



Cullybackey Pipe Band 31st Annual Solo Piping and Drumming Competition

Cullybackey Pipe Band will hold their 31st Annual Solos in Cullybackey College on Saturday 7th April 2018.

Achievement Awards – All Practice Chanter and Drum Pad grades will receive Certificates in the form of Gold, Silver and Bronze Achievements. The Achievement Award Grades are reserved for individuals *who have not competed* with a pipe band. Bands are encouraged to use these grades to assist in the development of their young Pipers and Drummers.

The Pipe Chanter and Unaccompanied Snare Drumming competitions are open to players who have competed with a pipe band. Competitors in these two grades will receive Certificates in the form of Gold, Silver and Bronze Achievements.

The Novice Snare Drummers do not require piper accompaniment.

Competitors taking part in the beginner grades are not required to wear a uniform.

Juvenile Age Parameters – Entries to all grades up to and including Juvenile U18 will be based on entrant's age on 1st November 2017

Players may enter any juvenile section allowed by their age i.e. 14 year old could play in U18 but once they move to the higher section they cannot move back.

Beginner Piping

Novice Chanter:Four parts of Quick March, in any time signature.

Advanced Practice Chanter:Four part 2/4 March

Novice Piping (Pipe Chanter):Four parts of Quick March, in any time signature.

Piping

Juvenile U14:Four parts of Quick March, in any time signature.

Juvenile U16:Four part 2/4 March

Juvenile U18:March, Strathspey and Reel

Junior: March, Strathspey and Reel

Intermediate:March, Strathspey and Reel

Senior:March, Strathspey and Reel*

****Senior Pipers please note - Two Sets to be Submitted for Adjudicator selection****

Where March, Strathspey and Reel are to be played each tune should be a minimum of 4 parts.

Drumming Competitions

Novice Drumming

Novice Drum Pad: Four parts of Quick March, in any time signature

Advanced Drum Pad:Four part 2/4 March

Unaccompanied Snare Drum: Four parts of Quick March, in any time signature

Drumming

Juvenile U14: Four parts of Quick March, in any time signature

Juvenile U16:March, Strathspey and Reel

Juvenile U18:March, Strathspey and Reel

Junior:March, Strathspey and Reel

Intermediate:March, Strathspey and Reel

Senior:March, Strathspey and Reel *

****Senior Drummers please note - 2 x MSR –Set will be drawn approximately one hour before the competition begins.***

Where March, Strathspey and Reel are to be played each tune should be a minimum of 4 parts.

Drumming grades may be combined subject to entry numbers.

Tenor Drumming -

All Tenors drummers must be accompanied by at least one piper and one snare drummer.

Tenors must start with two 3 paced introduction rolls.

U14 Four parts of Quick March, in any time signature

U16 March, Strathspey and Reel (each tune to be at least 4 parts)

C Grade / Junior March, Strathspey and Reel (each tune to be at least 4 parts)

New format for 2018 Tenors will be split in Juvenile/Adult categories, for the inaugural year, all Adult competitors will be placed in 'C Grade/Junior'. The change in format has been made to align our competition with the International Tenor Drumming Solos. For 2018 only, the top 5 competitors from C Grade/Junior will be promoted to B Grade/Intermediate

In 2019, the top 3 competitors from C Grade/Junior will be promoted to B Grade/Intermediate, the top 3 competitors from B Grade/Intermediate will be promoted to A Grade/Senior

In 2020, the winner of C Grade/Junior and B Grade/Intermediate will be promoted to B Grade/Intermediate and A Grade/Senior respectively

Bass Drumming - confined to players who are registered Bass Drummers only

All Bass drummers must be accompanied by at least one piper and one snare drummer.

Bass drummers must start with two 3 paced introduction rolls.

Open GradeMarch, Strathspey and Reel (each tune to be at least 4 parts)