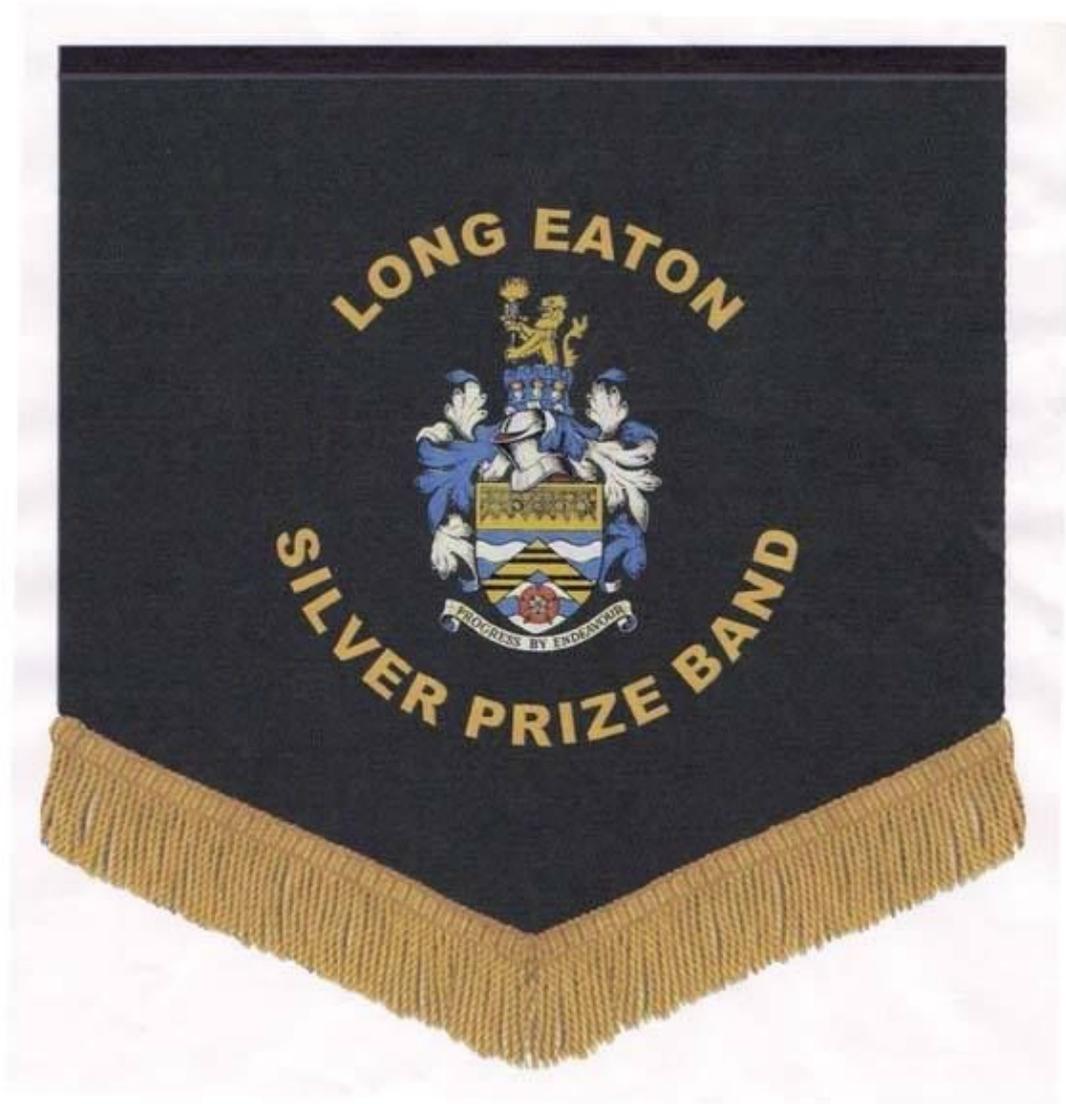


The Silver Prize

The Journal of the
Long Eaton Silver Prize Band



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Band Room News

Band Rehearsals

Due to the current situation with Covid-19, all band rehearsals are cancelled until further notice. Please see the band diaries within the newsletter for a list of cancelled band jobs.

