154TH WAIPU HIGHLAND GAMES

SOLO PIPING PROGRAMME

Where Legends are made

Established 1871

Tir nam Beann's nam Gleann's nam Gaisgeach

- The country of the mountains, the glens and the heroes

Nemo Me Impune Lacessit

- No one injures me with impunity

Thursday December 31st 2026
Caledonian Park Waipu Northland NZ
Commencing 9.00am

(Wet weather venue, Waipu Primary School)

ADJUDICATORS:

Liam Kernaghan, Auckland - Helen McGregor Memorial Medley

Iain Hines, Wellington - A Grade & Under 21s - Piobaireachd

George Mason, Wellington - A Grade & Under 21s - Piobaireachd

Murray Mansfield, Palmerston North - A Grade - Light music & Under 21s NZ Championship 2/4 March

Marion Horsburgh, Wellington - A Grade - Light Music & Under 21s NZ Championship 2/4 March

Revel MacIntyre, Wellington - B Grade - Light Music & Under 21s Light Music

Iain Blakeley, Northland - B & C Grade Piobaireachd

Colin Caddick, Wellington - D & C Grade – Light Music

Colin Caddick, Wellington - Practise Chanter

Colin Caddick, Wellington - Novice Piping

WAIPU CALEDONIAN SOCIETY
EST. 1871
Waipu is at the heart of everything we do

The Waipu Caledonian Society Inc.

Comunn Na H-alba Waipu

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GRADE	No	EVENT	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Fee
Open	0	Solo Medley: Helen McGregor Memorial Trophy, To be played on Wednesday 30th Dec at 5.30pm in the Celtic Barn (Not under P&D Rules)	$300	$200	$100	$50	$30
Open		Grant Downie Memorial Trophy - Most Points					
Open	1	**North Island Championship 2/4 March – Angus MacDonald trophy**	$200	$150	$100	$50	$20
Open	2	Strathspey & Reel - Cock O' the North Trophy	$200	$150	$100	$50	$20
Open	3	Piobaireachd - Centennial Shield	$300	$200	$100	$50	$30
Open	4	March, Strathspey & Reel - Iain Robertson Memorial Cup	$200	$150	$100	$50	$20
	5	Hornpipe & Jig - Fraser Trophy	$200	$150	$100	$50	$20
Under 21		Moon Family Trophy - Most Points Under 21 Years					
U 21	6	**NZ Championship 2/4 March - Qualifying event William Boyle Memorial Scholarship**	$100	$80	$40	$20	$10
U 21	7	Strathspey & Reel	$100	$80	$40	$20	$10
U 21	8	Piobaireachd - Qualifying event William Boyle Memorial Scholarship	$150	$100	$50	$3	$15
U 21	9	Hornpipe & Jig	$100	$80	$40	$20	$10
B Grade		McLennan Memorial Trophy - Most Points in B Grade					
B Grade	10	2/4 March - W. I. McGregor Cup	$100	$80	$40	$20	$10
B Grade	11	Strathspey & Reel - Allison Worthy Memorial Cup	$100	$80	$40	$20	$10
B Grade	12	Piobaireachd	$150	$100	$50	$30	$15
B Grade	13	March Strathspey & Reel - Finlayson Trophy	$100	$80	$40	$20	$10
B Grade	14	Hornpipe & Jig	$100	$80	$40	$20	$10
Veterans	15	Veteran Pipers (minimum age 55)	$50	$30			$5
C Grade		Fleming Shield - most points in C Grade					
C Grade	16	2/4 March - Rev McFarlane Cup	$50	$25	$15	$10	$5
C Grade	17	Piobaireachd - Submit one whole tune	$60	$40	$15	$10	$6
C Grade	18	Strathspey & Reel	$50	$25	$15	$10	$5
C Grade	19	Hornpipe & Jig	$50	$25	$15	$10	$5
D Grade		Donnelly Trophy – Most points in D Grade					
D Grade	20	2/4 March - Iris McLeod Cup	$25	$15	$10	$5	$4
D Grade	21	Piobaireachd - Ground plus 1 variation	$30	$20	$10	$5	$4
D Grade	22	Strathspey & Reel	$25	$15	$10	$5	$4
Novice	23	Piobaireachd - Ground only	$25	$15	$10	$5	$4
Novice	24	Novice March consisting of 2 parts of a March - of any time signature	$20	$15	$10	$5	$3
Novice	25	Novice Slow Air of at least 2 parts	$20	$15	$10	$5	$3
Practice Chanter	26	Practice Chanter - open to all Learners	$15	$10			$2
		Steve Arblaster Memorial Trophy - Most Points in any grade for a competitor residing in Northland					

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Conditions of Entry

This Competition shall be conducted under the rules of the Piping & Dancing Assn of NZ except for No's 0, 15 & 26. Every competitor shall produce a membership certificate for the current year when asked to do so and if unable to do so may be required to apply for membership forthwith.

