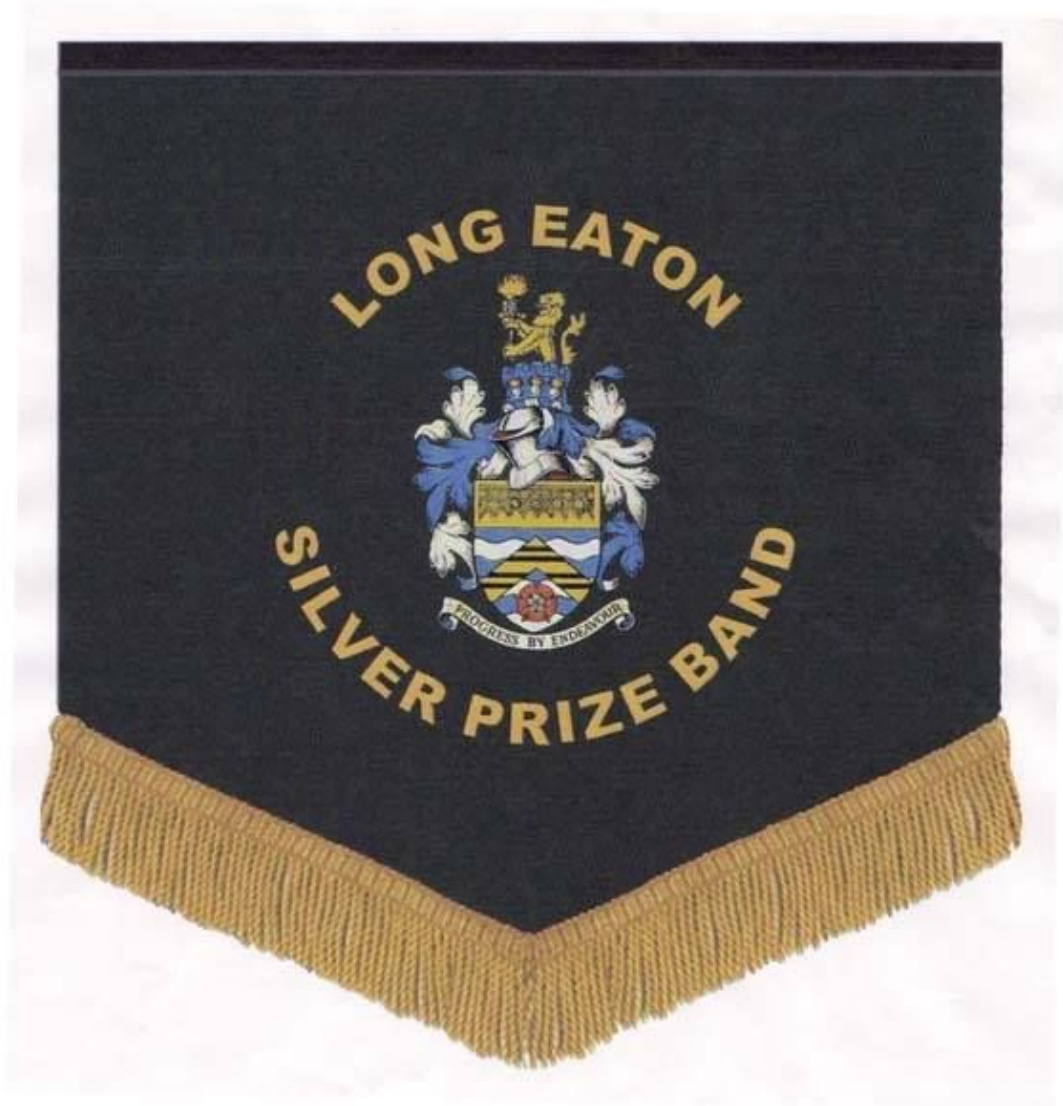


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The Journal of the
Long Eaton Silver Prize Band



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Band Room News

The Families of Sharon and Carl

The band sends its condolences to the families of Sharon (our M.D.) and Carl (vice-president) on the sudden death of their mother, Sandra Ware, on 16th of October aged 76. She was one of the band's keenest supporters and will be sadly missed. Of her grandchildren, James (principal cornet), Emma (solo euphonium) and George (tuned percussion) all play in the band; Melissa (soprano cornet) helps out when not on duty with the Welsh Guards, whilst Matthew (cornet) formerly played in the band.

