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PERTH HIGHLAND PRESENTS

# FLOREAT FIVES

PIPE BAND CONTEST



## Floreat Fives and Fours.

This year, in addition to the Quintet (3 pipers, a bass drummer and a snare drummer) and Quartet (4 pipers) components of our contest, we are adding a **Floreat Freestyle** event where bands can add any other instruments to their performance (guitars, strings, percussion etc).

The small band format changes the dynamic, allowing bands to field multiple teams, and potentially play up a grade to introduce some entertaining competition.

### The Floreat Fives format.

Quintets of 3 pipers, 1 bass, 1 snare. Medleys for Grade 1, 2, 3, 4a, 4b and Juvenile.  
Selection of Marches for Grades 4b and Juvenile.

### The Floreat Fours format.

Quartets of 4 pipers. Medleys for Grade 1, 2, 3, 4a, 4b and Juvenile.  
Selection of Marches for Grades 4 and Juvenile.

### Floreat Freestyle format.

Play with 6 or less musicians, comprising at least 33% pipe band instruments (for example, 1 tenor drum, 1 guitar, 1 fiddle – or 2x bagpipes with 1 bongo drum and 1 tenor drum).

### Think of the possibilities:

- Enter 2 or more teams in your grade and motivate excellence through friendly rivalry.
- Have 1 team try out a new medley while another plays the tried-and-true one.
- Have your best players “play up a grade” and give the guys above you a scare.
- New quartet and quintet rules change who you can play with... you don't have to be a registered band, you just need to have registered individuals in you group. Read more [here](#)

### Fun & friendly setting.

The venue is a raised outdoor stage area at the Cambridge Scout Hall, with a backdrop of shady Perry Lakes parkland. Spectators form an L shape and are closer to the bands than regular contests. There will be haggis burgers, sausage sizzle, coffees, soft drinks and bar service.





## FLOREAT FIVES 2024 Quintet Competition

**Date:** Sunday 24 March 2024  
**Time:** 10.00am start, 2pm estimated finish

**Venue:** Perry Lakes Area 7  
Rear of Cambridge Scout Hall at Alberbury Reserve  
Off Perry Lakes Drive



**Entry Fee:** \$25 per band per performance  
**Entries Close:** 6pm, Sunday 17 March 2024

**Host Band:** Perth Highland Pipe Band



## Contest Conditions

- This contest will be run under [Pipe Bands Australia Small Group Rules](#)
  - Players of a group shall be Members of the Association (Pipe Bands WA) but are not required to be registered with the same band.
  - **Quintet** – (3 Pipers, 1 Bass, 1 Snare). Pipe Major, lead snare and/or lead bass permitted to play in more than one team under rule C. Tune requirements as stated in Part B.4.01 under [Pipe Bands Australia Inc. contest rules](#)
  - **Quartet** – (4 Pipers). Pipe Major permitted to play in more than one team under rule C. Tune requirements as stated in Part B.4.01 under [Pipe Bands Australia Inc. contest rules](#)
  - **Freestyle** – (6 or less musicians). This is an open component, and players need not be registered. Rules and guidelines detailed on Page 5.
- The promoter reserves the right to cancel any event if insufficient entries.
  - Entries close 6pm on **17 March 2024**.
  - Entry fee to be paid at contest prior to performing. Please find Announcer Desk for payment.
  - Entries received after the due date may be accepted, but subject to a \$10 late entry fee.
  - By sending in an entry, the band agrees to be liable for payment.
  - All decisions made by the Contest Supervisor are final.

## Contest Elements

FIVES	
A	Grade 1 Medley Quintet
B	Grade 2 Medley Quintet
C	Grade 3 Medley Quintet
D	Grade 4a Medley Quintet
E	Grade 4b Medley Quintet
F	Juvenile Medley Quintet
G	G4 Selection of Marches Quintet
H	Juvenile Selection Marches Quintet

FOURS	
I	Grade 1 Medley Quartet
J	Grade 2 Medley Quartet
K	Grade 3 Medley Quartet
L	Grade 4a Medley Quartet
M	Grade 4b Medley Quartet
N	Juvenile Medley Quartet
O	G4 Selection of Marches Quartet
P	Juvenile Selection Marches Quartet
Q	Floreat Freestyle – Open

## Please send your completed Entry Form to:

Email Address: [events@pipebandswa.com.au](mailto:events@pipebandswa.com.au)

Payments: Payment to the Announcer's Desk on the day, prior to performing.  
Cash or cheques accepted. Cheques made to Perth Highland Pipe Band.

# NEW Floreat Freestyle element.

A new competition category!

*Aim: To provide a platform where the focus is to generate fun and encourage musical creativity that pushes the boundaries of a traditional pipe band contest.*

## RULES AND GUIDELINES

- Teams with a maximum limit of six musicians.
- At least 33% traditional pipe band instruments must be included (so one third of the total instruments should be either a highland bagpipe, bass drum, tenor drum or snare drum), but can be accompanied by any other musical instruments.
- 3 minutes minimum and 6 minutes maximum time limit for the set.
- No restrictions on the type of music (rock, classical, folk etc).
- No need to commence the set with 3-paced rolls.
- Competitors are not required to be registered members of Pipe Bands Australia and are not restricted to wearing traditional highland dress.
- Judging will be by a panel and will take into account audience appeal and entertainment.

**Entry Form**  
**FLOREAT FIVES & FOURS CONTESTS**  
**Sunday 24 March 2024**

1. Form required for each team entry.
2. Please name each team eg: Coastals "Salties"  
Perth Metro "Youngbloods", Cockburn "Burners" etc)
3. [Click here](#) to download a Word Document version of this form.
4. Email your completed forms to [events@pipebandswa.com.au](mailto:events@pipebandswa.com.au)

**Contest element for this entry form**

(eg: J: Grade 3 Medley Quartet): \_\_\_\_\_

**Group Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Group Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR QUINTET ENTRY**

Piper 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Piper 2: \_\_\_\_\_ Piper 3: \_\_\_\_\_

Snare: \_\_\_\_\_ Bass : \_\_\_\_\_

-OR-

**FOR QUARTET ENTRY**

Piper 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Piper 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Piper 3: \_\_\_\_\_ Piper 4: \_\_\_\_\_

-OR-

**FOR FREESTYLE ENTRY**

Musicians: \_\_\_\_\_

List of Tunes: \_\_\_\_\_

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*I have read and agree to the Contest Conditions.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Announcements

We will have an announcer on the day, introducing each band and hyping you up!

Please supply a brief history or interesting facts about your band or group that will guide our MC prior to your performance:

Name for your team	
Anything need explaining about the nickname?	
Band tartan & year of founding	
Notable recent achievements/ trips/ performances?	
Anything coming up you'd like to plug?	

Thank you!