

# BRITISH COLUMBIA PIPERS' ASSOCIATION

## Entry Form for the 74th Annual Gathering

## April 14, 15 & 16, 2006

*Featuring invited adjudicators Roddy MacLeod, Ian K. MacDonald, Blair T. Brown*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

Prov/State \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_ Postal/ZIP Code \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

If under age 18, Birthdate (dd/mm/yy) \_\_\_\_\_

BCPA Membership # \_\_\_\_\_ Tartan \_\_\_\_\_

Pipe Major \_\_\_\_\_ Lead Drummer \_\_\_\_\_

Person responsible for band's assigned room \_\_\_\_\_

Entry Fees (per event)	CDN \$	Deposit CDN \$	US \$	Deposit US \$
Solo: Grade 1,2,3,4,5, Beginner, Adult	\$8		\$7	
Grade 1, 2 & 3 Piobaireachd	\$8	\$20	\$7	\$18
Professional (except Piobaireachd)	\$18		\$16	
Professional Piobaireachd	\$23	\$20	\$20	\$18
Bands: Grade 2, 3, 4, 5	\$55	\$200	\$49	\$180
Bands: Grade 1	\$80	\$200	\$71	\$180

**Entries including full payment must be received by March 29, 2006.**

Blair Brown Friday Drumming Workshop 10 am - 12 noon (Beg,4,3) and 1 - 3 pm (2,1,Pro)	_____	Free	
Friday Concert	Over 17 years	_____	\$12 CDN or \$10 US ea
	11-17 years	_____	\$10 CDN or \$9 US ea
Saturday Band Contest	Over 17 years	_____	\$10 CDN or \$9 US ea
	11-17 years	_____	\$6 CDN or \$5 US ea
	Under 11 years	_____	\$4 CDN or \$3 US ea
Saturday Ceilidh	11 years & Older	_____	\$5 CDN or \$4 US
Sunday Adjudicators Workshop (see overleaf for details)	_____	Free	
BCPA 2006 Grand Aggregate Tour T-Shirt (see overleaf)	_S_ _M_ _L_ _XL _XXL	\$20C /\$18U \$23C /\$20U	
Entry Fee Total			
Non-member Fee (see overleaf)			
<b>TOTAL ENCLOSED</b>			

I desire to enter the events noted here, and in consideration of your acceptance of this entry, I hereby, for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators, waive and relieve any and all claims I may have against the British Columbia Pipers' Association Annual Gathering competitions for injuries which may be suffered by me while in attendance. I have read and understand the information on this entry form.

Signature (Parent or Guardian if under age 18) \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\* Requirements are submit one of each tune and minimum four parts each tune unless stated otherwise \*\***

**\*\* Note: Friday solo events and Friday Concert are at Simon Fraser University, Burnaby.**

**Saturday solo & band events and Ceilidh are at Prince of Wales Secondary School, Vancouver SEE OVERLEAF \*\***

Place check marks in the open boxes for the events you want to enter. A blacked out box indicates the event is not offered on that day.

### PIPING

Event	Grade	Music	Requirements	Fri Apr 14	Sat Apr 15
103	Beginner	2/4 March (on Chanter)	4 parts of March. Two parted tunes permitted		
111	5	2/4 March			
112	5	Slow Air	Min 2 parts, repeats to be observed		
121	4	2/4 March			
123	4	Strathspey & Reel	2 parts each played twice or 4 parts each		
131	3	2/4 March			
132	3	Strathspey & Reel			
133	3	Piobaireachd			
141	2	March, Strathspey & Reel	*Submit 2M, 1S, & 1R		
142	2	Piobaireachd	Submit 2 tunes		
143	2	Jig & Hornpipe			
151	1	March, Strathspey & Reel	Submit 2 of each tune		
152	1	Piobaireachd	Submit 3 tunes		
154	1	Jig	Submit 2, play 1 twice		
161	Pro	March, Strathspey & Reel	Submit 4 of each tune		
162	Pro	Piobaireachd	Submit 4 tunes		
164	Pro	Jig	Submit 4, play 1 twice		
171	Adult	2/4 March			
173	Adult	6/8 March			

### SIDE DRUMMING

Event	Grade	Music	Requirements	Fri Apr 14	Sat Apr 15
202	Beginner	2/4 March (on Drum Pad)	BCPA Massed Band		
221	4	2/4 March	4 parts only		
222	4	6/8 March	4 parts only		
233	3	March, Strathspey & Reel	4-parted M, 2-parted S&R in trad MSR style		
232	3	6/8 March			
241	2	March, Strathspey & Reel			
242	2	Hornpipe & Jig			
251	1	March, Strathspey & Reel			
252	1	Hornpipe & Jig			
261	Pro	March, Strathspey & Reel	Submit 2 sets		
262	Pro	Hornpipe & Jig	Submit 2 sets		

### TENOR DRUMMING

341	2	2/4 March	4 parts only		
351	1	March, Strathspey & Reel			
362	Pro	Hornpipe & Jig			

### BANDS

812	5	Quick Marches Medley	2:45 - 4:30 minutes of Quick Marches		
821	4	Medley	3-5 minutes		
831	3	Medley	3-5 minutes		
841	2	Medley	4-6 minutes		
851	1	Medley	5-7 minutes. Submit 1		

\*Requirements Legend: M = March, S = Strathspey, R = Reel

## GENERAL INFORMATION

**Step 1:** Read the information, music and rules requirements on both pages.

**Step 2:** Place check marks in the open boxes for the events you want to enter. A blacked out box indicates the event is not offered on that day.

