

Innerleithen & Tweedvale Pipe Band May 2007

The season is almost here!!

Welcome to the second newsletter of 2007. It's designed to keep band members and everyone interested in the band and the world of piping up to date with band information.

UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY 2007

Fri 11 Introduction of Standard Bearer, Memorial Hall, Innerleithen

Sat 12 Pipe Band Contest, Dunbar

Fri 18 Private Wedding, Norton House Hotel, Edinburgh

Sat 19 Scottish Pipe Band Championships, Dumbarton

Sat 26 Pipe Band Contest, Bathgate

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Band Newsletter - Info for you!!

READ ME!!!

COMPETITIONS

Competition Dates

DETAILS FOR DUNBAR CONTEST

At Dunbar, the band is drawn to play **9th out of 14 bands in Grade 3**; Contest starts at 13.30pm, **playing time will be approx. 14.26pm**. The band is drawn to play **12th out of 15 bands in Grade 2**; contest starts at 14.45pm, **playing time will be approx. 16.08pm**

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

The bus departs at the following times:
Innerleithen 10.15am
Peebles 10.30am
Penicuik 10.45am

DETAILS FOR SCOTTISH

At the Scottish Championships, the band is drawn to play **12th out of 15 bands in Grade 3B**; Contest starts at 10.25am, **playing time will be 11.53am**.

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

The bus departs at the following times:
Innerleithen 7.15am
Peebles 7.30am
Penicuik 7.45am

DETAILS FOR BATHGATE CONTEST

At Bathgate, the band is drawn to play **16th out of 16 bands in Grade 3**; Contest starts at 13.00pm, **playing time will be approx. 14.47pm**. The band is drawn to play **6th out of 10 bands in Grade 2**; contest starts at 14.00pm, **playing time will be approx. 14.40pm**

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

The bus departs at the following times:
Innerleithen 11.15am
Peebles 11.30am
Penicuik 11.45am

EVENTS

Playing Dates

Playing Engagements

11 May 2007 - Introduction of Standard Bearer, Memorial Hall, Innerleithen
18 May Private Engagement – Wedding, Norton House Hotel, Edinburgh
2 June 2007 - Performance at Hawick Highland Games
9 June 2007 - Coffee Morning, Vale Club, Innerleithen
23 June 2007 Beltane Saturday, Peebles
24 June 2007 - War Memorial Service (1 piper only), Walkerburn
25 June 2007 - Festival Lad/Lass Procession (2 pipers), Walkerburn
29 June 2007 - Fancy Dress Parade/Torchlight Procession, Walkerburn

Games Week

14 July 2007 - Standard Bearer's Ball, St Ronan's Primary School, Innerleithen
15 July 2007- Programme of Music, Innerleithen High Street
19 July 2007 - Fancy Dress Parade, Innerleithen High Street
20 July 2007 - Service at War Memorial, Memorial Hall, Innerleithen
21 July 2007 - Games Saturday - Flower Parade, Clubs, Retreat, Clubs, Torchlight Parade, Innerleithen

Please note that these lists are liable to change at short notice.

PLAYERS - PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR AVAILABILITY FORM TO THE BAND SECRETARY ASAP.

JUDGES 2007

The following list of judges has been announced by the RSPBA for the Major Championships this season, though these are of course subject to change.

Scottish

P1: D. Ingram
P2: J. Hutcheon
D: J. Drysdale
E: T. Dear

British

P1: Stevenson
P2: P. Snaddon
D: H. Russell
E: J. Baxter

European

P1: I. McLellan
P2: A. Grant
D: C. Mordaunt
E: A. Ronaldson

Worlds

P1: Edgar
P2: Young
D: Craig
E: J. Noble

Cowal

P1: B. Worrall
P2: W. Pollock
D: H. Russell
E: Aitken

See Column Three for judges announced so far for minor contests.

PLAYING REQUIREMENTS 2007

The following playing requirements have been announced for the 2007 playing season:

MAJOR CONTESTS SCOTTISH

MSR

BRITISH

Medley

EUROPEANS

Medley

WORLDS

Medley

COWAL

MSR

MINOR CONTESTS

DUNBAR

G3 - MSR

G2 - Medley

BATHGATE

G3 - Medley

G2 - Medley

HAWICK

G3 - Medley

G2 - Medley

INNERLEITHEN

G3 - Medley

G2 - MSR

NORTH BERWICK

G3 - Medley

G2 - MSR

MELROSE

G3 - MSR

G2 - Medley

PEEBLES

G3 - Medley

G2 - Medley

JUDGES 2007

The following lists of judges has been announced for the following contests:

Dunbar

Piping: Robert Matheson and David Barnes

Drumming: Jim Hutton and Willie Goodall

Please note that when the RSPBA website was checked for this information (8/5/07), the judges had not been put into teams nor assigned grades.

Bathgate

Grade 3

Piping: Tom Brown

Drumming: Joe Noble

Grade 2

Piping: Harry McNulty

Drumming: J. McInnes

NEWS ITEMS

WEBSITE

As you know the band has its own website which is a useful tool to keep everyone up to date with what is happening with the band. Your help is requested with the content for the site – photos (preferably in digital format) are especially welcome but any feedback or ideas for the site would be appreciated. The site can be found with any of the following URL's:

www.innerleithenpipeband.com

www.tweedvalepipeband.com

www.innerleithenpipeband.org.uk

HAWICK CONTEST

The Hawick contest has definitely been CANCELLED. Instead the band, along with others, has been asked to play at the Highland Games which is still going to be held on the same day. The band will earn £400 for this engagement. Travel details to follow.

Some Thoughts:

If we wait for the moment when everything, absolutely everything is ready, we shall never begin.

- Ivan Turgenev

"Build a man a fire, and he'll be warm for a day. Set a man on fire, and he'll be warm for the rest of his life." - Terry Pratchett.

If one synchronised swimmer drowns, do all the rest have to drown too?" - Steven Wright.

"Beauty is in the eye of the beer holder"

- Anon