



# Bitterroot Celtic Games & Gathering

August 19th & 20th, 2017 on the grounds of The Daly Mansion  
251 Eastside Hwy., Hamilton, MT 59840  
[www.bcg.org](http://www.bcg.org)    bcgg@outlook.com

Postmark Deadline: July 17, 2017 Late Deadline: August 12, 2015 Mail to <b>P.O. Box 1774, Hamilton, MT 59840</b> <b>406/274-8886</b>	Competition is Saturday, August 19 Massed Bands assemble at 12:30. Grand Parade at 1 pm.	Participant Check-in 9 am at Main Gate Band Competition begins at 1:30pm
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## PIPE BAND AND DRUM CORPS EVENTS

See BCS Rules & Regulations below for event numbers and other information. Write in event number where applicable.

<u>Pipe Band</u>	<u>Mini-Band</u>	<u>Pipe Corps (Quartets)</u>	<u>Drum Corps</u>
Grade 1:# _____, _____	Grade 1:# _____, _____	Grade 1:# _____, _____	Grade 1:# _____, _____
Grade 2:# _____, _____	Grade 2:# _____, _____	Grade 2:# _____, _____	Grade 2:# _____, _____
Grade 3:# _____, _____	Grade 3:# _____, _____	Grade 3:# _____, _____	Grade 3:# _____, _____
Grade 4:# _____, _____	Grade 4:# _____, _____	Grade 4:# _____, _____	Grade 4:# _____, _____
Grade 5:# _____	Grade 5:# _____	Grade 5:# _____	Grade 5:# _____

## COMPETITOR INFORMATION

Band Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Pipe Band Association Name & Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Waiver:** In consideration of your accepting this entry, I hereby, for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators, waive and release any rights for damages I may have against the Bitterroot Celtic Society, its agents, representatives, successors and assignees for any and all injuries suffered by me at or through the aforementioned events.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Quantity    Fee    Total

Band Application Fee Per Event (includes Sunday pass for each band member & 1 parking pass for every 4 band members)	Postmarked on or before 7/17		\$50	
Band Application Fee Per Event (includes Sunday pass for each band member & 1 parking pass for every 4 band members)	Postmarked 7/18 – 8/12		\$60	
Additional Adult Tickets for Saturday OR Sunday	Postmarked on or before 7/17		\$8	
Additional Adult Weekend Passes	Postmarked on or before 7/17		\$12	
Additional Adult Tickets for Saturday OR Sunday	Postmarked 7/18 – 8/12		\$10	
Additional Adult Weekend Passes	Postmarked 7/18– 8/12		\$15	
Additional Child (age 6-15) Tickets for Saturday or Sunday	Postmarked by 8/12		\$5	
Additional Parking Pass (good for both days)	Postmarked by 8/12		\$10	

**Our band members will participate in Massed Band on SATURDAY and/or SUNDAY (please circle)**

All tickets will be held at participant check-in. Please contact us to make other arrangements.

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Pipe Major		Drum Major	
Lead Drummer		Year of Formation	
Tartan	<b>Please include band roster with application.</b>		

# Pipe Band Contest Regulations-2017



## 1. Introduction

- a. The BCGG will be responsible for sending their competition information to his or her association for upgrading.
- b. BSIF organizers reserve the right to use their best judgment to add, remove or combine events from the schedule, and to make other changes that are in the best interest of the conducting the competition.

