



The Royal Scottish Pipe Band Association

(North of Scotland Branch)

Confined Solo Piping Contest - Saturday 4th November 2017

The Gordon Schools, Huntly. AB54 4SE

General Contest Rules

The contest will be conducted under the rules of the RSPBA, subject to Branch Rules.

1. Date of the Contest is **4th November 2017**
2. Closing Date for Entries is Saturday **14th October 2017** at 5:00 pm
Late Entries **will not** be accepted.
3. Completed Entry forms must be returned to the Secretary (details below) by the Closing Date.
4. Entry Fees are as per the Entry Form. Payment in full **must** accompany the Entry Form.
Cheques only, must be made payable to: **RSPBA North of Scotland Branch**
Fee is non-returnable if competitor withdraws.
5. **TROPHIES:** Branch rules stipulate that all trophies from the previous competition **must be returned to the Trophy Convenor** (details below) **on, or before the Closing Date**, (or exceptionally to the Branch Secretary by prior arrangement). Please make contact by telephone or by e-mail to confirm arrangements. It is the member Band's responsibility to ensure trophies are returned clean and in good condition as stipulated above. The member Band shall bear the cost of any repair, and, in the case of any loss, the replacement value as determined by the Management Committee.

Failure to comply means that any entry will be excluded from the contest draw. Also, in accordance with the rules of The Company, the Directors may levy a fine for late return of trophies of £50 per trophy capped at £250 per member Band. All amounts shall be notified in writing and recovery made from the member Band, not an individual band member. Until such time as all monies due are paid to the Treasurer the member Band will be suspended and unable to participate in any RSPBA activities. Thank you for your full cooperation.
6. The Playing requirements are as per the Entry Form. Any changes to playing requirements are subject to Director's approval in advance of the competition.
7. Each Band will have a Band Representative, who will be responsible for their Band's compliance with any Accommodation Rules of Let.
8. Each Competitor will be given a time to play. It is the responsibility of the Competitor, or their Band representative, to ensure they arrive at the designated performance area ready to play at the allocated time; Competitors not ready to play at the allocated time may be disqualified.
9. Details of the Draw will be published on Branch media.
10. **All** withdrawals or non-attendances from the competition must be notified to the Branch Secretary at least one hour prior to the competition starting time for that Grade. In case of transport breakdown, please contact the Secretary (details below).



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Contest Specific rules

1. This Contest is confined to members of Bands from the North of Scotland Branch.
2. **ONLY ONE ENTRANT PER ENTRY FORM**
3. Age will be that attained on the day of the contest
4. **Section 1** - Competitors must not yet be playing the bagpipes.
5. All pipers are allowed 2 mins. tuning time on the contest floor
6. **Section 2, 3, 4 & 5** Competitors in these sections only, are allowed a tutor to tune their instrument
7. **Section 2** - Competitors may also compete in Section 3, 4 & 5
8. **Section 3** - Competitors may also compete in Section 4 & 5
9. **Section 4** - Competitors may also compete in Section 5
10. **Section 5** - Competitors may also compete in Section 4

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Entry Form

Full Name:

Date of Birth..... Age on day of Contest:

Address:

Telephone: Band:

Email address:

BAGPIPES

Please tick Section entered: **Entry Fee**

Section 1 – 12 years & Under - Chanter – 2 parts March Tempo 1 **£5**

Sections 2-5 will pay a maximum of £15.00 for as many entries as required

Section 2 – 13 years & Under - 2 parts Slow Air & 4 parts March Tempo 2 **£5**

Section 3 – 15 years & Under - 2 parts Slow Air & 4 parts March Tempo 3 **£5**

Section 4 – 17 years & Under - March, Strathspey & Reel. Min 4 parts each 4 **£5**

Section 5 – 17 years & Under - Hornpipe & Jig. Min 4 parts each 5 **£5**

Section 4 & 5 Combine Overall Winner (MSR Preference if tied).

Section 6 – 18 years & Over - March, Strathspey & Reel. Min. 4 parts each. 6 **£10**

Section 7 – 18 years & Over - Hornpipe & Jig. Min 4 parts each. 7 **£10**

Section 6 & 7 Combine Overall Winner (MSR Preference if tied).

Section 8 – Piobaireachd - 15 years & Under – Ground & 1st Variation 8 **£5**

Section 9 – Piobaireachd - Open - up to 15 mins including tuning 9 **£10**

TOTAL ENTRY FEE £ _____

Please Refer to Contest Specific Rules for Conditions of Entry