

Cumann Buíon Píobaire na hÉireann

Leinster Branch

Craobh Laighean



## Leinster Pipe Band Championships 2025

On Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2025 the Leinster Pipe Band Championships, incorporating the Leinster Drum Majors Championships, will be staged in the grounds of Newbridge House Demesne, Donabate, Co Dublin.

The Championships are organised by the Leinster Branch IPBA and held under the auspices of Cumann Buidhean Píobaire na hÉireann, the Irish Pipe Band Association.

The event is the only pipe band contest in the Republic of Ireland, not-with-standing the All-Ireland Pipe Band Championships (biennial), to host a competitive Grade 1 section.

Bands commence competing at 11.00 hrs.

Closing Date for Entries is Monday 28th April 2025

Music Syllabus

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	Medley (3 to 5 minutes)
Grade 2	MSR
Grade 1	MSR Medley (5 to 7 minutes) - own choice

Drum Majors				
Novice	U 11 years			
Junior	11-14 years			
Juvenile	14-18 years			
Senior	over 18years			

Under Age Competitors: Confined to competitors who have not attained the age, on the  $1^{st}$  November of the previous year.

Entry Fees				
Bands – All Grades	€20/£20			
Drum Majors – All Grades	€10/£10			
Entries To				
ipba.leinster.branch <u>@gmail.com</u>				
Payment To BIC: BOFIIE2D IBAN: IE05BOFI 9000 9252 6037 27 (leave a narrative when lodging to verify entry) or Revolut: dionneuyrh				
or				
by cash or at Registration on the day of the contest				

Prize Fund

Grade	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	
Grade 4b/5	€100	€80	€60	
Grade 4a	€100	€80	€60	
Grade 3b	€100	€80	€60	
Grade 3a	€100	€80	€60	
Grade 2	€200	€150	€100	
Grade 1 Medley	€300	€200	€150	
Grade 1 MSR	€300	€200	€150	

Rules:

- Bands must register on arrival at the contest venue
- All bands can only play in the grade allotted by their association
- Grades 3a and 3b may be merged, if there are insufficient numbers entered in each grade
- To signify the end of the contest the 'The Battle's O'er' will be played by all bands.
- As a 'Salute to the Chieftain' the 'Minstrel Boy' will be played en-masse
- For the massed band tunes a designated Drum Corps will play lead, with all other drummers joining on the Double Forte
- Grades 3A and 3B may be merged
- Prizes: Prize Fund + Trophy 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and Best Drum Corps
- All trophies are perpetual
- A full Adjudication Panel will be used
- Closing Date for Entry: Monday 28th April 2025

Bands holding trophies please return them the Contest Secretary before entry closing date. Any bands returning trophies on the day please ensure they are cleaned. Thank you !

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