## 2. General

- a. All BCS solo bagpipe, drum, band and drum major contests shall be open to all competitors.
- b. A designated Band representative may check the band in at Participant Check-in at Main Gate.
- c. Order of play will be determined 1-2 weeks prior to day of competition. First to enter, last to play. Order of play will be emailed to the band prior to the competition.
- d. No person may compete unless he/she is in appropriate Highland Dress.
- e. Any competitor not ready to perform at their scheduled time may be disqualified or moved to the end of the order and compete only if time permits.
- f. Decisions by judges on performance placement and scoring are final.
- g. Bands "Playing Up" a grade will pay the fee for the Grade in which they enter and 50% of the entry fee for the higher Grade. This also applies to Bands playing up for "Adjudication Only". Should a band place in the higher grade, it will receive the award for that grade and will forfeit awards won in the lower grade. In such a situation, all other bands in lower grade would retain their placing. Requests to play up to a higher grade will not be accepted on the day of the games. Pre-registration is required.
- h. No medals will be given to band competitors.
- i. Band Competition placements will be announced in the afternoon Awards Ceremonies with the Massed Bands on the field.
- j. Participation in Massed Band in appropriate Highland Dress is compulsory for all bands competing. Non-compliance with this rule may result in your band being disqualified from competition and forfeiture of any prize monies.

## 3. Registration

- a. \$50 per Band Event entry fee for those postmarked on or before July 17<sup>th</sup>.
- b. \$60 per Band Event entry fee for those postmarked July 18<sup>th</sup> – August 12<sup>th</sup>.
- c. All accompanying guests and non-playing members must pay for tickets and/or parking passes. Fill in quantities and include money on the bottom of page one. Shuttle bus service available.
- d. Pipe Band Roster is required.
- e. First to enter, last to play rule applies.
- f. Field entries on day of competition will be limited to solo events only..

## 4. Schedule

- a. Go to [www.bcgq.org](http://www.bcgq.org) for the latest schedule updates.



# Pipe Band Contest Rules

## 1. Pipe Band Grading System:

- a. Each band may have only one grading. However, a band may compete in the grade above theirs if they so desire. No band may compete in a grade below their grading.
- b. Full bands shall be graded as follows: (SPBA Part III.9) Minimum numbers listed. (BSIF)
  - Grade 1 8 pipers, 3 side drummers, 1 bass drummer or tenor
  - Grade 2 6 pipers, 2 side drummers, 1 bass drummer or tenor
  - Grade 3 6 pipers, 2 side drummers, 1 bass drummer or tenor
  - Grade 4 5-6 pipers, 2 side drummers, 1 bass drummer or tenor
  - Grade 5 5-6 pipers, 2 side drummers, 1 bass drummer or tenor
- c. Mini bands
  - Grade 1 6 pipers, 2 side drummers, 1 bass drummer or tenor
  - Grade 2 4 pipers, 2 side drummers, 1 bass drummer or tenor
  - Grade 3 4 pipers, 2 side drummers, 1 bass drummer or tenor
  - Grade 4 3-4 pipers, 1-2 side drummers, 1 bass drummer or tenor
  - Grade 5 3-4 pipers, 1-2 side drummers, 1 bass drummer or tenor

## 2. Pipe Band Music Requirements

- a. Grade 1
  - 811 Medley (submit two medleys; each medley 5-7 minutes)
  - 812 March, Strathspey & Reel (submit two 2 sets; each tune minimum 4 parts each)
- b. Grade 2
  - 821 Medley (4-6 minutes)
  - 822 March, Strathspey & Reel (submit two 2 sets; each tune minimum 4 parts each)
- c. Grade 3
  - 831 Medley (3-5 minutes)
  - 832 March, Strathspey & Reel (each tune minimum 4 parts each)
- c. Grade 4
  - 841 Medley (3-5 minutes)
  - 842 Quick Marches Medley  
(A 2 minutes 45 seconds to 4 minutes 30 seconds selection of Quick Marches, any time signature)
- d. Grade 5
  - 851 Quick Marches Medley  
(A 2 minutes 45 seconds to 4 minutes 30 seconds selection of Quick Marches, any time signature)

