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## REMT Sydney pre-performance opportunities - information update

A special one-week sale of tickets for pipers and drummers across Australia planning to participate in the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo pre-show welcome to the salute taker in October opens on 1 April.

Pipe Bands Australia has received updated information from REMT on the pre-performance opportunity for information of its members and participants:

The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo are returning to Australia in October 2019 and are assembling a

landmark international cast of 1,400 military and folkloric performers with an expected

over 180,000 across the four scheduled performances. As part of this extravaganza, the Tattoo is

reaching out to all Pipers and Drummers across Australia to build a collective Institutional

Community Pipe Band (ICB) to play a very important role as a combined massed band to open the

show.

Tattoo shows are scheduled for the following dates in the ANZ Stadium, Sydney:

Thursday 17 October 2019 @ 7.30pm

Friday 18 October 2019 @ 7.30pm

Saturday 19 October 2019 @ 11.00am

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The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo (REMT)

The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo is extremely proud to support a number of military charities and

associated institutions. newrits a not-ior-profit organisation, and every year their ticket sales support many organisations including Pipe Band communities throughout the world.

How to be involved

To be part of the ICB, the only thing you need to do is to purchase a ticket to the show in which you want to perform. Your involvement is completely self-funded, but this ticket will allow you to be able to sit with your fellow band members in a specially reserved seating bank, post your performance.

We are thrilled that Australian Pipers and Drummers have been offered an opportunity to have this once in a lifetime experience.

Commitment

We hope to get as many Pipers and Drummers as possible to be a part of the opening parade sequence and play either as full bands, part bands or as individuals - to lead the Clans and Families into the stadium and welcome the Salute Taker at the start of each evening.

We envisage everyone coming together at the ANZ Stadium in Sydney Olympic Park during

afternoon of the performance for which tickets have been purchased, meet up with the other Pipers and Drummers also participating in that performance, be briefed by the Tattoo staff, tune up and rehearse together, and get ready for the parade into the stadium. After the opening performance, Pipers and Drummers will be then be able to relax and enjoy the show (secure storage arrangements will be provided for instruments). Music

The music that will be played by the ICB as a massed band will be chosen by the Army School ofBagpipe Music and Highland Drumming in Edinburgh, Scotland, however, will be selected from the Pipe Bands Australia massed band repertoire, incorporating Australian settings for both pipe and drum scores.

HOW TO PURCHASE TICKETS INTO THE ICB SEATING AREA

To ensure great seats for the show, REMT have dedicated a seating are to Institutional and

Community Pipe Bands participants and their families. We are extended a special opportunity to

purchase their tickets into this block, before they go on sale to the general public.

If you or your Band have already expressed an Interest to be a part of this event, we thank you, and

very much look forward to you being a part of the team.

If you are yet to submit your interest in being a part of this amazing massed band experience, we

would urge you to do this now so that you can take advantage of the special offer to purchase your

ticket/s, and then sit with your fellow band members to watch the performance.

Once you have booked a Group (20+) or purchased your individual ticket/s (less than 20) for your

preferred performance, your involvement in the parade will be confirmed.

Tickets for the show go on-sale to the general public on Monday 8 April 2019 and, with the demand

for tickets expected to be high, we want to offer an 'early bird' opportunity for you to purchase a

ticket the week prior being 1 - 7 April 2019.

There are 2 ways to take advantage of the special offer tickets for the Institutional and Community

Pipe Bands dedicated seating area.

• As a Group of 20 or more via the Ticketek Groups line 1300 364 001 (available now). Group

bookings will attract a discount so tickets will be reduced to \$149 each which includes the booking fee.

o If taking advantage of the Group rate, remember to tell the Ticketek booking agent if your Institutional and Community Pipe Bands are participants in the performance.

o Group bookings tickets must be paid by 1 July 2019.

• As individuals / smaller groups - tickets are \$189 each which includes the booking fee.

o If you are an individual or smaller group you will receive an email (via the ICB Liaison

Officer in your State or Territory), by 1 April 2019 with a link and a password advising

how to purchase your tickets into the dedicated Institutional and Community Pipe

Bands seating area.

o Non-Group tickets must to be purchased (and paid for) in the 'Early Bird' period of 1

– 7 April 2019. This is prior to tickets going on sale to the general public on the 8 April 2019.

Players wishing to register for one of the four performances may lodge their EOI through remt19@pipebands.asn.au.

The special ticket sale period is from 1 April to 7 April with tickets on sale to the public from 8 April.



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