

Newsletter



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Welcome

Hello to you for the second time this year, they said they wanted me to try again as I did such a bad job last time, so here we are. What has Liss band been upto, well lets see, Basingstoke Music Festival was one of the more important engagements for the band in the first part of the year, but more on that later. We have been trying as ever to raise funds for the supply of new equipment and uniform. Earlier this year we even performed for someone's birthday party, and of course we continue to rehearse every week.

Basingstoke Music Festival

On Friday 28th March the band competed in the open section of the Basingstoke Music Festival. Four bands were entered in total, these being Blendworth, Basingstoke Silver, Watership Brass & ourselves the Liss band. We opened the contest with a good performance consisting of three pieces that the band had been preparing for a while. Sheperds Hey, Maids of the Mourne Shore a Cornet solo played by Steve Kemp & finally West Country Fantasy. It was an enjoyable performance, although speaking for myself the nerves did manage to creep in a little bit. However, the band performed very well & came away with a very well deserved second place. Final results were Blendworth 82 pts, Basingstoke Silver 82 pts, Liss Band 84 pts & Watership 86 pts. Well done to everyone for all the hard work.

Future Engagements

Sunday 25th May.

Guildford Bandstand, 2:00 - 4:00

Saturday 7th June.

Petersfield Festival Hall, Joint
Concert with Chichester City

7:30 - 10:00

Saturday 14th June.

Liss Carnival, 12:30 - 3:00

Saturday 5th July.

R.B.L Fete, Churchers College
Petersfield, 1:00 - 4:30

Saturday 12th July.

St Marys Fete, Triangle Centre
Liss, 2:00 - 4:00

Wednesday 16th July.

Steep Junior School, 7:00 - 10:00

Sunday 20th July.

Alton Bandstand 2:00 - 4:00

Saturday 2nd August.

Rogate Fete, 2:00 - 4:00

New Members

Warm greetings to two new members this time around, firstly to Johann Mintoff who has been with us for the best part of this year playing Bb bass. Also welcome to Godfrey Jones on second Baritone, may we take this opportunity to welcome you both as new members to Liss Band.

If you know of anyone who may be interested in joining the band please get in touch all are welcome.

Bandstand

Guildford Bandstand is one of the many outdoor engagements that we enjoy playing at every year. This was taken during May of this year.





Fundraising

As mentioned in our last newsletter, fundraising for both new instruments & a new uniform is high on our priority list at the moment. So far for uniforms we have managed to raise a total of £898.33pence, which is remarkable in such a short time, congratulations to everyone and well done. We have collected money at concerts and also the profits of cd sales have gone into the fund. We have recently shared profits from a concert at Buriton church which seems to be a popular way of making money for both the band and the venue, so we are looking for other venues for a Wednesday night concert, enabling both



Do you know someone?

The training section is working as hard as ever, currently we have 6 people who attend under the guidance of former band conductor Roy Perry. All are welcome to join they rehearse on a Tuesday evening 7:00pm til 8:00pm at the Evangelical Church Hall in Liss Forest. Early in May a few players helped promote the band and training section at the Liss Junior School with a mini concert. I am sure you will agree this is an important link for the band and of course for the pupils of the school. Thankyou to everyone that helped out, and of course to Roy for organising the program, I think it was very well received.



CD Available

Our Compact disc is still available, at only £10 it is a must for everyone's music library. You can get your copy in Jade News in the village or contact any member of the band.



Don't Forget The Tape!!!

Not only is our C.D. still available but no collection would be complete without the addition of the band's cassette recorded back in 1997, copies are still available and of course all profits go towards current fundraising projects. Go on they make a great paperweight. Contact any band member for details. Only £4.00.

LISS BAND IN CONCERT



How do you make a trombone sound like a French horn? - *Stick your hand up the bell & play a lot of wrong notes.*

Why do bagpiper's walk when they play? - *To get away from the sound.*

What is the range of an Eb Bass? - *About 10 metres with a good arm.*

and Finally...

If you have any ideas, notices, comments or requests for future editions of our Newsletter, then please get in touch through the contact details on the front cover. Thankyou for your time and support and hope see you at a concert soon.

Many Thanks

The Editor

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