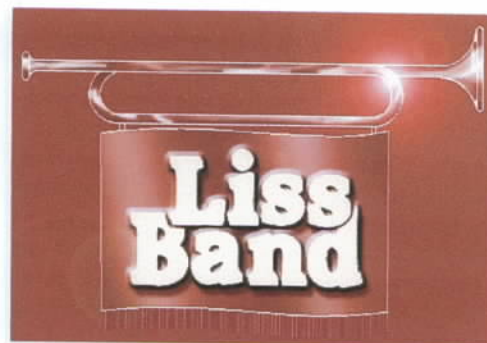


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Welcome once again

Welcome to another instalment of our Band Newsletter. I do apologise that this issue is a little later than expected, as my wife and I have recently moved & it has taken until now to find where we had packed the computer. What's been going on then? I am sure that you would have heard about the concert with Chichester City on June 7th which was an absolutely electric evening. Liss played the first half & Chichester the second with a swing style in mind. The evening ended up with both bands on the stage playing joint items conducted by both Mike Pennicotte-Henrie (of Liss) & John Williams (of Chichester.) We were also well represented at the carnival this year, playing in the centre of the village before the procession and also at the Newman Collard playing fields on the centre green. August 2nd saw us performing at the Rogate Fete, again a good turn out from the band and many good comments back from the public. It made a pleasant change not to get caught in the rain this year as well.

Future Engagements

Sunday 9th November.

Liss, Remembrance 10:00 - 12:00

Thursday 27th November.

Princes Garden Centre, Rake
7:00 - 9:00

Saturday 29th November.

Portsmouth Historic Shipyard
Festival of Christmas T.B.C.

Sunday 30th November.

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Friday 5th December.

Princes Garden Centre, Rake
7:00 - 9:00

Wednesday 10th December.

Liss, R.B.L. Ladies Carols
8:00 - 9:00

Sunday 14th December.

Petersfield, U.R.C. (time to be decided.)

Thursday 18th December.

Buriton, Carols
6:00 - 8:00

Friday 19th December.

Petersfield, Highlights Concert
(time to be decided.)

Saturday 20th December.

Petersfield, Highlights Concert.
(time to be decided.)

Christmas is Coming

Sorry to mention it so soon. However Jolly old Saint Nick will soon be upon us and as we always have a lot of engagements at this time of year. I have decided to try and send (if possible) an update to our engagement list a little nearer the time. Please understand that Christmas is a very busy time for the brass band world. Many of the engagements can be subject to change at the last minute so please if you are unsure of the time, date or location get in touch with a member of the committee.

Liss Carnival

After hearing that Christmas is coming I thought a nice reminder of the warmer times we have had this year were needed. This picture was taken at the Liss Carnival on June 14th. As you can see the weather was glorious & the band were pretty good too.





Congratulations

To Mark & Liz our Baritone & Trombone players who tied the knot on Saturday 2nd August. What luck you had with the weather, an absolutely scorching day, we'll let you off not playing at the Rogate job then. May I take this moment to officially congratulate the new Mr & Mrs Cumner and wish you both every happiness in your new lives together. Nice to see your keeping up the Brass Bandsman image with the beer Mark.



A Temporary Farewell

Christine Hull has sadly left us for a year as she is off study in Germany. Christine has been with the band for quite a few years coming up from our training section. We wish her well and say thankyou for her commitment to the band over the years. Don't forget where we are when you return.

Fundraising Update

We seem to have been trying to raise funds for an eternity, however I can report that we now have a staggering £1444 in our uniform account so things are looking up for our 30th anniversary concert next year, but there is still a very long way to go. More ideas are needed if we are going to make the target of £5000 in time for our anniversary year when we hope to have our new uniform. More money has been pledged from various parties for sponsored runs and the like. I hope to have a little more information on that in the next issue. In the mean time any ideas for raising money will be welcome.

Thankyou

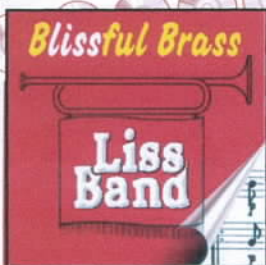
As we head for the end of the year I thought it was about time to say a few words of thanks. Firstly to Dave Thomas a local peripatetic music teacher, who has helped out on a number of occasions this year on Trombone, many of them at very short notice.

Thanks for your support. Also Thankyou to all the people who have helped scenes this year to help things flow "smoothly". Finally a word of thanks to you yourselves our followers and supporters. We all commit a lot of time and effort to the band and it is great to present a performance that

CD Available

Don't forget the Christmas pressie of the decade the band CD is still available at only £10

Blissful Brass



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.

and Finally...

Many Thanks
 The Editor

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