



QUEEN'S BANDS

# THE PLAID POST

Welcome back!! It's been such a great start to the year and Bands has been busy!  
Let's see what we've gotten up to!





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## SINCE 1905... WE'RE AT IT AGAIN!

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With orientation spirit high, and campus coming back to life, it was time to find the next year of Bandsies! We kicked the week off with leading the Tricolour Parade and performing for the hundreds of incoming first years. After our auditions we are now a full band of 120 members!



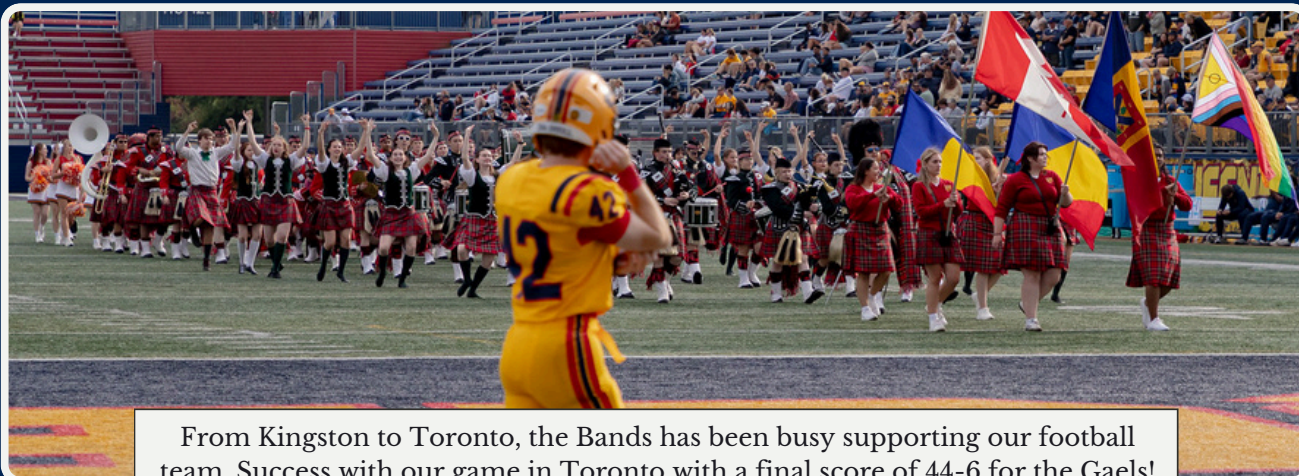
Photos: Jeff Chan and Queen's Bands Members



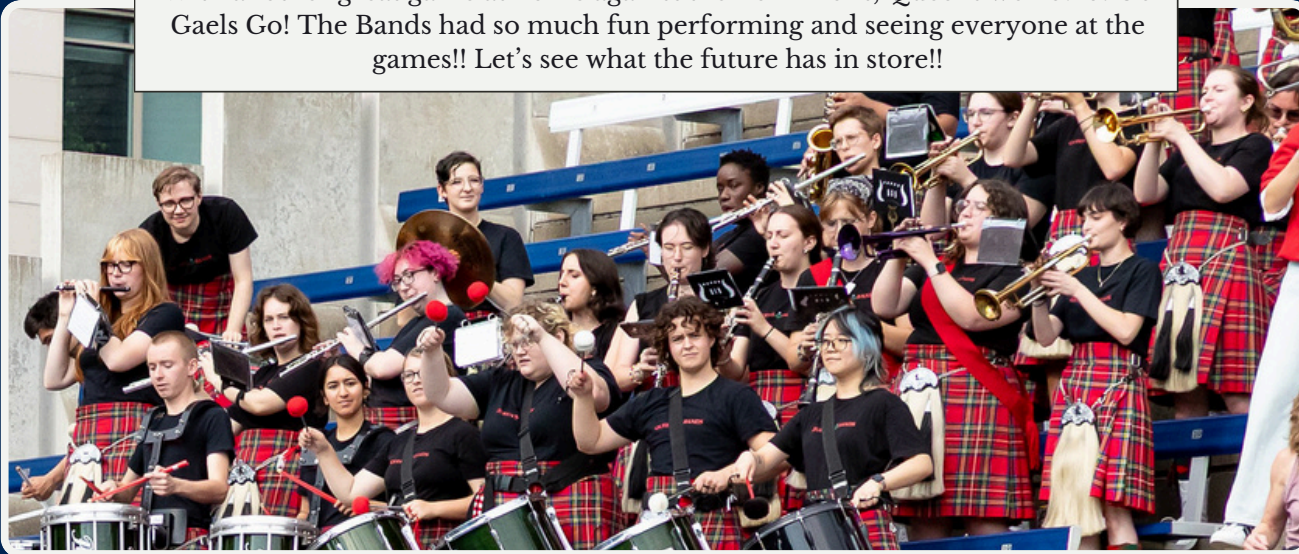
The excitement never stops! Thank you to all our enthusiastic returning members who came out to Queen's in the Park, Tricolour Open House and Sidewalk Sale to promote the most fun club on campus!!



# Football Games!!



From Kingston to Toronto, the Bands has been busy supporting our football team. Success with our game in Toronto with a final score of 44-6 for the Gaels! With another great game at home against the York Lions, Queens won 57-5! Go Gaels Go! The Bands had so much fun performing and seeing everyone at the games!! Let's see what the future has in store!!





# Exciting Events!



## *Crest Painting!*

Great touch-up! Thanks to the bandsies who helped re-paint our crest to keep it fresh and looking good! Come take pictures with the crest at homecoming!!

## *Boardgame Social!*

Who doesn't love boardgames? Our social coordinators hosted a wonderful night of games and fun!



*Exec Photos!!*



# Alumni Highlight!

**GLENN J. DONOVAN**  
(QUEEN'S B.A. '86,  
B.ED. '91)

From 1983 to 1987, I played the bagpipes with the Queen's University Bands, proudly serving as Pipe Major for one season. Those years were filled with unforgettable memories and friendships. I still remember the excitement of following the football team through two Vanier Cup championships in addition to marching down the streets of Manhattan in the annual Macy's Thanksgiving Day parade. The music, the travel and the friendships forged in tartan and tradition left a lasting mark. Almost four decades later, I still enjoy playing in both military and contest pipe bands - both here and in Scotland.



Photos: Macy's Thanksgiving Parade 1983

Photo: Glasgow, Scotland 2024



Even though many years have past since I was a member of the Queen's University Bands, the sound of the pipes still stirs memories performing at the pre-game and half-time shows, the late nights of marching practice at Richardson stadium, the many spirited parades, and the joy of representing Queen's with pride.

Now a retired secondary school music teacher, Glenn continues to support the Queens community as a Booster Club Representative on the Queen's University Alumni Assembly, and as a member of the QUAA Board's Alumni Engagement Committee. His past service includes participation on the Senate Orientation Review Committee.



# Heads Up Alumni!!

## Homecoming!

This October 17-18<sup>th</sup>, come see Queen's Bands at Homecoming!

**FRI  
17**

### ALUMNI MEET AND GREET

Grant Hall, 4:00 PM

### ALUMNI PARADE TO RICHARDSON

10:30 AM, starting at Grant Hall

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### HOMECOMING GAME AND HALFTIME PERFORMANCE

Richardson Stadium, 1:00PM



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