Erewash Film Society

The Erewash Film Society will not be happening this month, due to Covid-19.

Band AGM

The band is planning to hold its AGM online this year, a date for this is to be announced.

Brass Tuition

For private lessons, contact

**Sharon (07887 907516) or
James (0115 9735776)**

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>





Notes from the Musical Director

Firstly, from what seems like an age ago, I would like to thank you all for your hard work in the run up to the area contest. Whilst neither ;) of our results were quite what we were hoping for, we did play very well, with very few lapses in intonation. The main criticism, from only one of the adjudicators, was just that our p and pp dynamics were not quiet enough. Overall, this was a good step up from previous areas and my hope was to build on this during the spring and summer in readiness for Leicester BBA contest and next year's NEMBBA and area contests. However.....

The only consolation I have from not being able to attend band is that I know you are all practicing hard at home, eagerly waiting for the time when we can return to rehearsing :). I have emailed out various pieces for you to look at which I hope are more interesting than practising accompaniment parts all day. Please keep checking your intonation with a tuner every so often (there are several apps available for your phone), and maybe this is a good opportunity to practice p and pp for next year's area? For members of the training band, please also look at the pieces we were working on in rehearsal; one day we will get to play them out!

For members in our beginners' group, please keep working through Abracadabra: the target is lesson 48, but it will do you no harm to keep going beyond that. If you have any other music, play that as well. Reading and playing a variety of music is the best way to progress and maybe some of you will be ready to join the training band when we start up again!

Finally, if any of you want a free lesson over Messenger, or Skype, etc. please let me know (sharon.stansfield@outlook.com), and if any of you want to take this time to work for one of your grade exams or want some different music to play, please let me know and I will try and sort some music for you.

Keep safe, hopefully free of Covid-19, and I look forward to seeing you all again when this is all over! With very best wishes

Sharon xx

Notes from Kenilworth (Area Contest)

Result: Third Section

8) Long Eaton Silver Prize S. Stansfield, F.V.C.M. (Hons)

Adjudicator's Comments

Brian Rostron

Confident to open. All the soloists do well. 2nd bar of **A** not together. 12/8 a tad heavy. **C** Good flug horn & sop. **E** needs a tad more drive. **F** to **G** some fair playing here. **7/4** well balanced. **H** once again a good balance. **7/4** sop & horn v. good! **I** a good mixture of sounds. **3/4** Good rhythm here. **6 before L** good basses. **M** all accents heard. **N** better balanced sounds here. Semis into **O** untidy. **4/4** What a good dynamic. Solo horn a tad insipid! Eb & Euph v. good. Flug into **Q** good. Euph cadenza played with aplomb! Horn & Bari good in there but poco rall out of tune. **S** Good sounds & style solo cornet. **T** more tenuto please. **4/4** build upto **U** just right. **U** not balanced! **V** to end build up crescendo just right. Great last chord.

Overall, you had some creditable moments with a good mixture of sounds and balance.

James Holt

Confident entries to open. **A** little strident for 'p'. Flugel and Bari do well. **A** Good muted sounds noted, again a little confident for 'p'. **IS** has same style but would benefit from a slightly lighter touch. **C** Good dynamic contrasts here and horn and sop do well. **D** Again confident for 'p' but the music builds well to 50 and the full band sound is well balanced. **F** Builds well and rhythmic accuracy is evident here. **65** Well balanced section sounds here and a nice control of dynamics. **81** Nice soprano here and then **I** has same good style and the music builds well throughout this section to **J. 97** I like the style here, really produces the right feel. **K** Good sop and bass tromb. **L** Contrasts well and the legato sounds come through well. **M** Lots of rhythmic detail and accuracy of articulation evident. **N** Nice full band sound here, well done! **O** is confident for 'p' and inner cornet and tromb have some intonation issues. **175** A very good attempt with muted sounds here and soloists do very well. **Q** has a nice sonore feel – euphonium plays with style as do horn and baritone. **R** not rhythmically consistent and some intonation in cornets detracts here. **207** is loud for 'pp' some tasteful cornet playing, well done. **220** Poco marcato could come out more here. **226** Mice mf sound here, built to **U** is well controlled. **U** moves well and the close is very well handled.