**Step 3:** Calculate your total entry fees using the entry fees table on the overleaf of this page. Make a cheque or money order payable to "BC Pipers Association" in the Canadian or US dollars.

**Step 4:** Complete all fields of the competitor information section on the overleaf of this page. Your BCPA Membership # is on your membership card. Sign form.

**Step 5:** Mail your completed entry form, **with list of tunes (Grade 2 & 1 Piping, Pro Piping & Drumming, and Bands)**, entry and ticket fee cheque **AND** a separate **DEPOSIT** cheque to the address to the right. **For events requiring tune submissions, competitors who do not submit tunes with their entry by the deadline will receive their selected tunes at the adjudicator's table when it is their time to compete.**

**NEW:** Competitors may enter Annual Gathering events, Concert, Band Contest and Ceilidh on-line and pay by credit card. Go to BCPA website [www.bcpipers.org](http://www.bcpipers.org) for details.

*NOTE: Professional pipers on their home association's adjudicators panel should express their interest to the BCPA Competition Secretary if they desire to adjudicate some amateur piping events at the Annual Gathering.*

### VENUES

Friday events are at Simon Fraser University Academic Quadrangle Building, 8888 University Drive, Burnaby, BC, V5A 1S6. Doors open one hour before competition starts. Competition begins 10 am (Grade 3, 2, 1 & Pro Piobaireachd), 4 pm (Pro Side Drumming), 5 pm (Pro Tenor Drumming) & **7 pm Concert by Roddy MacLeod, Ian K. MacDonald, and Blair T. Brown in the AQ 3182.** Limited food service available Friday.

**Depending on number of entries, events may start earlier. All events subject to time change.**

Saturday events are at Prince of Wales Secondary School, 2250 Eddington Drive, Vancouver, BC, V6L 2E7 (west side of Vancouver). Doors open one hour before competition starts. Competition begins 9 am (piping), 10 am (drumming), 5:30 pm band contest. **It is approximately a 35 minute drive from SFU to Prince of Wales School.** Recommended directions will be posted on [www.bcpipers.org](http://www.bcpipers.org) Limited food service available Saturday.

### BLAIR BROWN DRUMMING WORKSHOP

Blair Brown will conduct a workshop for drummers on Friday April 14, 10 am - 12 noon (for solo grades Beginner, 4, and 3) and 1:00 - 3:00 pm (for solo grades 2, 1, and Pro grades), at

**\* SEND COMPLETED ENTRIES WITH CHEQUE OR MONEY ORDER TO:**

Mrs. Moira Mack  
BCPA Competition Secretary  
8845 212A Street  
Langley, BC  
Canada, V1M 2J9

**No telephone, fax, email or late entries accepted.** For questions regarding entries, contact 604-882-0953 or [entries@bcpipers.org](mailto:entries@bcpipers.org)

**\*Entries including full payment must be received by March 29, 2006 otherwise entry will be declared invalid. No late entries accepted.**

**\*Entries received before March 1 will be noted as randomly received on March 1.**

### NON-MEMBER FEE

**\* Solo competitors and bands who are not current members of the BC Pipers Association (BCPA) or an officially recognized piping/pipe band association affiliated with the BCPA (associations in the Alliance of North American Pipe Band Associations), please add \$2.50 CDN (\$1.50 US) per solo event or \$30 CDN (\$20 US) per band to entry fee total. Non-BCPA members, please supply photocopy of your current membership card, or similar proof with your entry.**

### DEPOSIT CHEQUES

For solo grades, the competitor's deposit cheque will be returned on competing in the event requiring the deposit cheque. For band grades, the band's deposit cheque will be returned on verification by BCPA that the band room has been returned to its initial condition.

### RULES

All events are conducted under the rules of the BC Pipers Association. Competitors must perform without the aid of printed music. **All bands shall compete with 6 to 9 pipers, 2 to 3 side drummers, 1 to 2 tenor drummers, and 1 bass drummer.** All bands are to perform in Concert formation.

### SPECIAL EVENTS

Grade 5 is a pilot grade for 2006 and is for beginner level bands only. If there are fewer than three Grade 5 bands entered, the Grade 5 bands will compete in the Grade 4 band event and the best Grade 5 band will be announced as part of the results.

