

The Silver Prize

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Band Room News



NEMBBA

Sharon has been elected a vice-president of NEMBBA in recognition of her long service to banding in the area.

Small Business Rates Relief

A big thank you to our vice-president Councillor Kevin Miller, who has helped the band secure 100% small business relief, saving the band nearly £1,300 a year.



Rebecca Hunt

Out training band are performing at Chilwell Road Methodist Church on Saturday 17th March at 7:30 p.m. to help Rebecca raise funds for a project in Africa.

World Challenge Trip – Ashleigh Henshaw

Ashleigh is hoping to go on a World Challenge trip to Swaziland next Summer to spend 3 weeks at a children's centre working with orphaned and vulnerable children who have been badly affected by HIV and AIDS. To do this she needs to raise in total £2,850. Her fundraising page is at <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/ashleigh-henshaw>.

Ashleigh has organised for a local company (Risley Fashion) to hold a fashion show/sale on Saturday 3rd March at St Johns Church, Canal Street, Long Eaton. Tickets are £3 each, or entry is £3.50 on the door. Doors open at 7.30 p.m. for an 8 p.m. show. Clothes are ex-chain store (Zara, Wallis, Next etc.) at bargain prices. All proceeds from ticket sales go straight to the cause. Ashleigh will have tickets with her every week at training band practice.



Erewash Film Society

This month's film is being shown on Monday 19th February at 7:30 p.m. Details of the film are posted in the band room (the license prevents us from advertising which films are being shown other than on the band's premises).

All members of the band are welcome. Free admission.

Jackets

Please remember to return any spare jackets or other equipment (such as band instruments you are no longer using) that you may have (we are running short of jackets in particular).



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Notes from the Musical Director



During February we will be focusing exclusively on preparing Napoleon for NEMBBA at the end of the month, and then for the area in March. As was Darkwood last year, Napoleon is not a difficult piece technically and again all the bands will be expected to play the notes. The band placings will be determined by how well the bands deliver good, balanced, tuneful ensemble playing at the correct dynamics. It not sufficient to press the correct valves down, hit the correct harmonic, and (for cornets) to remember to trigger low C# and D. We need clean and correct articulation (accents, legato), correct note lengths, and above all good intonation.

We have arranged a number of extra sectionals and rehearsals this month and our focus initially will be mainly on these aspects of our playing. Similarly, in your home practice, please listen as carefully as you can to make sure that you are playing in tune. Please also remember to put vibrato on your long notes; this will help you blend with your rest of your section in rehearsal and then at the contests. In the final weeks before the area, we will then move on to ensuring our performance is as musical as possible.

Tutorials

Sharon recommends Abracadabra and Tune-a-Day as suitable tutorials for beginners and members of the training band. For more advanced players, Sharon recommends Wright & Round's Complete Method and How Brass Players Do It. All are available on eBay and Amazon.

Five Years Ago

Citizen of the Year

Congratulations to our musical director, Sharon, who has been voted Citizen of the Year by the Rotary Club of Long Eaton.



Ten Years Ago

Loughborough Building Society

The band is most grateful for a grant of £500 from the Loughborough Building Society for twelve new walking out uniforms.



Fifteen Years Ago

Notes from Rolls-Royce Pavilion, Derby (North East Midlands Brass Bands Association Contest)

Result: Fourth Section

1)	Bakewell Silver	M. Wilcockson	180 pts
2)	Matlock	K. Short	179 pts
3)	Long Eaton Silver Prize	S. Stansfield, L.V.C.M. (Hons)	177 pts

Forthcoming Contests

North East Midlands Brass Band Association Contest

We have entered the NEMBBA contest as usual: this year it is on Sunday 25th February at the Postmill Centre, South Normanton.



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Area Contest



We have entered the area contest as usual: this year it is on Saturday 10th March at the Nicholas Chamberlaine College.

Whit Friday Marches

We are considering entering this year's Whit Friday marches on Friday 25th May.



Bolsover Entertainment Contest



We have entered the Bolsover Entertainment Contest: this year it is on Sunday 30th September.

Brass Tuition

For private lessons, contact

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A business card for 'Creative Measures painting services'. It features a silhouette of a painter holding a brush and a bucket. The text includes the company name, the name 'Sarah Measures', and contact information: '220 Thornborough Rd Coalville LE67 3TJ', 'T: 01530 457489', and 'M: 07806791101'.

A business card for 'S M MEASURES Carpentry & Joinery'. It features a background image of a lightbulb. The text includes the company name, 'Stuart Measures', and contact information: '220 Thornborough Rd Coalville, Leics, LE67 3TJ', '07968230901', and 'stu350@live.co.uk'.