Overall some moments of quality evident here mixed with some inconsistencies – work on developing the dynamic range. Thank you band and MD.

Five Years Ago

April 2015

HQ2 Official Opening

The official opening of HQ2 on Saturday 21st March was attended by Deputy Mayor Valerie Custance, Councillors Roland Hosker (band vice-president), Keith Miller, and prospective M.P.s for Erewash Catherin Atkinson and Maggie Throup, and was a great success.

The senior and training bands gave a short joint concert to our guests, after which our former band-member and new landlord, Pete Dawson, open the Dawson room, where our beginners' group gave a short performance. Deputy-Mayor Val Custance and Pete Dawson then opened our new band room, where we provided a buffet to our guests. The senior and training bands then returned to our concert room, where Deputy Mayor Valerie Custance conducted a repeat performance of Instant Concert.



Len Cowley

The band thanks our vice-president Len Cowley for a further donation of £200 to band funds.

The End of Era And The Start Of A New

This concert also marked the end of 150 years of secular banding within Long Eaton: our band (the first in Long Eaton) formed as the Long Eaton Temperance Band in the 1860s before leaving the Temperance Society and reforming as the Silver Prize Band in 1906/7. The Long Eaton Salvation Army Band is now the last brass band based in Long Eaton.

However, we are now the first Sandiacre based brass band since the demise of the Sandiacre Brass Band in the 1930s and the performance by the training band at St. Giles' Spring and Plant Fair will be the first concert in Sandiacre by a Sandiacre based brass band for over 80 years.

Ten Years Ago

April 2010

Ben Allen & Rob Burrows



CAR WASH

Saturday 27th March 2010

Robert Burrows and Benjamin Allen

Have Raised....

£30

For The Long Eaton Silver Prize Band

Car Wash
£2 OPEN

Training Band Diary

Adele will be issuing engagement schedules with the actual start times once they have been confirmed. New additions are marked in green. Changes to the schedule are marked in red. *If you need to miss any of these jobs, please let Adele know in writing or by email ASAP, as we may need to organise dep players.*

2020

Date	Start	Event	Postcode
Saturday 4th April Cancelled	TBC	Coffee Morning St Mary's Church 15 Victoria Rd, Draycott	DE72 3PS
Sunday 5th July	TBC	Chester Green Party in the Park Chester Green, Derby	TBC
Saturday 11th July	9:30am	Staveley Armed Forces Veterans Association Armed Forces Day (with the Senior Band) (park in the high street, Staveley)	S43 3UU
Saturday 18th July	10:00am	Orchard Nursery 25 Nether Street Beeston, Nottingham	NG9 2AT
Saturday 3rd October	TBC	Coffee Morning St Mary's Church 15 Victoria Rd, Draycott	DE72 3PS
Saturday 5th December	TBC	Coffee Morning St Mary's Church 15 Victoria Rd, Draycott	DE72 3PS
Thursday 17th Dec	7:30pm	Shaftesbury Club 278 Tamworth Road, Sawley	NG10 3FF

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Band Diary

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

You should receive emails from Nudge for these events, please respond to them with your availability to keep everything up to date, and let Lisa or Sharon know if you can't make them so we can arrange dep players.

