



CBS Pipe Band Newsletter

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Solos

The Spring/Summer Season got underway this year with the Munster Solos competition which was held in Newcastlewest on 2nd March.

Members of the Alumni Band combined with members of the Youth band on the day to take a variety of awards:

- Piping Tutor Roman Madden—1st place in Piobaireacht, 2nd place in Junior Piping and 2nd in Open Piping grades.
- Piping Tutor Pat Wallace—2nd place in Piobaireacht
- Piper Calvin Lynch—3rd place in Piping U16 grade.
- Drummer Ian Pickford—1st place in Snare Drumming U14 Grade.
- Drummer Shania Lynch—3rd place in Tenor Drumming Grade 4/5



St Patrick's Festivals

The marching season proper commenced with a St. Patrick's Parade in Newport, Co Tipperary, on 15th March.

The following day was Limerick's International Band Parade.

On the 17th March, St. Patrick's Day, the band paraded in both the Limerick and the Shannon Town parades.

Altogether a very tiring few days.



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Special points of interest:

- Practices will resume after the Summer on Thursday night 28th August.
- Milford Harvest Fair will be on Sunday 31st August.
- New members from 5th class primary upwards will be recruited in September

Ceol, Craic agus Cultúir

On 12th April the band participated in a most unusual collaboration with the Munster Rugby Supporters Choir.

Practice sessions in Sexton Street School, at the Limerick Greyhound track and in Charleville, Co. Cork, saw the band expand its repertoire to include a vocal rendition of the old Irish Air “Níl ‘na Lá”.

Working in partnership with Limerick Greyhound Stadium, Panamanian Humberto Vélez created a unique race and participative public event in response to Ireland’s greyhound racing culture. The EVA International Cup 2014 was the first ever 800 yard Marathon Race to be held at Limerick Greyhound Stadium.

This unique evening of racing opened with a musical marching display led by CBS Pipe Band. For one night only race goers experienced this celebratory event with local participants including the Munster Rugby Supporters Club Choir and



Limerick City of Culture 2014

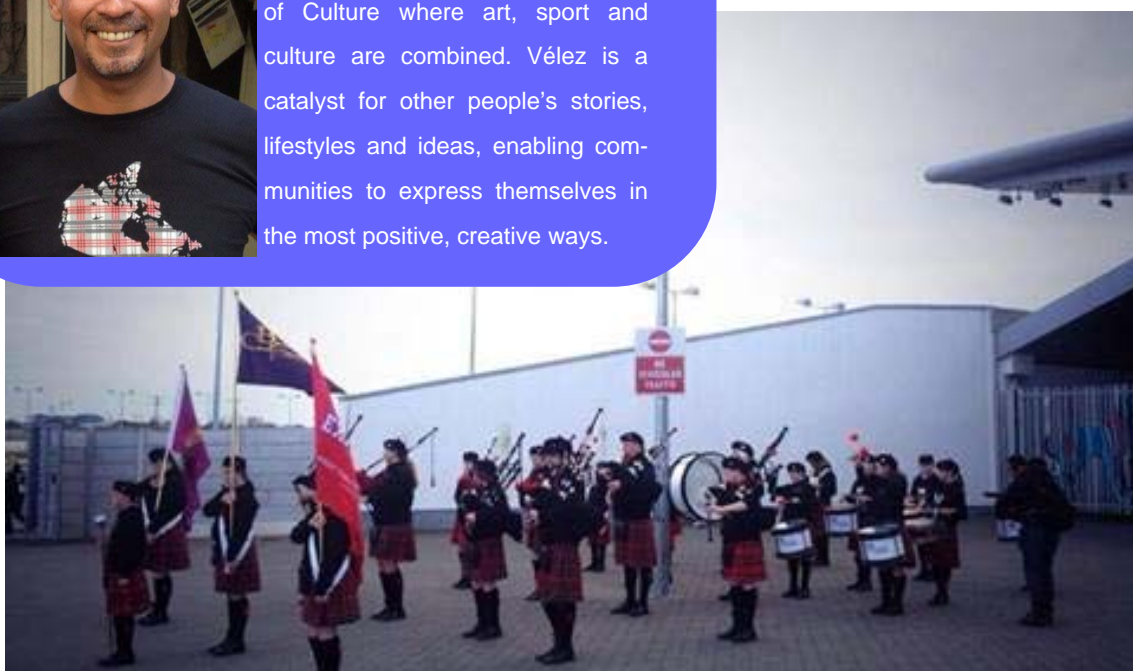
aims to bring together elements of both our traditional and modern culture. The mission for the year is to provide cultural access for all within the City and its hinterland and to creatively connect with the outside world.