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Training Band Diary

Lesley will be issuing engagement schedules with the actual start times once they have been confirmed. Changes to the schedule are marked in red.

2018

	Date	Start	Event	Post Code
Saturday	17 th March	7:30 p.m.	Beeston Methodist Church, Chilwell Road, Beeston	NG9 1EH
Sunday	15 th April	11:30 a.m.	Sawley Marina, Tamworth Rd, Sawley	NG10 3AE
Sunday	22 nd April	1:30 p.m.	St. George's Parade, Long Eaton (with the senior band) Meet by the Leisure Centre, Wilsthorpe Road, Long Eaton	NG10 4AA
Saturday	12 th May	2:00 p.m.	Spring and Plant Fair St. Giles' Church Hall, Church Drive, Sandiacre	NG10 5EE
Saturday	7 th July	9:30 a.m.	Staveley Armed Forces Veterans Association Armed Forces Day (with the senior band) (park in the High Street, Staveley)	S43 3UU
Saturday	1 st September	12:15 a.m.	The Larches Care Home 16 Queens Drive, Ilkeston	DE7 5GR
Sunday	21 st October	1:00 p.m.	Trafalgar Day Parade, Long Eaton (with the senior band) Meet Beaconsfield Street Car Park	NG10 7HJ
Sunday	11 th November	10:15 a.m.	Armistice Parade, Long Eaton (with the senior band) Meet Beaconsfield Street Car Park	NG10 7HJ
Thursday	29 th November	5:30 p.m.	Long Eaton Christmas Lights (with the senior band) Market Square, Long Eaton	NG10 1LT
Monday	17 th December	6:30 p.m.	Scouts & Guides Carol Service All Saints Church, Sawley	NG10 3AT

If you need to miss any of these jobs, please let Lesley and Deborah know **in writing or by email A.S.A.P.**, as we may then need to organise dep. players.

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KPHMS Examinations

Unlike any other examination board and in the interests of flexibility the music played in KPHMS examinations can be from the ABRSM, Trinity Guildhall or KPHMS syllabuses. The only stipulation is that it must be on the syllabus for the chosen instrument, at the chosen grade. An accompanist is also provided. For further details, please see Sharon or visit

<http://www.kphms.com/Examinations.php>

The next examination is mid-April.

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Band Diary

Lisa will be issuing engagement schedules with the actual start times once they have been confirmed. Changes to the schedule are marked in red.

2018

	Date	Start	Event	Post Code
Sunday	25 th February	All Day	North East Midlands Brass Band Association Contest	DE55 2EJ
Saturday	3 rd March	7:30 p.m.	All Saint's Church, 17 Church St, Ockbrook	DE72 3RB
Saturday	10 th March	All Day	Midlands Area Contest Nicholas Chamberlaine College, Bulkington Road, Bedworth	CV12 9EA
Saturday	21 st April	7:30 p.m.	Castle Donington Methodist Church Apiary Gate, Castle Donington	DE74 2JA
Sunday	22 nd April	1:30 p.m.	St. George's Parade, Long Eaton (with the training band) Meet by the Leisure Centre, Wilsthorpe Road, Long Eaton	NG10 4AA
Friday	25 th May	1:00 p.m.	Whit Friday marches (provisional)	
Saturday	26 th May	10:40 a.m.	Erewash Canal Preservation and Development Association Great Northern Canal Basin, Derby Road, Langley Mill	NG16 4AA
Sunday	10 th June	2:00 p.m.	West Park, Long Eaton (enter West Park from the end of Lime Grove)	NG10 4LD
Saturday	7 th July	9:30 a.m.	Staveley Armed Forces Veterans Association Armed Forces Day (with the training band) (park in the High Street, Staveley)	S43 3UU
Sunday	8 th July	9:30 a.m.	Staveley Armed Forces Veterans Association Armed Forces Day (park at Poolsbrook Country Park)	S43 3WL
Saturday	25 th August	7:30 p.m.	All Saints Church, Sawley	NG10 3AT
Saturday	1 st September	TBA	Stapleford Carnival	
Sunday	30 th September	All Day	Bolsover Entertainment Contest Heritage High School, Boughton Lane, Clowne	S43 4QG
Sunday	21 st October	1:00 p.m.	Trafalgar Day Parade, Long Eaton (with the training band) Meet Beaconsfield Street Car Park	NG10 7HJ
Thursday	8 th November	7:30 p.m.	Festival of Remembrance The Winding Wheel 13 Holywell Street, Chesterfield	S41 7SA
Sunday	11 th November	10:15 a.m.	Armistice Parade, Long Eaton (with the training band) Meet Beaconsfield Street Car Park	NG10 7HJ
Sunday	11 th November	6:30 p.m.	Lighting of a Beacon for the 100 th Anniversary of the Armistice Market Place, Long Eaton	NG10 1LT
Saturday	17 th November	7:30 p.m.	St. Mary's Church, Rectory Lane, Bottesford	NG13 0DA
Thursday	29 th November	5:30 p.m.	Long Eaton Christmas Lights (with the training band) Market Square, Long Eaton	NG10 1LT
Saturday	1 st December	7:30 p.m.	Greenwood Court, Cator Lane, Chilwell, Nottinghamshire,	NG9 4BW