The Family of Rob

The band also sends its condolences to Rob Stansfield on the passing of his father on 26th October aged 90 after a long illness.

Fred Aram

The band would like to wish Fred (our chairman and assistant principal 3rd cornet) all the very best as he commences a new treatment on November 5th.

Band Rehearsals

The committee decided it was only sensible to suspend all sextet rehearsals in the band room until further notice once Erewash moved into Tier 2 last month, and of course we are now in a national lockdown from next Thursday until 2nd December.

George Ramplin

The band welcomes George Ramplin back (or at least we will welcome him, once we are allowed back in the bandroom) on tuned percussion after a (guitar) break playing with various rock bands.

Novice Room Carpet

A new carpet has been fitted in the novice room, replacing the old white carpet which had perished. Thank you to Kim for helping to take up and dispose of the old carpet.

Erewash Film Society

The Erewash Film Society is cancelled until further notice, due to Covid-19.

20 Years of 'The Silver Prize'

This issue marks the 20th anniversary of The Silver Prize newsletter. Thank you to Rob who was the editor of the newsletter for the majority of that time, for all your hard work over the years putting it together every month without fail, and for continuing to support me (Yeti) in producing it each month.

Thank you also to everyone who has contributed to the newsletter over the years. If you would like to see any of the old newsletters I'm going to be working on putting the full archive on the band's website.

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Notes from the Musical Director



Sadly, we had to suspend the sextet rehearsals in the bandroom last month due to the worsening situation with the pandemic. Rehearsals outdoors (other than for those of you in Nottinghamshire) were still permitted under the groups of six of rule until the national lockdown: hopefully none of you were so keen that you got your music wet else the wrath of Debbie will be upon you! Of course, even this now has to stop until December.

Please keep practicing during these difficult times. Hopefully, we will be able to play Christmas carols outside in small groups, if not I would like to see as many of you as possible playing solos outside your homes. We will try to get carols books to those of you who need them.

Please continue to send your news items to Yeti, our editor. Thank you to those who have already contributed.

Brass Tuition

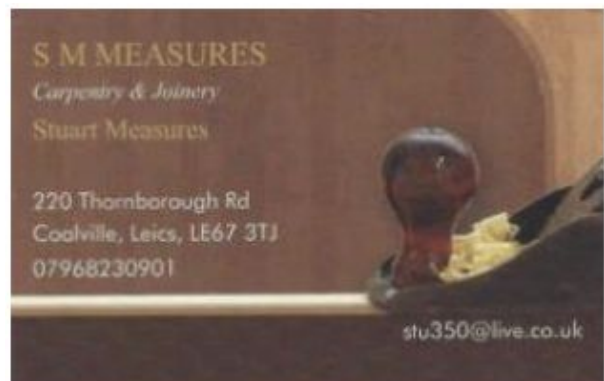
For private lessons, contact

**Sharon (07887 907516) or
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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>



Five Years Ago

November 2015

Walking for the Wounded

Thank you for those who turned out at 8:30 in the morning to play for the Walking for Wounded in Draycott, where over £4,000 was raised in an hour for the charity. We receive thanks from a number of those on the walk and their supporters: we even recruited two more for our beginner group.

Band Room Painting

Thank you to all those to help clean and repaint the band room: it is looking a lot better without all that green paint!

Thank You Letters

Our concert at Yew Tree Court in Beeston was a big success. We have received the following messages from the organisers (in part referring to the series of events that week, of which we provided the closing concert):

"We in Venn Court would like to thank everyone concerned in making the 'Older Persons Week' a success. We enjoyed going to the several complexes and do think the 'Last Night of the Proms' was wonderful and the perfect ending to the week. Once again thank you everyone and best wishes to you all."

"To all who organised the events in the different courts last week, a big thank you. We went to some and they were great. The brass band Saturday at Yew Tree was the best ending."

Ten Years Ago

November 2010



Sharon

Sharon has received an Excellence in the Community Award 2010 from Derbyshire County Council for her work with our bands. Thank you to Hazel who nominated her and to Kim who acted as chauffeur to the awards ceremony in Buxton.

