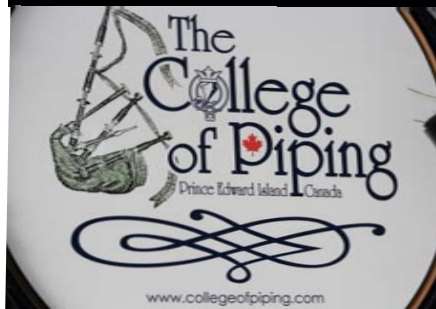


# the Celtic Connection

FOR STUDENTS, FAMILIES AND FRIENDS



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[www.collegeofpiping.com](http://www.collegeofpiping.com)

The **College website** is a wonderful source of information on the College of Piping and its activities. You will find up to date information on the blog, access to our Facebook page and Twitter account, pictures of events at The College and at events we have attended. Class offerings, staff biographies, College history, competition results, photos and much more can be found on the site. Take a look and find out more about us.

Sunday, June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014

We are excited about the year end recital that will be held on **Sunday, June 15<sup>th</sup> at 2pm in the Mary Ellen Burns Amphitheatre**. It is free, so bring all your family and friends to see what everyone has accomplished this year in class! The weather is going to be marvelous, so it will be a great start to a season of fun outside at the College of Piping!!



## Register for September Classes at the Year End Recital!!

We will have a table set up at the year end recital on June 15<sup>th</sup> for you to fill out your registration forms for the 2014-2015 Educational Term! We hope that you will all be back for another amazing term with our fabulous instructors.

## From the Gift Shop



Our Celtic jewelry has arrived! Visit us early for the best selection of sizes and styles.

It won't be long before our new College of Piping logoed great gift shop items arrive, including some great Wellingtons, Heather Gems jewelry, leather wristlets and some old favourites as well.

**Inventory Blowout!!** As we try to make room for new items, we are offering discounts on some of our clan items as well as our dance shoes. While supplies last all dance shoes are 30% off (no further student discounts are being offered) and the sizes we have available are: step shoes – Childs 8, Childs 8 1/2, Childs 9, Childs 10 1/2 and Childs 11. Highland jig shoes: size 4 and Highland Ghillies: Size 9, size 10, size 11, size 13 and Size 5.



Clan bookmarks are on sale for \$1.65 each, a savings of over \$2.00!

Clan mugs are on sale for 25% off...there is a limited selection and it is while our current supplies last! We have the following names: Bruce, Chisholm, Douglas, Elliot, Forbes, Graham, Grant, Gunn, Hamilton, Keith, Kerr, MacDuff, MacGillivray, MacInnes, MacIntyre, MacLaren, MacMillan, MacPhail, Maxwell, Scott, Munro, Shaw, Thompson, Totten, Urquhart, and Black Watch.

20% off selected DVDs and CDs! We are offering the 2010 World Championships and the 2011 World Championship DVDs and CDs on for 20% off, as well as a selection of music CDs. While supplies last, come in for a visit to see what has been marked down to make way for new items!



Did you know, we also have a **CLEARANCE CORNER** in the gift shop!! We'd love to have you come in and see what has been marked down up to 75% off!

## Instructors for 2013/2014 year

James MacHattie –  
Director of Education

Kylie MacHattie – Bagpiping  
Chris Coleman – Drumming  
Sam Ramsay – Drumming

Dance

Kearsney Smith – Highland  
Chelsey Sanderson–Step(Lead)  
Mikaila Murray-Step (Instructor)  
Emily Roberts -Step (Instructor)

## Skype Lessons

Skype lessons are being offered in piping and drumming. Please contact our director of Education, James MacHattie, for more information on how you can learn to pipe or drum from the comforts of your own home.

## Contact

If you have any questions, concerns or words of praise, please contact Karen Hatcher, Executive Director or James MacHattie, Director of Education. They can be reached at 436-5377 or e-mailed at [karen.hatcher@collegeofpiping.com](mailto:karen.hatcher@collegeofpiping.com) or [james.machattie@collegeofpiping.com](mailto:james.machattie@collegeofpiping.com)

## Competitions and Photos

Please check the College of Piping website for the most up-to-date results from the summer competitions. These can be found at: <http://www.collegeofpiping.com/competitionresults.php>. You can also find the most up-to-date photos from all of our various competitions, fundraisers and events. These can be found at: <http://www.collegeofpiping.com/photogalleries.php>

## Gift Shop

Looking for a specific clan product, a tie, scarf, mug, coaster, book or blanket? If we don't have it in stock we can order it for you! We also have a good selection of College of Piping hoodies (youth and adult), sweatshirts, t-shirts (adult and children's), comfy pajama and sweat pants. This time of year there is the best time to shop as there are fewer crowds. Come in, take your time and see what is available. Gift shop hours are Monday through Friday 9am to 5pm.