2020

Date	Start	Event	Postcode
Friday 8th May Cancelled	2:15pm	Long Eaton VE Day Celebrations Market Place Long Eaton	NG10 1LT
Saturday 9th May Cancelled	1:00pm	Glenmore Park Shepshed	LEC 1E12
Saturday 13th May Cancelled	7:30pm	Soldiers and Sailors 421 Tamworth Rd Long Eaton	NG10 3JS
Sunday 14th June	2:00pm	West Park Concert West Park, Long Eaton	NG10 3NL
Saturday 20th June Cancelled	2:00pm	Proms in the Park East Leake	TBC
Saturday 20th June	7:30pm	St Laurence's Church Market Place Long Eaton	NG10 1LT
Saturday 11th July	9:30am	Staveley Armed Forces Veterans Association Armed Forces Day (With the training band) (Park in the high street, Staveley)	S43 3UU
Sunday 12th July	9:30am	Staveley Armed Forces Veterans Association Armed Forces Day (Park at Poolsbrook Country Park)	S43 3WL
Sunday 19th July	7:30pm	Summer in Brass at the Duchess Theatre West Gate, Long Eaton	NG10 1EF
Sunday 6th Sept	TBC	Draycott in the Clay	TBC
Saturday 12th Sept	TBC	Red Cross Concert	TBC
Friday 16th Oct	7:30pm	Nottingham Rotary Concert Church Dr, West Bridgford, Nottingham	NG2 6AY
Saturday 24th Oct	7:30pm	British Legion Concert St Laurence's Church Market Place Long Eaton	NG10 1LT

Tuesday 8th Dec	8:30pm	Masonic Lodge (small band) Cleve Lodge, 23 Elm Avenue, Long Eaton	NG10 4LR
Wednesday 16th Dec	8:30pm	Longcliffe Golf Club (Rotary, Full Band)	LE11 3YA
Friday 18th Dec	8:30pm	Longcliffe Golf Club (Golf Club Dinner & Carols, Small Band)	LE11 3YA
Sunday 20th Dec	7:30pm	Christmas in Brass at the Duchess Theatre West Gate, Long Eaton	NG10 1EF

2021

Date	Start	Event	Postcode
Sunday 19th Dec	2:30pm	Christmas in Brass at the Duchess Theatre West Gate, Long Eaton	NG10 1EF
Sunday 19th Dec	7:30pm	Christmas in Brass at the Duchess Theatre West Gate, Long Eaton	NG10 1EF

2022

Date	Start	Event	Postcode
Sunday 18th Dec	2:30pm	Christmas in Brass at the Duchess Theatre West Gate, Long Eaton	NG10 1EF
Sunday 18th Dec	7:30pm	Christmas in Brass at the Duchess Theatre West Gate, Long Eaton	NG10 1EF



Band Supporters

The band is also most grateful to the following individuals, organisations 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 80th 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
John Hill	Music, music and trombone stands and a trombone gig bag
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 £1,740 to general band funds and a set of the British Legion march.
Peter Dawson	Our landlord, for our rent-free rehearsal facilities
The Family of Fred Pear	£300 and various band memorabilia
Professor Pete Thomas	New ties, badges and banners, a cornet for the training band and advertising leaflets for the band
Rod Salter	For repairing many of our stands
Arthur Smith	His father's cornet
Rebecca Weller	Some cornet mutes
Alan Askey	A bass stand, some music stands and music
Jenny Fredou	A wireless microphone system

Personnel

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Website & Social Media

Our website address is <http://lespb.org.uk>

Our Facebook pages are:

<https://facebook.com/lespb> (Senior Band)

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/270405743010461/> (Training Band)

Our Twitter account is @LESPB1906

Training Band Officers

Musical Director	Sharon Stansfield F.V.C.M. (Hons), N.A.B.B.C.	
Assistant Musical Directors	James Dennis	Elizabeth Bullard
Events Organiser / Secretary	Adele Carter	
Equipment Officer	Adele Carter	
Librarians	Deborah Redpath	Cheryl Allen
Stage Manager	Stuart Measures	
Beginners Group Teachers	James Dennis	Stuart Measures
	Robert Stansfield	

Band Officers and Committee

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	Colin Millns	
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