



THE NEW HERALD

Newsletter of the

CRUMPSALL CONCERT BAND

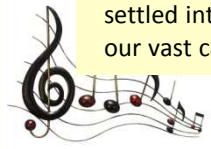


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WELCOME to Issue 2 of the **New Herald**, and thanks for the enthusiastic reception to Issue 1 and the newsletter concept in general. Thanks also to Stuart and Sue for posting the last, and hopefully this and future issues on our website and Facebook group respectively. It's great to get the word out there about all the good things we are planning and doing.

In **issue 2** we'll take a look at how the musical programme is shaping up and how you can have your input; Uniform developments; a thank you from Kate and a reminder about those all-important calendar dates. Pictorial content will again focus on the hectic Christmas period that seems so long ago now and I hope you enjoy the read. Once again, any ideas for future articles please let me or any of the Committee know. **Many thanks, Rob**

MUSICAL OVERTONES: Since **Issue 1** we unfortunately lost a rehearsal to the weather but despite this Rosie has settled into the MD role well and has been keeping our Librarian, Sue, busy with music requests resurrected from our vast catalogue. Recent additions to the pad include **Memory, Mamma Mia** (ABBA Selection), **The Impresario, Instant Concert**, the Shaker hymnal **Simple Gifts** and the challenging six pager **Oklahoma**. Rosie is also looking to retain some favourites from the 2018 pad that so far include **Queen on Stage, The Folk Song Suite** and **March to the Scaffold**. **Have your say:** Input from band members as to what you would like to play is always welcome and please put your requests directly to Rosie at rehearsals or via the Facebook group. This will help Rosie develop a balanced programme that should appeal to and satisfy a wide range of tastes. **Thanks.**



UNIFORM MATTERS:

Rosie attended her first Committee meeting, hosted by Nicky, back in January and amongst the topics discussed was the band uniform. As detailed at rehearsal on 23rd January the uniform for all our indoor engagements (and where weather permits outdoor ones also) is as follows:

Ladies: Black blouse, black skirt / trousers, black socks / tights and black shoes

Gentlemen: Black shirt, band tie (see insert right), black trousers, black socks and black shoes.

We are also looking at options for jackets to support a uniform look when playing outdoors; more info on this as we move forward. If anyone has any strong views regarding the uniform please let any member of the committee know and thanks to those at rehearsal on 23rd January for general acceptance of the above (not really a departure from current) and for your unanimous decision over the tie. I was clearly in a minority of 1 for the yellow and black tie option 😊. Grateful thanks to Stuart and Sue for all their efforts with design and sourcing suppliers and samples and the work goes on re the aforementioned jackets, badges and even new banners for our stands. Cheers RF



Kate with Megan at our Christmas Social, 'The Wilton', 19th December 2018

THANK YOU FROM KATE:

Huge thanks to everybody for their gifts, cards and good wishes upon my departure from the band. It was a very enjoyable six years waving my stick in front of you! I will keep in touch and see you at your next gig. Kate xx



20th December, Community Carol Service, Methodist Church Crumpsall: Kate's last gig as MD and the band's last appearance of a busy 2018.



FESTIVE FUN FOR THE BAND DURING A BUSY DECEMBER 2018: Our highly successful anniversary concert on 24th November was our last performance of the year to involve the full band, but, throughout December the majority of us participated in one or more of the events pictured: From L-R Herristone Park 2nd Dec, Simpson Memorial 6th to 8th Dec, Kate's last rehearsal 12th Dec, Methodist Church Christmas Fair (x2) 15th Dec, Heaton Hall 16th Dec, Christmas Social (x 5), The Wilton, 19th Dec and we finished off with the Crumpsall Community Carol Service on 20th Dec, pictured on the front page.

CALENDAR DATES 2019 – PLEASE UPDATE YOUR DIARIES – THANK YOU

ALSO, PLEASE UPDATE YOUR AVAILABILITY ON THE LIST ON OUR NOTICE BOARD

DATE	EVENT	NOTES
Sat 06/04/19	Methodist Church Crumpsall – Spring Fair 11am	Confirmed booking – Full Band
Sat 15/06/19	BANDEMONIUM, Bury (Kay Gardens, Town Centre) 1pm	Confirmed booking – Full Band
Sat 27/07/19	Summer Concert, St Matthews Parish Hall	Confirmed booking – Full Band
Wed 31/07/19	Band Summer Social (Summer Break – August 2019)	Planning stage – All Welcome
Wed 04/09/19 or Wed 11/09/19	First rehearsal of the Autumn Term – actual date to be confirmed	Ready to start at 7pm
Sat 16/11/19	Autumn Concert – potentially featuring some joint slots with the Crumpsall Scout & Guide Band veterans	Confirmed booking – Full Band & Guests
Sat 30/11/19	Methodist Church Crumpsall – Christmas Fair 11.30am	Confirmed booking – medium band
Sun 01/12/19	Herristone Park, Crumpsall, - Christmas Fair, 1pm	Annual booking – medium band
Wed 11/12/19	Final Rehearsal of 2019	Ready to start at 7pm
Wed 18/12/19	Band Christmas Social	Planning stage – All Welcome
Thu 19/12/19	Community Carol Service, Methodist Church Crumpsall	Confirmed booking – medium band
Wed 08/01/20	First Rehearsal 2020	Ready to start at 7pm

THANKS FOR READING & ISSUE 3 OUT ON 20/03 – to include 'a look ahead to our first gig of the year on 6th April' with full arrangements as well as a 'dive into our extensive archives' plus much more.