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Monday	10 th December	7:00 p.m.	Main Hall, Friesland Sports Centre Nursery Avenue, Sandiacre	NG10 5AF
Tuesday	11 th December	8:30 p.m.	Masonic Lodge (small band) Cleve Lodge, 23 Elm Avenue, Long Eaton	NG10 4LR
Sunday	16 th December	2:30 p.m.	Christmas In Brass at the Duchess Theatre West Gate, Long Eaton	NG10 1EF
Sunday	16 th December	7:30 p.m.	Christmas In Brass at the Duchess Theatre West Gate, Long Eaton	NG10 1EF

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Sunday	22 nd December	2:30 p.m.	Christmas In Brass at the Duchess Theatre West Gate, Long Eaton	NG10 1EF
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If you need to miss any of these jobs, please let Lisa or Sharon (preferably both) know in writing or by email A.S.A.P., as we will then need to organise dep. players.

Band Supporters

The band is also most grateful to the following individuals, organisation and businesses for their recent support of the band:

Roland Hosker & Bill Camm	Over the last ten years, our former presidents Councillor Roland Hosker and the late Councillor Bill Camm have individually and together secured grants for the band in excess of £5,750, which has made a major contribution in purchasing suitable instruments and music for both our bands, and in particular the training band.
Mr. & Mrs. Blackburn	£2,257 from open garden days, talks to various societies and other events, £510 from a collection made at their golden wedding celebrations, and £700 from a collection made at John's 80 th birthday party.
Val Custance	£250 for new music
Erewash Film Society	The Erewash Film Society kindly make an annual donation to the band to contribute to the running expenses of the band room.
Des Fry	A tenor trombone
Helen Lane	Repairing novice instruments
James "Yeti" Mayell	Hosting the band's website for free
Len Cowley	£200 towards the nationals and new music for the band and £1,340 to general band funds.
Peter Dawson	Our new landlord, for our rehearsal facilities
The Family of Fred Pear	£300 and various band memorabilia
Professor Pete Thomas	New ties, badges and banners, and a cornet for the training band
Rod Salter	For repairing many of our stands
Arthur Smith	His father's cornet

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Personnel

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Web Sites, Facebook & Twitter

Our web site address is <http://www.lespb.org.uk>.

Our Facebook sites are <https://www.facebook.com/lespb> (senior band) and <https://www.facebook.com/groups/270405743010461/> (training band)

Our Twitter account is @LESPB1906

Band Officers and Committee

President	John Blackburn
Vice-Presidents	Fay Blackburn Councillor Val Custance Len Cowley Roland Hosker Councillor Kevin Miller Carl Ramplin, F.C.C.A. Richard Walker PG Cert, DMS, CITP, MBSC, MAPM Ted Bradley Rod Salter Colin Millns
Honorary Life Members	Sharon Stansfield F.V.C.M. (Hons), N.A.B.B.C. James Dennis & Lewis Blackburn
Musical Director (*)	Fred Aram
Assistant Musical Directors	Professor Pete Thomas
Chairman (*)	Lisa Balsom
Vice-Chairman (*)	Lisa Balsom
Secretary (*)	Robert Stansfield
Contest Secretary	Robert Stansfield
Treasurer (*)	Alan Askey
Equipment Officer	Deborah Redpath
Assistant Equipment Officer	Mark Blackburn & Ben Allen
Librarian (*)	James Dennis & Stuart Measures
Assistant Librarians	Sharon Stansfield F.V.C.M. (Hons), N.A.B.B.C. Fay Blackburn
Band Sergeants	David Allcock Kim Larwood
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Newsletter Editor	Robert Stansfield
Webmaster	Robert Stansfield
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(*) indicates a committee member

Training Band Officers

Musical Director	Sharon Stansfield F.V.C.M. (Hons), N.A.B.B.C.
Assistant Musical Directors	James Dennis & Lewis Blackburn
Events Organiser	Lesley Prytherch
Equipment Officer	Alan Askey
Librarians	Deborah Redpath & Mark Blackburn
Stage Manager	Mark Blackburn
Beginners Group Teachers	James Dennis, Robert Stansfield & Stuart Measures
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