## Pipe Band Contest Rules (cont.)



### 3. Mini Band Music Requirements

- a. Grade 1
  - 711 Medley (submit two medleys; each medley 5-7 minutes)
  - 712 March, Strathspey & Reel (submit two 2 sets; each tune minimum 4 parts each)
- b. Grade 2
  - 721 Medley (4-6 minutes)
  - 722 March, Strathspey & Reel (submit two 2 sets; each tune minimum 4 parts each)
- c. Grade 3
  - 731 Medley (3-5 minutes)
  - 732 March, Strathspey & Reel (each tune minimum four parts each)
- c. Grade 4
  - 741 Medley (3-5 minutes)
  - 742 Quick Marches Medley  
(A 2 minutes 45 seconds to 4 minutes 30 seconds selection of Quick Marches, any time signature)
- d. Grade 5
  - 751 Quick Marches Medley  
(A 2 minutes 45 seconds to 4 minutes 30 seconds selection of Quick Marches, any time signature)

### 4. Pipe Corps (Quartet) Music Requirements

- a. Grade 1
  - 611 Medley (medley 4-6 minutes)
- b. Grade 2
  - 621 Quartet-Medley (4-6 minutes)
- c. Grade 3
  - 632 Quartet-March, Strathspey & Reel (each tune minimum four parts each)
- d. Grade 4
  - 642 Quartet-Quick Marches Medley  
(A 2 minutes 45 seconds to 4 minutes 30 seconds selection of Quick Marches, any time signature)
- e. Grade 5
  - 651 Quartet-Quick Marches Medley  
(A 2 minutes 45 seconds to 4 minutes 30 seconds selection of Quick Marches, any time signature)

### 5. Drum Corps Music Requirements

- a. Grade 1
  - 511 Fanfare (3-5 minutes)
- b. Grade 2
  - 521 Fanfare (3-5 minutes)
- c. Grade 3
  - 531 Fanfare (3-5 minutes)
- d. Grade 4
  - 541 Fanfare (3-5 minutes)
- e. Grade 5
  - 551 Fanfare (3-5 minutes)



# Pipe Band Contest Rules (cont.)

## 6. Travel Assistance

- a. Travel assistance is available to the first 5 bands registered and participating in Mass Bands and paid by July 17th, based on the following criteria:  
40-74 miles one way - \$50; 75-150 miles one way - \$100; 151-200 miles one way - \$150; More than 200 miles one way - \$200
- b. Each band will have the opportunity to raise travel money through the sale of t-shirts with their logos at the t-shirt booth or band items at their tents. Contact [bcgg@outlook.com](mailto:bcgg@outlook.com) for more information.

## 7. Prize Schedule

<b>Band Events:</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Place</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Place</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Place</b>
Grade 1 – Medley	\$300	\$225	\$125
Grade 1 – MSR	\$300	\$225	\$125
Grade 2 – Medley	\$250	\$175	\$100
Grade 2 – MSR	\$250	\$175	\$100
Grade 3 – Medley	\$200	\$150	\$100
Grade 3 – MSR	\$200	\$150	\$100
Grade 4 – Medley	\$150	\$100	\$ 75
Grade 4 – Quick Marches Medley	\$150	\$100	\$ 75
Grade 5 – Quick Marches Medley	\$100	\$ 75	\$ 50

### **Mini Band Events:**

Grade 1 – Medley	\$175	\$150	\$125
Grade 1 – MSR	\$175	\$150	\$125
Grade 2 – Medley	\$150	\$125	\$100
Grade 2 – MSR	\$150	\$125	\$100
Grade 3 – Medley	\$125	\$100	\$ 75
Grade 3 – MSR	\$125	\$100	\$ 75
Grade 4 – Medley	\$100	\$ 75	\$ 50
Grade 4 – Quick Marches Medley	\$100	\$ 75	\$ 50
Grade 5 – Quick Marches Medley	\$ 75	\$ 50	\$ 25

### **Other Entry Prizes:**

Quartets:	Specialty awards
Drum Corp:	Specialty awards

## 8. Awards

- a. All prizes will be awarded at the Massed Band.
- b. Awards and adjudication sheets may be picked up at the registration table at the completion of Massed Band.

**Please be sure to include Liability Waiver with entry forms and money and mail to:  
BCS P.O. Box 1774 Hamilton, MT 59840**