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AMOCO RENEGADES, seeking its fourth Panorama title, topped the North-East zonal preliminaries on Sunday with a scintillating rendition of Baron's "Somebody."

Playing before thousands of pan lovers at the Queen's Park Savannah, Port-of-Spain, Renegades was one of the few bands to "light up" the crowd with its performance.

The tune was arranged by Jit Samaroo, who decided to switch from a Kitchener rendition this year. In the past, including the three occasions Renegades won, the Charlotte Street band played a Kitchener tune.

Renegades, playing in the number 23 position, earned 267 points.

Trintoc Invaders placed second with 260 points. The Woodbrook-based band played Ray Holman's "Life's Too Short."

Reigning national champion, Phase II Pan Groove, was third with 253 points. Its tune was Len "Boogsie" Sharpe's "Fire Down Below," arranged by "Boogsie," who was responsible for Phase II's two Panorama successes.

Fertrin Pandemonium, playing a slower version of "Somebody," tied for fourth place with Carib Tokyo ("Carnival is Fuh Woman") with 252 points.