



2025 COMPETITION RESULTS



GROUP A : ART & CRAFT

A1 Art (Lynda Swift Trophy)

1st: Paul Raven (Morpeth); 2nd: Irene Gilmartin (Morpeth);
3rd: Ray Quickfall (Whickham); Highly Commended: Roy Sanderson (Morpeth)

A4A Photography

1st: Glyn Trueman (Morpeth); 2nd: Susan Dawson (Morpeth);
3rd: Susan Dawson

A6 Exotic T-Shirt Location Photography

1st: John & Caroline Turnbull (Woking); 2nd: John & Caroline Turnbull;
3rd: Andrea Capitain (Cologne)

A35 Needlework Item

1st: Ellen Black (Lynemouth); 2nd: Heather Smith (Morpeth);
3rd: Carmel Copeland (Morpeth); Highly Commended: Ellen Black

A40 Knitting & Crochet Item

1st: Victoria Harrison (Morpeth); 2nd: Meg Wilson (York); 3rd: Heather Smith;
Commended: Susan Smith (Morpeth)

A59 Miscellaneous

1st: Natalse Praed (Morpeth); 2nd: Carmel Copeland (Morpeth);
3rd: Ellen Black; Commended: Carmel Copeland

A63 Disabled Craft

1st Susan Hine (Morpeth); 2nd: Susan Hine; 3rd: Susan Hine

A64 Junior Individual Craft

1st: Meredith McFarlane (Morpeth); 2nd: E Archbold (Tritlington); 3rd E Archbold

A65 Junior Group Craft

1st, 2nd & 3rd: Tritlington First School

A66 Wyn Bibby Ingenuity Trophy

1st: Natalie Praed

A70 Shop Window Display

1st: Enjoy (Sanderson Arcade); 2nd= Chantry; Mackays (Bridge Street); Morpeth Antique Centre (Newgate Street)

A72 Group Costume

1st: Storytellers Band; 2nd: Time Bandits (Belsay); 3rd: The Chantry staff

A73A Cushie Butterfield Costume

1st: Anne Swailes (Rothbury); 2nd: Jan Clarke (Morpeth)

A73B Cuddy Butterfield Costume

1st: Emperor Hadrian (Hadrian Clog musician)

GROUP B: Writing and Composing

B1 Song Composition

1st: Tom Patterson (Bournville), "The Seahorse"; 2nd: Graham Bell (Cheshire), "The Pressed Keelman;" 3rd: Ralph Wrighton (Hexham), "Border Reivers"

B2A Melody Composition

1st: Marina Dodgson (Gosforth), "My Sister's a Puzzle to Me;" 2nd: Susan Clarke, "The Mayor of Berwick," 3rd: Peter Dunn (Kettering), "Back Barn"

B2B Composing Excellence

1st: Marina Dodgson; 2nd: Colin Bradford (Alnwick); 3rd: Geoff Wright (Doncaster)

B2C Variations Composition

1st: Marina Dodgson, "Chimney Bird;" 2nd: Geoff Wright, "Cockle Geordie;" 3rd: Geoff Wright, "Pipers of Old."

B3B Open Dialect Verse

1st: Graham Bell, “Barn Conversions;” 2nd: James Tait (Rothbury), “River Walk;” 3rd: Craig Hunn (Neville’s Cross), “The Tale of tha’ Grippin’ Woorm;” Highly Commended: John Robertson (Ashington), “Set Lines.”

B5 Dialect Prose

1st: Brian Dawson (Blyth), “Letters from the Front Line.”

B8 Short Story

1st: Lynne C Potter (Hexham), “Threading Beads;” 2nd=: John Robertson, “School Mornings;” 2nd=: Carol Dixon (Pegswood), “The Mournful Singer.”

B16 English Verse

1st: Patricia Defty, (Corbridge) “That Afternoon on Bamburgh Beach;” 2nd: Christine Lowes (Corbridge), “Coal;” 3rd: Graham Bell, “Echo of the Colliery.”

GROUP C: Performing

C1 Junior Singing

1st: Martha Darcey (Otterburn)

C3 Unaccompanied Singing

1st: Brian Hunt (South Shields); 2nd: Graham Bell;

3rd: Bob Bolam (Prudhoe)

C4 Accompanied Singing

1st: Dave Venus (Chollerton); 2nd: Malcolm McKinnen (Corbridge);

3rd: Graham Bell

C5 Traditional Ballad

1st: Marilyn Framrose (Chollerton); 2nd: Peter Armstrong (Stocksfield);

3rd: Pat Oldale (Eyemouth)

C6 Folk Group/Concert Band

1st: Whinberry (Haydon Bridge); 2nd: Hexham Village Band (Hexham)

C7B Country Dance Band

1st: Hexham Village Band; 2nd=: Whinberry, Tyneside Fiddle Alliance (Seaton Sluice) and Redheughers (Gateshead)

C10B Intermediate Smallpipes

1st: Tilly Lamb (Ponteland); 2nd: Sasha Lamb (Ponteland)

C10D Open Smallpipes

1st: Alex Barrass (Stocksfield); 2nd: Melanie Rothman (Munich);

3rd: Jonathan Pearson (Mexborough)

C10D Most Promising Young Piper

1st: Sasha Lamb

C11 Miscellaneous Traditional instrument

1st: Ruth Harvey (North Shields); 2nd: Eric Davison (Ashington)

C12 Traditional Instruments Duet

1st; Scarlett Edwards and William Edwards (Morpeth)

C14 Border Pipes

1st: Alex Barrass; 2nd: Jonathan Pearson

C18 Northumbrian Speech

1st: Graham Bell; 2nd: Eileen Beers (Morpeth); 3rd: John Robertson

C22 Storytelling

1st: Graham Bell; 2nd: John Robertson

C26 Hoafy Trophy

1st; Graham Bell; 2nd: Stuart Lawson Choppington)

C27 Emily Inspires! Trophy

1st: Pat Oldale; 2nd: Marilyn Framrose

Next year's 58th Gathering: 10th to 12th April 2026 (to be confirmed)

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