

Kick off the year with a one day intensive fresh look at improving Band performances as well as working towards individual achievements. PBA approved Piping and Drumming tutors, Garry Barker and Mark Romer, will take you through key areas that will vastly improve your efforts to play as one unit, a band.

Topics covered on the day include:

- Achieving a better sound:

Techniques on blowing correctly, keeping stable pressure, tuning and tone. As well as drum corps positioning of snares and bass section to achieve the right sound.

- Performance:

Techniques on all playing together as one unit. Phrasing & Execution with focus on rhythm and expression. Overall band dynamics and ensemble.

This workshop is aimed at both competitive and non-competitive bands. All participants must be capable of playing 'High Road to Gairloch' and 'Barren Rocks of Aden' (2 parts each). These two tunes will be used as the focus to apply the newly learnt techniques during the day. Participants will be expected to have a minimum of 12 months experience on full instruments, either bagpipes or drums, in public band performances e.g. Street Marches.

We are not here to learn new tunes, but improve on the ones we already play!

Tickets: \$65 each (includes lunch)

(Group bookings of 8 or more receive a 10% discount until 11:59pm December 31st).

(Discount applied at checkout). Please email us if you want more than 8 tickets as a Group Booking

Email: chrslpb@bigpond.com

Book using this URL: https://www.trybooking.com/ZTRN

9am - 5pm Saturday 2nd of March 2019

Arthur Phillip High School Eastern Campus (previous Rowland Hassel School for Special Purposes). Corner Harris & Hassall Street, Parramatta NSW 2150.

(Car park entrance off Hassall Street).

Thursday 21st of Feb 2019: 'Touch Up Maintenance Night':

Redoing some basic maintenance at Castle RSL Pipe Band practice in order to get players instruments to a decent level, so that we do not spend the whole Saturday fixing minor issues. More Information will be given to those that book.