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Championship reminders and registration dates

As part of the transition of the new Pipe Bands Australia registrar, all member bands have this month received their player registration list for verification and confirmation.

Bands are required return corrections and amendments to the registrar Nicholas Train by the end of January. The registration list checks are to ensure band and player records held by Pipe Bands Australia are accurate.

With 2018 the Australian Pipe Band Championships in Brisbane now less than three months, bands are also reminded to fully acquaint themselves with Pipe Bands Australia Contest Regulations 2017 – these are the regulations that will apply at the championships (available at www.pipebandsaustralia.com.au).

Particular attention is drawn to the following regulations which may be the focus of checks of bands competing at the championships

GRADING

A.2.01.01 A Branch shall upon a band first registering with it allocate it to a Grade, and shall from time to time (and on the direction of the Association's Grading Committee) review the grading of all bands registered with it. A Branch may at any time review the grading of a band either of its own motion or on the application of that band. A review of grading shall be carried out in accordance with these Rules.

JUVENILE BANDS

A.2.03.01 A player may compete as a member of a Juvenile band until the end of the period of registration with the Association during which that player attains 18 years of age.

A.2.03.02 On first registering with a Juvenile band, a player shall submit proof of age to the satisfaction of the Association.

PLAYER REGISTRATION

A.3.01.01 A person shall not be eligible to play in a contest with a band until 14 days after that band has registered that person as a player for contest in the manner from time to time prescribed by the Association (except as the Association otherwise determines) and, if registered as a player for contest by another band, that band has furnished a clearance confirming that the player is under no financial or like obligation to that band.

Registration of players to compete at the Australian Championships closes Midnight EST 23 March 2018

Bands affiliated with overseas jurisdictions will be requested to provide details of their playing roster and evidence of current allocated grade within that jurisdiction along with other relevant information to guide National Grading Committee in assessing and

other relevant information to guide National Grading Committee in assessing and recommending confirmation of a band's grade of entry at the Australian Pipe Band Championships. Self-nomination of grade is inconsistent with the requirements for grading as determined by National Council. Such bands will be advised either before the close of entries or within a week of closure of any determination made by National Grading Committee affecting a band's grading status as recorded on the official entry form.

Inquiries on registration matters to:

PBA Registrar Nicholas Train pbaregistrar@pipebands.asn.au

Inquiries on PBA Contest Regulations in the first instance to:

Principal Rules and Administration Jamie Forsyth jamesrforsyth@icloud.com



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