Ancient City Pipes and Drums

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We are the Ancient City Pipes and Drums of St. Augustine, Florida. We are always looking for new members, experienced Pipers and Drummers or if you are interested in learning we can teach.

In 2000 Pipe Major Dave LeConey and Pipe Sgt Winston Boyd, both members of the Jacksonville Pipes & Drums, started talking about forming a new band. One closer to home. Being residents of St. Augustine, Florida which was about an hour south of Jacksonville, both decided it was getting a little too much after a days work. After 16 years it was hard leaving, having been members of the Jacksonville band for many years. Pipe Major LeConey having joined Jacksonville during their first year as a new band in 1984. During that first year Dave and Winston mainly practiced at each others homes and started laying out the ground floor of their new band. Setting up a reportoire, recruitment etc. It was during this first year that Dave's wife Betty met Ralph Shear (3Piper with the Daytona Beach Pipes & Drums) in the Wal-Mart Shopping Center, St Augustine, after noticing his Scottish bumper stickers. Ralph living in Palm Coast also knew of another piper, Jack Kelly in Palm Coast. The band now had 4 pipers and the possible support of the St. Johns County Sheriff's Dept. After picking up several more pipers and plenty of practice, we stepped off in our first parade in December 2000. What was once called the 'British Night Watch' now called the 'Grand Illumination'. Since that first parade, we have had members come and go, but we are still around and growing. In 2002, we did our last parade as the Sheriff's Dept Pipes & Drums and became the Ancient City Pipes & Drums. We now have 9 regular (3active) Pipers 2 seasonal pipers, 4 active drummers, 2 seasonal drummers, a Drum Major and approximately 8-10 associate pipers and drummers (3members or other groups who perform with us on occasion). We are a non-profit, non-competition band, but strive to play and perform at a level and quality befitting any competition group. All monies earned go toward band equipment, outfitting new members and tuition for members wishing to attend Piping and Drumming Schools or Seminars. We have performed/paraded in New York City, Universal Studios Macy's Parade, St. Augustine, Daytona Beach, Palm Coast, Orlando and Highland Games throughout the NE and Central Florida area.

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