

PRESS RELEASE:

County Fermanagh & District Massed Pipe Band- 100th Anniversary WW1 Tribute



As part of the commemoration events to remember the sacrifice of so many from the Fermanagh community; Pipers, Drummers and Drum Majors from County Fermanagh and District are coming together on Sunday 11th November, Armistice Evening, to pay tribute to those who gave so much in the First World. The band tribute will follow the Service of Thanksgiving taking place in Enniskillen and immediately precede the lighting of the beacon in the grounds of St McCartins Cathedral

Two and a Half thousand pipers served in the First World War, the death toll rate was astronomically high, with over five hundred pipers killed and indeed many more wounded. All of the most famous pipers and composers of the day served. The pipe band community are indeed extremely proud of their piping heritage

and recognise the tremendous sacrifice that these pipers made.

The band will assemble in the Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen at 4:30 pm on Armistice Sunday to rehearse forming up in Church Street, Enniskillen from 6:00 pm to play the Hymn 'Abide with Me' followed by 'Amazing Grace' and finally the Pipe Major William Robb of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, composition, 'When The Battles O'er.' The Band will be under the command of well known Fermanagh Drum Major David Brownlee.

Organisers have extended their invitation to all of the Pipe Band community within the Fermanagh and District area to take part in this tribute. Further details regarding the event can be requested from Ian.Burrows@RSPBANI.org