Fifteen Years Ago

November 2005

Notes from the Musical Director

Preparations for our centenary CD are going well: many thanks to Alan Cox, who has booked rooms at the Hilton Hotel (near Junction 24 of the M1) for our recording on the 3rd and 4th December. We have three rehearsals left beforehand and I am confident that we will be ready to record a CD that we can be proud of.

Arthur Marshall

The band is saddened to learn of the recent death of our former euphonium and conductor Arthur Marshall. Arthur was associated with the band for 42 years until his departure in 1975. Of our current members, Ted Bradley and Peter Dawson both played with the band under his direction for many years, whilst Carl and Sharon both learnt to play during the last years of his tenure.

Twenty Years Ago

November 2000

Tips From the Sections

Always pay attention when the dates and times of concerts are given out at band. That way you never forget to turn up.

Miles Meakin (cornet)

Always pay attention during a rehearsal. Sharon's extra long baton can reach players covering in band room corners that no other baton can reach.

Emma Ramplin (cornet)

Avoid those boring hymn tunes. Turn up for rehearsal at least half an hour late.

Dave Gilbert (flugel horn)

The art of leadership is delegation. Consequently, I delegate all wrong notes, bad intonation, over-blowing, etc. to Rod. He in turn delegates these to David. David would also delegate them, but we only have three trombones in the section.

Robert Stansfield (trombone)

Put Vaseline on your valves. Then, when there are some twiddley bits, demonstrate the superb co-ordination of your section by simultaneously finding a need to clean and oil your valves.

The Bass Section

Notes From the Musical Director

Ten Things That You'll Never Hear Me Say Before A Contest:

- 1) Oh deary me, that is a boring hymn. Let us play another one.
- 2) Well played, every one. Let's go home early. (I might say, "Let's go to the bar early").
- 3) I wasn't much of a player, myself.
- 4) Nicely played, trombones. So tuneful. (I might say it when they're resting).
- 5) If you can't play it, don't worry about it.
- 6) What do you think? (Unless I'm looking in a mirror).
- 7) I never wanted to be a conductor. I wanted to be a teetotaller.
- 8) Of course you can miss rehearsals. We are so fortunate that you choose to play with us.
- 9) Sorry, I lied. We have absolutely no chance of winning anything – ever!
- 10) I was wrong.

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 5th Dec CANCELLED	TBC	Coffee Morning St Mary's Church 15 Victoria Rd, Draycott	DE72 3PS
Thursday 17th Dec CANCELLED	7:30pm	Shaftesbury Club 278 Tamworth Road, Sawley	NG10 3FF

2021

Date	Start	Event	Postcode
Thursday 25th Nov	TBC	Long Eaton Christmas Lights Market Square, Long Eaton (With the Senior Band)	NG10 1LT

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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
Tuesday 8th Dec CANCELLED	8:30pm	Masonic Lodge (small band) Cleve Lodge, 23 Elm Avenue, Long Eaton	NG10 4LR
Wednesday 16th Dec CANCELLED	8:30pm	Longcliffe Golf Club (Rotary, Full Band)	LE11 3YA
Friday 18th Dec CANCELLED	8:30pm	Longcliffe Golf Club (Golf Club Dinner & Carols, Small Band)	LE11 3YA
Sunday 20th Dec CANCELLED	2:30pm	Christmas in Brass at the Duchess Theatre West Gate, Long Eaton	NG10 1EF
Sunday 20th Dec CANCELLED	7:30pm	Christmas in Brass at the Duchess Theatre West Gate, Long Eaton	NG10 1EF

2021

Date	Start	Event	Postcode
Thursday 25th Nov	TBC	Long Eaton Christmas Lights Market Square, Long Eaton (With the Training Band)	NG10 1LT
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

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

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<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	James Mayell

Band Officers and Committee

President	Professor Pete Thomas	
Vice-Presidents	Fay Blackburn	Roland Hosker
	John Blackburn	Councillor Kevin Miller
	Councillor Val Custance	Carl Ramplin F.C.C.A.
	Richard Walker PG Cert, DMS, CITP, MBSC, MAPM	
Honorary Life Members	Ted Bradley	Rod Salter
	Colin Millns	
Musical Director (*)	Sharon Stansfield F.V.C.M. (Hons), N.A.B.B.C.	
Assistant Musical Director	James Dennis	Ian McCormick
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Vice-Chairman (*)	Professor Pete Thomas	
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Contest Secretary	Lisa Balsom	
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