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Joe joined the 2nd Batt. Scots Guards straight from school. Later he played with the Clan MacLeod Pipe Band and then as Pipe Sergeant in the Clan Cruachan Pipe Band before joining the Cameron Highlanders 1st Battalion the Liverpool Scottish where he served until its disbandment in 1967. He then moved to the 103 Light Air Defence Regiment as Pipe Major and commanded the band there for several years.

Joe then moved to Ayr, where he was P/Sgt of the Killoch Colliery Pipe Band and later played with British Caledonian Airways Pipe Band.

In retirement he moved to Formby where he helped for several years in training the Merseyside Cadet Pipe Band at Altcar.

This book includes all the tunes Joe wrote over the years and includes all the tunes which appeared in the Airs & Graces Books 1 and 2 which I published around 2002-2006 with the addition of a few more Joe wrote before he passed away in 1913.

Since then Joe Davies, one of Joe's pupils and now an piping instructor at the Army School of Piping, has staged an annual memorial recital in his memory in which every recitalist has to include at least one of Joe's compositions in their selection of tunes. This collection is already in the public domain so there is no copyright issue. All I do ask is that if you use any of the tunes you acknowledge who wrote them.

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http://www.eyrewaves.co.uk/pipingpages/Airs_and_Graces.asp

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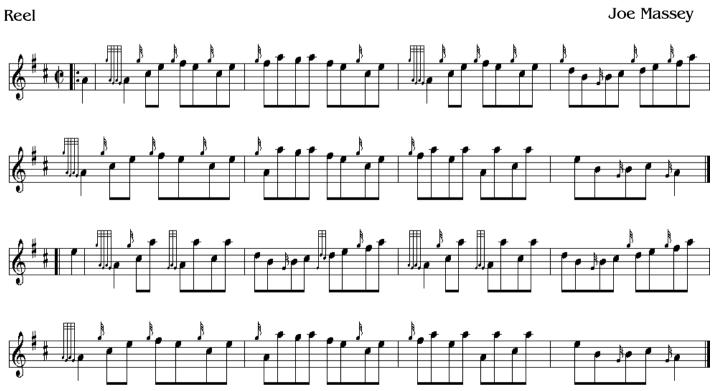
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Judy's Great Escape

Old sheepdog I took in from Animal Rescue

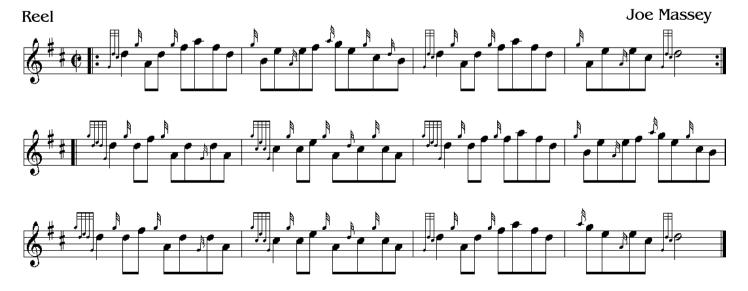


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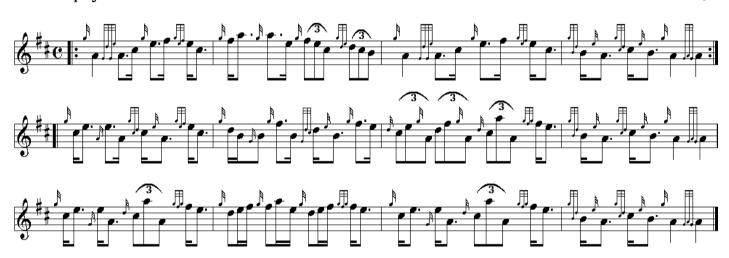
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Evan MacRae came to the Liverpool Scottish near the end of his army career after an illustrious 17 years as Pipe Major in the Queens Own Cameron Highlanders (1944-1961).

He served as Pipe Major to the Liverpool Scottish

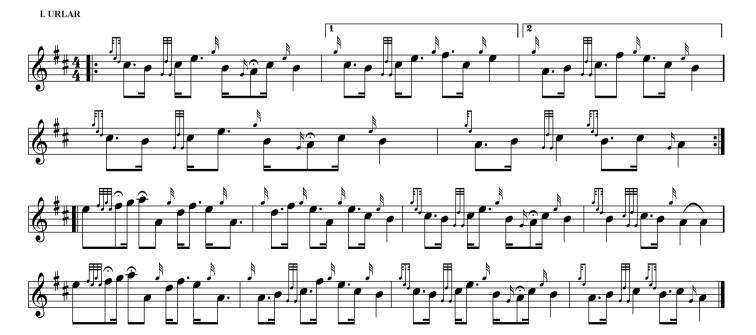
for 5 years (1962-1967) before retiring when the 1st Batt. was disbanded.

He then moved to Fort William where he taught piping full-time in the schools in the district of Lochaber.

He earned a formidable reputation as a teacher and competitor. The summit of his piping career came in 1982 when, at the age of 60, he won the Gold Medal for piobaireachd at Oban.



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