



Every Beat
Every Note
Every Flourish



77th All Ireland Pipe Band Championships 2024

Syllabus

The Championships are under the joint auspices of Cumann Buíon Píobaire na hÉireann (Irish Pipe Band Association) & the Royal Scottish Pipe Band Association (Northern Ireland Branch)

Venue: Newbridge House Demesne, Donabate, Co Dublin
Date: Saturday 6th July 2024
Closing date for entries: Saturday 8th June 2024
Competitions will commence at: 11.00 am

Entries

Entries to be completed via IPBA Secretary
at sheehanjohn54@gmail.com 00353 (0)87-2314444
or via the RSPBANI website at www.rspbani.org

Payment has to be made at the time of entry.

Entry Fees

Grades: 4b (5), 4a, 3b & 3a	£15/€17
Grades: 2 & 1	£20/€22
Drum Majors (all grades)	£6/€8

Music Requirements

Grade 4b (5)	2mins 30sec – 4mins 30sec in Quick March (any time signature) or 4 x 2 parted Marches from the <u>RSPBA list of prescribed tunes</u>
Grade 4a	1 x 4 parted Marches or 2 x 2 parted Marches, 1 x 4 Parted Strathspey or 2 x 2 parted Strathspeys and 1 x 4 Parted Reel or 2 x 2 Parted Reels from the <u>RSPBA list of prescribed tunes</u>
Grades 3b & 3a	MSR
Grade 2	Medley (4 to 6 minutes)

Grade 1 MSR [max 4pts per tune, submit 2] set to be drawn on the line
+
Medley (5 to 7 minutes) [submit 2] own choice

Prizes

Pipe Bands					
Grade 4b (5)			Grade 4a		
1 st	St Patrick's Annsborough Cup	€195	1 st	Lar Cullen Cup	€195
2 nd	R.McComb Mem. Shield	€185	2 nd	Kilkenny City P.B. Trophy	€185
3 rd	Bank of Ireland Trophy	€165	3 rd	Essey Shield	€165
4 th	J&M Hunt Shield	€155	4 th	Noel Campbell Trophy	€155
Best Pipes	The Jemmy Russell Memorial Trophy		Best Pipes	Martin Dempsey Cup	
Best Drums	James Porter Mem. Cup		Best Drums	I.P.B.A. Cup	
Best Mid Section	P J Gallagher Cup		Best Mid Section	Thomas Lane Cup	
Best Overseas	IPBA Trophy		Best Overseas	IPBA Trophy	
Grade 3b			Grade 3a		
1 st	P J Berrill Cup	€220	1 st	James Story Cup	€220
2 nd	Peadar Wallace Trophy	€205	2 nd	Leinster Branch Trophy	€205
3 rd	Donegal Challenge Cup	€185	3 rd	Arklow Trophy	€185
4 th	Card Power Trophy	€175	4 th	Bert Gordon	€175
Best Pipes	George Duffy Cup		Best Pipes	Adrian Carrick Trophy	
Best Drums	James Lawlor Cup		Best Drums	J.A.C. Cup	
Best Mid Section	James Story Cup		Best Mid Section	Trophy	
Best Overseas	IPBA Trophy		Best Overseas	IPBA Trophy	
Grade 2			Grade 1		
1 st	J.O'Driscoll Trophy	€260	1 st	T Geddis Mem. Trophy	€385
2 nd	Teeling Cup	€230	2 nd	McAlevy Cup	€325
3 rd	Tom Farrell Cup	€220	3 rd	Mrs. T.J. Keogh Cup	€255
4 th	Sheila Henry Cup	€195	4 th	Nelson Challenge Trophy	€215
Best Pipes	Leech/Solan		Best Pipes	P/M Alex Penny Trophy	
Best Drums	McCullough/Piggott Cup		Best Drums	Prize Premier Cup	
Best Mid Section	McConnell Cup		2 nd Drums	Donovan Cup	
			Best Mid Section	James Story Trophy	
			Best MSR	Tony Markey Cup	

		Best Medley	Tommy Moore Mem. Cup

Drum Majors	
Novice Under 11 years	
Junior 11-14 years	1 st McBride Family Shield & Medals to 2 nd to 5 th places
Juvenile 14-18 years	1 st Crozier Cup & Medals to 2 nd to 5 th places
Senior over 18 years	1 st Briscoe Cup & Medals to 2 nd to 5 th places

Marching & Deportment

Contest for Marching and Deportment will be adjudicated at the 'March Past'.
Three trophies will be awarded.

Finale

Lament	For deceased members of our Associations
The Battle's O'er	In celebration of all gathered in music
The Minstrel Boy	Salute to the Chieftain

Rules

- All bands competing must be in membership of the I.P.B.A., the R.S.P.B.A. or be a band in membership of an Association which is affiliated to the I.P.B.A. or the R.S.P.B.A.
- Bands are confined to their own grade at the All Ireland Pipe Band Championships.
- Bands who enter and fail to take part and do not notify the secretary by 6pm the day prior to the contest date will be fined £25 or €30
- Bands that do not return a trophy for the contest will be disqualified from the event.
- Where more than 23 bands enter for a grade it will be split into two heats with 6 finalists from each heat qualifying for a final of 12 bands
- A dual registered Piper is allowed to play with a 4a or 4b (G5 IPBA) band but he/she must carry out the role of the Pipe Major
- Drumming Instructor: A Drummer from a higher grade band may register as Instructor with a Grade 4a or Grade 4b/5 band, and in doing so, may play in contest with, but only in addition to, a Grade 4a or Grade 4b/5 Drum Corps, but may not act as Lead Drummer
- Minimum number of players:
 - Grade 4a & b - 6 pipers, 2 side drummers, and 1 bass drummer
 - Grade 3a & b – 6 pipers, 2 side drummers, and 1 bass drummer
 - Grade 2 6 pipers, 2 side drummers, and 1 bass drummer
 - Grade 1 8 pipers, 3 side drummers, and 1 bass drummer
- All bands in Grades 4a, 3b, 3a must submit a 6/8 March as they will be required to play for Drum Majors. Failure to undertake this duty may result in sanction.
- A sub-committee comprised of the IPBA/ RSPBA Chairmen and IPBA/ RSPBA Secretaries may investigate any matter arising from the contest and shall adjudicate on any issue, complaint or protest.
- Any band wishing to complain or protest must do so in writing, clearly outlining the issue. This must be lodged at the Registration Post accompanied with a fee of £25 or €30. The decision of the sub-committee shall be final and binding on all protests or complaints.