## **Annual Report 2022 – Band Registrar**

After a Coronavirus driven hiatus, band competitions were significantly up in number this year. In fact, this is the first close-to-normal competition season for which I have been WUSPBA band registrar!

This year so far, there have been thirteen events that have featured pipe band competitions and over 50 bands have competed. Most of these were in Grade 5 (26 bands), followed by Grade 4 with 15 bands, Grade 3 (6 bands), and Grade 2 (3 bands). When compared to the last normal season, which was 2019 (15 competitions, 54 bands), I feel confident in saying that "WUSPBA band competitions are BACK!"

Having heard from several band managers regarding the woes of dealing with R2 for rostering purposes, I decided to offer my services in helping update and maintain band rosters. This makes sense afterall, as I frequent the murky realms of R2 regularly and have become quite adept at modifying band rosters. I will continue to do this and plan to further ease the process by providing a fillable PDF form for roster changes via the WUSPBA website.

In closing, I look forward to serving as your band registrar throughout 2023 and expect that it'll also prove to be a successful competition season.

Thank-you, Charlie Butterworth WUSPBA Band Registrar