## Newsletters

We realize some of you are getting multiple copies of our e-newsletter and we appreciate your patience as we work on condensing multiple mailing lists onto one or two main lists. This is a large project and it is partially completed! Please bear with us as we make this transition!

## Highland **STORM** Rehearsal Dates

The complete rehearsal schedule for Highland Storm has been released. Please keep it handy!

Saturday, May 24th: 1:00pm – 5:00pm (dancers 10:00am-4:pm)

Sunday, May 25th: 10:00am – 1:00pm (dancers only)

Sunday, June 8th: 10am – 10pm

Saturday, June 14th: 10am – 10pm

Monday, June 16th: 6pm – 10pm

Tuesday, June 17th: 6pm – 10pm

Wednesday, June 18th, 6pm – 10pm

Thursday, June 19th, 6pm – 10pm

Friday, June 20th, 6pm – 10pm

Sunday, June 22nd: 1pm – 10pm

Monday, June 23rd, 6pm – 10pm

Tuesday, June 24th, 6pm – 10pm

Wednesday, June 25th, 6pm – 10pm

Thursday, June 26th, 6pm – 10pm

Individual instructors may amend some of the above times. Otherwise, all cast are expected to attend according to these times.

## College of Piping CD *At Long Last* to be launched at the Year End Recital!

The College has not released a recording in quite some time, and Highland Storm has evolved, so it seemed high time to release a new recording reflecting what the current sounds of The College are! We started recording in March and now the CD has gone to production. The 13 track album, entitled *At Long Last*, is a mix of the sort of music you hear in Highland Storm: pipe band, fiddle, vocals, keyboard, drums, smallpipes, guitars... All performed by people who are teachers or students at The College or who appear on the Highland Storm stage. It will come to \$20 taxes in. Might as well get yourself a copy and get some more in June to cut down on the extra December Christmas shopping expenses!



**College of Piping Alumni** – by now you should have received an email from Sue regarding the Alumni Events that are happening during this year's Highland Gathering. If you haven't received one (please check your junk folder) email [sue.mcgiveron@collegeofpiping.com](mailto:sue.mcgiveron@collegeofpiping.com) and she will send you the information.





## Gold Rush 50/50 Draw

Don't forget to put your toonie in for the 50/50 Draw!

You could be the lucky winner. The draw will be made each Thursday evening at the College of Piping in Summerside. If the number drawn on the draw day is a number for a person who did not sign in for that week's draw, that portion of the money is added to the following week's draw. This will increase the amount of winnings until a number is drawn that belongs to someone who has signed in. If you haven't signed up yet, come to The College or any of the participating locations, fill out a number slip and add your name to the book. Then all you have to do is put your toonie in each week and wait to be the winner!

### Participating locations

- **Samuels Coffee House**, Summerside
- **College of Piping**, Summerside
- **Kensington Food Basket**, Kensington
- **Gallants Clover Farm**, Rustico
- **Gass's Store**, New Haven
- **Race Trac Gas**, Stanley Bridge
- **Wilson Gas**, Summerside
- **Reids Corner Esso**, Summerside
- **Granville Street Esso**, Summerside
- **Griffins Smoke Shop**, Sobeys, Summerside
- **Lights Smoke Shop**, Summerside
- **Summerside Butcher Shop**
- **Water Street Bakery**, Summerside
- **Dunn's Variety**
- **Credit Union Place**, Summerside

Pass this message on to your friends and family and get them to enter our weekly draw and support the College of Piping Pipe Bands.

## Volunteers needed for our Highland Gathering!

Volunteers are needed for morning, afternoon and evening shifts during our Highland Gathering on June 27, 28, 29. We are especially looking for people to sell drink tickets in the beer tent but there are spaces to be filled throughout the different areas as well. If you fill a minimum 4 hour shift you will receive a weekend pass to The Gathering as well as a t-shirt. There will be an information training session on June 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6pm in the main hall to let you know just what you will be doing. The office is open from Monday to Friday from 9 am to 5 pm so please call and let us know when you would like to volunteer or you can also email Shanae Rogers, the volunteer coordinator at [shanrogers333@gmail.com](mailto:shanrogers333@gmail.com)



## CÒIG PEI CD Release!



CÒIG ("Ko-ig". Gaelic for '5') is an exciting ensemble consisting of five solo acts - Chrissy Crowley, Darren McMullen, Rachel Davis, Colin Grant and Jason Roach - and is one of Cape Breton's most captivating young bands. Originally coming together for a

promotional tour for the Celtic Colours International Festival, the formation proved to be something special, and the group decided to continue to tour together as a band. Proving to be a serious force to be reckoned with in the traditional music scene with their driving tunes, haunting songs and infectious energy,

CÒIG will be releasing their first album with a launch in PEI on Tuesday, June 17th, 7:30pm in the Pourhouse, 2nd level of the Old Triangle at 89 University Avenue in Charlottetown. Tickets are available for \$10 in advance at the Old Triangle or at the door for \$12. Còig is a treat for the ears of every audience they meet. Busy solo schedules make Coig appearances quite rare, so don't let your chance to see them pass you by!

