ottawa Police	

# Your Branch Executive - 2011



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## Calendar

**July 1st, 2011**  
Embros Highland Games

**July 2nd, 2011**  
Kincardine Highland Games

**July 16th, 2011**  
Cambridge Highland Games

**July 29th, 2011**  
Glengarry Highland Games (Maxville)

**August 20th, 2011**  
North Lanark Highland Games (Almonte)

## RESPONSIBILITIES

The Branch Executive is elected every spring and serves the branch members by organizing Branch events and workshops. Throughout the late fall and winter months, "Knock-out" competitions are held to keep players sharp as well as boost participation in piping and drumming in the Eastern Ontario area. Occasionally, workshops with guest instructors, as well as other non-competitive events can be held throughout the year.

During the competition season, the executive organizes and/or assists with in-door and outdoor games. Other responsibilities include the newsletter, and website although these tasks are sometimes performed by volunteers. If you have ideas or feedback, the executive is there to listen. If you would like to help out by volunteering, let the executive know as they are always happy for the assistance.