



# The Royal Scottish Pipe Band Association

## Prescribed Tunes Group

(Role description, duties and guidance)

### **Introduction / Role context.**

The Royal Scottish Pipe Band Association (RSPBA) Prescribed Tunes Group is a sub-committee of the Music Board that works on behalf of the Directors to maintain the details of the [Prescribed Tunes](#) on the RSPBA web site which are continuously reviewed and additional tunes added to meet the requests for change received by the Music Board from the Bands via the Branches.

### **Organisation and Reporting.**

The Music Board agree the members of the Tunes Group annually and ensure they are notified / approved by the Board of Directors.

### **The Process.**

Bands who wish to have a tune added to the list of Prescribed Tunes, must make a request to the group via their branch Music Board representative or Director. The request will be passed to the Music Board and then on to the group.

A request should contain as much supporting detail as possible, such as the Name, Time Signature and supporting reason for the tune being added.

The group will consider the request ensuring it is in keeping with the musical appreciation of the tunes already on the Prescribed Tunes list.

The originator of the request will be notified by the MB administrator if the request has been accepted or declined.

If the tune has been accepted it will be added initially to the list on the RSPBA web site, without a link to a sample score, the sample score will be made available and linked on the web site as soon as possible. The reason for adding the tune to the list

without a sample score it to notify all bands of its availability for use at the earliest opportunity.

The screenshot shows the RSPBA website with a dropdown menu open under the 'Prescribed Tunes' navigation item. The menu lists the following options: 2 Parted Marches, 4 Parted Marches, 2 Parted Strathspeys, 4 Parted Strathspeys, 2 Parted Reels, and 4 Parted Reels. The main content area includes an introduction, major championships for Grade 4B and Novice Juvenile B, and Grade 4A and Novice Juvenile A, along with a list of tunes and a 'Latest News' sidebar.

The screenshot shows the '2 Parted Marches' page on the RSPBA website. It features a search bar and a table listing various tunes. The table has the following columns: Tune Name, Pipe Score, Sample Drum Score, and Note.

Tune Name	Pipe Score	Sample Drum Score	Note
Achary Glen	[pdf]		Added for 2015
Atholl and Breadalbane Gathering	[pdf]		Revised for 2015
Auchmountain's Bonnie Glen	[pdf]		Revised for 2015
Australian Ladies	[pdf]		Revised for 2015
Campbell's Farewell to Redcastle	[pdf]		Revised for 2015
Captain Norman Orr Ewing	[pdf]		Added for 2015

The page also includes a 'Latest News' sidebar with updates from November and October 2021, and a '2022 Information' section with links to the calendar, grading changes, and fees.