### ORDER OF PLAY

Order of play is *first to enter, last to play*, except for Professional Piping, Professional Drumming and Bands which are random draw. The random draws will take place the day after entries close at the BCPA Competition Secretary's address. All orders of play will be posted within one week of the competition on the BCPA web site ([www.bcpipers.org](http://www.bcpipers.org)) and at the Competition Secretary's area when the doors open on competition days. **Competitors must check in with their steward and if not ready to play in the posted order may be disqualified.**

Lecture Room AQ 4150, Simon Fraser University. Admission is free to any drummer registered to compete at the Annual Gathering.

### CEILIDH

Ceilidh begins immediately after band contest awards. Aggregate winners of all solo grades in piping, side drumming, & tenor drumming are requested to play.

### ADMISSION FEES

Tickets for the Friday Concert, Saturday Night Band Contest, & Ceilidh are available by advance purchase or at the door. Admission to these activities is free for children under 11 years, except Band Contest.

### SUNDAY ADJUDICATORS WORKSHOP

Roddy MacLeod will be leading an adjudicators workshop on Sunday, April 16, 12:30 - 3:30 pm in Lecture Room AQ 4150, Simon Fraser University. Adjudicators on the panel of their home association, apprentice adjudicators, and piping instructors are welcome. Register overleaf.

### BCPA 2006 GRAND AGGREGATE TOUR T-SHIRT

**NEW for 2006.** 100 percent Ultra Cotton pre-shrunk. Includes stylized design on front and dates, Games and locations of Annual Gathering and the 9 Highland Games which make up the 2006 BCPA Grand Aggregates on the back. Must be picked up at the Annual Gathering.

Piping tune selection given in final tuning room, drumming tune selection given at 10 am, except for competitors who do not submit their tunes by the entry deadline (these competitors will receive their selected tunes at the adjudicator's table when it is their time to compete)

### HIGHLAND DRESS

Competitors may be prevented from competing and accepting trophies onstage for not wearing acceptable & properly worn highland dress. Kilt (or trewes), shirt, hose and shoes are the minimum requirement. For beginners, dress pants, shirt and shoes (for boys or girls) & skirt, blouse & shoes (for girls) are acceptable.

### TUNING TIME

Tuning time is a maximum three minutes (except piobaireachd which is a maximum five minutes).

### PRIZES

For solo events other than Professional, prizes are medals. For solo Professional and Band events, monetary prizes are awarded. The aggregate winner in each grade receives a perpetual trophy.

Winner of the "super aggregate" for Grade 1 Piping competitions (the combined total points from the four Mini-Gathering events plus the three Annual Gathering events, calculated using the aggregate point system in BCPA Solo Piping Competition Rules May 8 2005) receives up to a maximum of \$600 CDN toward an airline ticket to Ontario to compete in the George Sherriff Memorial Invitational competition. Winner must be a current BCPA member and reside in the BCPA sanctioning jurisdiction (BC, WA, OR). Winner must have also played in the Annual Gathering Grade 1 Piobaireachd, which will also be used to break a tie.

The Professional Piping Aggregate winner also receives up to \$800 CDN toward an airline ticket to the UK to compete in the Argyllshire Gathering, Northern Meeting, or Scottish Piping Society of London competitions. The winner must play in events 161, 162, & 164 to qualify. The result of the Piobaireachd will be used to break a tie.

For all travel related prizes, the amount allocated will be based on an excursion fare ticket (charter fare for trip to the UK) and subject to availability and booking rules (including 21 day advance booking). Amount allocated will also be based on a flight originating in Vancouver or winner's city whichever is lesser cost. Trip must be made in the year the prize is won or the allocation toward the travel will be forfeited.

For solo events, the number and value of prizes shall be awarded as shown in the following tables. For band events, the number of prizes is as shown. Band prize monies will not be awarded until all tuning rooms have passed inspection.

Competitors	< 3	3	4 - 10	11 - 15	16 - 20	>20
Prizes	1	2	3	4	5	6

Event	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
161	\$150	\$120	\$90	\$70	\$60
162	\$250	\$150	\$100	\$80	\$70
164	\$125	\$95	\$65	\$45	\$35
261	\$150	\$120	\$90	\$70	
262	\$125	\$95	\$65	\$45	
362	\$125	\$95	\$65	\$45	
812	\$125	\$100	\$75		
821	\$175	\$150	\$125		
831	\$225	\$200	\$175		
841	\$300	\$250	\$225		
851	\$450	\$375	\$300		

### CLASSROOM RULES

All classrooms are non-smoking & non-alcoholic areas.

It is very important to the BCPA that the content of all classrooms not be disturbed during the Annual Gathering and that, at the end of the competitions, all rooms be returned to their opening condition.

The indicated representative for a band is responsible for obtaining the admission tickets for the band from the Chief Steward and for maintaining the integrity of the band's room.

### HOTEL

The Executive Plaza Hotel and Conference Inn (405 North Road, Coquitlam. Tel: 604-936-9399) and the Coast Vancouver Airport Hotel, 1041 Southwest Marine Drive, Vancouver, Tel 604-263-1555 have been used by attendees of BCPA events.

If booking at the Coast Hotel, ask for "In-House Reservations" and the "Scottish Cultural Centre - BC Pipers Association" rate. Note this special rate applies only while rooms at that rate are available.