Humberto Vélez has created an event specifically for Limerick City of Culture where art, sport and culture are combined. Vélez is a catalyst for other people’s stories, lifestyles and ideas, enabling communities to express themselves in the most positive, creative ways.

representatives from Limerick City & County GAA Clubs. Members of the racing community: greyhound breeders, owners, trainers and their families paraded greyhounds of all ages in honour of this heritage sport.

This project was commissioned by EVA International and Limerick City Of Culture 2014 in partnership with the Limerick Greyhound Stadium and Irish Greyhound Board.



Summer Months

At the UL North Campus on 16th May, members of the band entertained the crowd at a GAA Open Evening "Meet & Greet" evening where Limerick's Senior Hurlers signed autographs for enthusiastic junderage players from a variety of clubs.

On 17th May 2014 the CBS Pipe Band was delighted to accept an invitation to participate in a massed band parade and recital through the streets of Waterford City.



This event was part of the 80th Anniversary Celebrations of Waterford's De La Salle Scout Pipe Band.

Bands represented at the event included:

- ◆ CBS Pipe Band, Limerick
- ◆ City of Limerick Pipe Band
- ◆ De La Salle Scout Pipe Band, Waterford
- ◆ Irish Air Corps Pipe Band
- ◆ New Ross & District Pipe Band

The Foynes Irish Coffee Festival on 1st June saw the band playing at the start and again at the finish of the 5K Run and 4K Walk.



Practice Times

It was decided to discontinue Thursday and Saturday practices as these are not suiting members. Future practices will be on Tuesday nights for the present.

This was followed later in the day by a recital at the Food and Craft Fair behind the Community Centre and another recital outside the Flying Boat Museum.

The day was a fitting finale to the band's playing season as families looked forward to their summer holidays.

Μολ αν οίγε αγυς τιοεραοηβ σιαδ. (Praise the youth and they will come.)



CBS Pipe Band was founded during the winter months of 1961 by Irish Christian Brothers, Br. John Kenny and Br Clement Wright.

There followed an intensive programme over the next eighteen months to equip and train the band.

The band made its first ever public appearance in the Limerick St. Patrick's Day parade of 1963 and since then has missed only three St. Patrick's Day parades in its native city. On two occasions the band represented the city in the New York parade and once in the city of Cork parade.

The band has performed extensively throughout all thirty two counties of Ireland and beyond, having travelled on numerous occasions to Scotland, England, Wales, France, Germany, Holland, Belgium, Spain, Italy and the United States of America.

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Ruari Carey R.I.P.

Ruari joined our band as a recruit piper in 1966.

As he became more proficient on the pipes he was employed from 1970 to 1974 as a solo piper welcoming guests to Medieval Banquets at Bunratty Castle, Knappogue Castle and Dunguaire Castle.

He was appointed Pipe Major of the CBS Pipe Band in 1973, a position he held until his retirement in 1977.

Following his retirement as Pipe Major, he remained on as a piping tutor for a further year and accompanied the band as a chaperone on their first trip to Scotland in 1978.

Ruari subsequently become a founder member and Pipe Major of both the Curragour Pipe Band and, some years later, the Dunraven Pipe Band. Both bands enjoyed considerable success under his stewardship which culminated with the Dunraven Pipe Band winning a World Pipe Band Championship title.

The Dunraven Pipe Band became defunct when Ruari emigrated to Spain in 1991 but his interest in Irish music persisted. He organised numerous Irish Festivals throughout Andalucia and founded a popular celtic rock band, "Celtic Tiger" in which he continued to play bagpipes and uilleann pipes.

As a festival organiser he arranged with a number of ex-members of the Dunraven Pipe Band to join with members of the Curragour Pipe Band and travel to Spain on a number of occasions for performances at Irish Festivals in Estepona, Marbella, Malaga and Seville.

Ruari passed away unexpectedly on 27th April 2014 at his home in Cancelada, Spain. He is survived by his wife Maureen and his three children Ailís, Brian and Lorna.

Slán abhaile agus ar dheis Dé ago raibh a anam uasal.