P&D Rules relating to Pipers Dress will be adhered to. In the event of a tie for a trophy aggregate marks will be used.

- **Rule 37 regarding tuning will be enforced.** Competitors risk disqualification if they are not ready to play when called upon.
- No New Zealand, North Island or Centre Championship shall be awarded unless there are not fewer than 5 competitors in the event and the Judge certifies the winning performance is of standard to merit the award of the Championship.

Competitors MUST report to Board Stewards at least 5 minutes prior to each event, otherwise their right to compete may be forfeited. Tuning time at the board will be at the judge's discretion.

All events:	3 entries - 1st Prize only awarded.
5 entries:	1st & 2nd Prizes awarded.
7 entries:	1st, 2nd & 3rd Prizes awarded.
15 or more entries:	A 4th Prize will be awarded

NOTE: Any competitor who is a previous winner of D Grade events is advised to enter other grades

General Piping Notes

- Event 0 Music: Own choice of any tunes lasting no less than 6 minutes and no more than 8 minutes
- All Premier & Open Grade events require three tunes of each time signature to be submitted to the Board Steward on the day of competition.
- B Grade competitors must submit 2 x tunes each event. Judges nominate which tune to play.
- Under 21 events require 2 x tunes in each event to be submitted to Board Steward prior to event.
- Novice Event is for competitors who have not won a Novice competition before.
- Pipers may enter in their own grade and one above.
- Event 15. Music: Own choice. Minimum playing time of 3 minutes - maximum 5 minutes.
- Winning Pipers MUST wear correct Highland dress for Trophy presentation.
- All major trophies will be presented on the main stage at the end of the day.
- Points are allocated according to NZ P&D association. 5 for first, 3 for second & 1 for third.

The U21 Piobaireachd event will be held in conjunction with the B Grade Piobaireachd. **Prize Money will be awarded in both classes and U21 Competitors can pay & compete for both events in this competition.** The second event for WBM scholarship competitors will be the U21 2/4 March. **The first four place-getters in these TWO events will qualify for WBM Scholarship placing.**

PLEASE NOTE:

No Animals are allowed into the Caledonian Park.

This is a Health Dept, requirement and will be enforced by our Security Staff

ENTRIES CLOSE: on the Monday 23rd November 2026. Late Entries will be accepted with a one off $20.00 fee.

ENTRY FORMS: are available on the website.

ON THE DAY:
All competition stops at 12:00pm for Pipers to assemble for the lunch time Parade and Official Opening Ceremony, all *Pipers and Drummers are expected to participate*

All Trophies are to be returned fully polished and with your name engraved on it.

Trophies can be returned either to the Chief Piping Steward's office on December 31st 2026 or couriered to the Waipu Caledonian Society by the 31st of October if you are not attending the 2026 Waipu Highland Games.

If there are factors outside our control, we reserve the right to alter this program.

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Email to:
secretary@wcs.org.nz

Before 31st October 2026

SOLO PIPING ENTRY FORM

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Name In Full	
Address	
Date of Birth (if under 21)	Email

Grade	Event	Event Name	Entry Fee
		Sponsorship of an event would be greatly appreciated	
		TOTAL	$0.00

Note: Competitors will receive a free gate & car pass. All others must pay! Adults $20
PLEASE NOTE - LATE ENTRIES will incur a penalty of $20
Please pay by direct debit to 03-1538-0034119-001 Waipu Caledonian Society, Ref: your name.

Signature	Current Regn No	Date	Centre

ENTRIES CLOSE MONDAY 23rd NOVEMBER 2026

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FOR MORE INFORMATION AND ENQUIRIES PLEASE CONTACT
Piping Enquiries Kelly Sandford Email: secretary@wcs.org.nz
Pipe Major Mr. Bain McGregor – Phone: 09 432 0527 or 027 497 9013. Email: bainmcgregor@hotmail.co.nz

"By entering this competition or event, I hereby grant the Piping and Dancing Association of New Zealand the right to use my name and image (photograph or video) in any media publication, website or Association publication". ◯ YES ◯ NO

EMAIL FORM

If you elect not to grant the Association/Society the right to use your image, it is your responsibility to remove yourself from situations where photos are likely to be taken, such as at presentation time. The Association does not guarantee that your image will not be published as part of a larger group or performance photograph, and by participating in the competition or event you automatically waive your rights in respect of such images