## Seating Options while for students are in class

With the renovations finished at the College of Piping, there are some new options for seating while you are waiting for your student to complete their lesson. There are the chairs in the main hallway as you come through the front door, and there are chairs downstairs not far from the drumming offices and the step dance studio. In September, there will be a warm up room next to the Step Dance Studio that may be available for additional seating.

With more classes than ever before being taught upstairs, there will be a lot more traffic through the narrow hallways, so for us to comply with fire regulations and to keep everyone safe, should there be an emergency, we request that you use one of the larger seating areas available. If you aren't sure what seating areas are available, please ask an instructor. We appreciate your cooperation!

## Pipe Band Raffles


The pipe bands are holding two separate raffles! The first one is on a beautiful quilt made lovingly by one of our band family's grandmother! Tickets are \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00. The draw will take place on August 6<sup>th</sup> at our last show of the 2014 Highland Storm season.

The second raffle is on a gorgeous bench made by

Myron Taylor. Tickets are \$5.00 each or 3 for \$10.00. The draw for the bench will be held on the Sunday of the Highland Gathering. Tickets can be purchased through the College of Piping gift shop.



## Scent Free



The College of Piping has a **scent free policy** in its Summerside building. There are many people coming and going and some of them have scent allergies. These allergies can range from getting a headache to going into anaphylactic shock requiring hospitalization. Please be respectful and give them a safe place to study, perform and enjoy our programs.

## Handicapped Parking

Only vehicles with handicapped parking stickers should be parking in the handicapped parking designated areas. Thank you very much for your co-operation.



## Gift Giving Ideas for Birthdays, holidays or just-because!



A number for the 50/50 Draw



Summer School Gift Certificate



Tickets for the Gathering



Tickets for Highland Storm



A Celtic gift from the Gift Shop

### Newsletter

Produced by Sue McGiveron  
Edited by Kylie MacHattie  
Designed by Anna MacDonald

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## City of Summerside George Key Sr. Memorial "2014 Citizen of the Year" Award Nomination Form

This award recognizes the outstanding character of a person or group who make exceptional contributions to the well-being of the City of Summerside and whose everyday actions, with in the last three years, serve as positive examples to others in the community. Anyone (a friend, neighbour, co-worker, community organization etc...) can nominate any individual or group who are residents of the City of Summerside and are age 18 or over for this award. This prestigious award has been presented to many deserving citizens of Summerside since it began back in 1967. Nominations are reviewed by a committee of three City of Summerside citizens. If you know of a worthy recipient for this award, please email Sue [sue.mcgiveron@collegeofpiping.com](mailto:sue.mcgiveron@collegeofpiping.com), I can email you the form to complete.

## Band Concessions at the Highland Gathering

Many hands make light work! Calling all family and friends of the College of Piping Pipe Bands - we need you! The bands are fortunate enough to be given the opportunity to manage the concession stand at the 2014 Summerside Highland Gathering. This is a major band fundraiser and, as you can appreciate, a tremendous undertaking. A few hours of your time will not only be a huge benefit to the bands but it will also grant you free access to the field for the day!

Below please find the time slots available. We look forward to hearing from you!


### Saturday, June 27th

7:30-10:30 am  
10:30-1:30 pm  
1:30-4:30 pm  
4:30-7:30 pm  
7:30-12:00 am

### Sunday, June 28th

7:30-10:30 am  
10:30-1:30 pm  
1:30-5:30 pm

## Pipe Band Yard Sale



The College's Pipe Bands will be once again holding a Yard Sale on Saturday June 7<sup>th</sup>. If you are doing a purge while spring cleaning, or have a box in the basement you haven't opened since you bought your house, please set items aside that you think could sell and help the bands meet their fundraising goals. The pipe bands are now accepting items only during the following hours: 7pm-9pm on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings and Fridays during College business hours (9am- 5pm). They are not accepting any baby items (cribs, car seats, baby gates and toys) or electronics (computer monitors, televisions, laptops and printers). Come to the sale in June for new hidden treasures!

## Drive a Fundraiser

Also on June 7<sup>th</sup> our pipe bands are participating in Ford's Drive One for UR School/Community. It is a fundraiser hosted by Alex D MacDonald Ford Dealership and for every Ford car test driven; the Pipe Bands earn twenty dollars from Ford. They need 300 people to test drive these cars for a maximum earning potential of \$6000 dollars! Each household can count for one test drive. The day has been broken down into three time slots: 9:00am-11:00am, 11:00am - 1:00pm and 1:00pm - 4:00pm. The rules state that each driver must be 18 years old or older and there can be only one driver per household.