



# THE NEW HERALD

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## CRUMPSALL CONCERT BAND



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**WELCOME** to **Issue 3** of the **New Herald**. Spring is springing, the nights are getting lighter, days longer and the CCB is about to emerge from hibernation for our first outing of 2019 at the same venue our last appearance of 2018 took place; The Methodist Church Crumpsall.

**IN THIS ISSUE** we include a welcome to recent recruits, look forward to our first public appearance of the year, (new ties and maybe even banners on show) reveal the programme of music and look ahead to some additional musical challenges as we move through the summer term. We'll also look back into the archives to previous appearances at The Methodist Church stretching back 25 years including a caption competition, provide an update from Your Committee and a preview of our upcoming AGM. Issue 4 due Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May. **Enjoy Issue 3 and many thanks for reading, Rob**

**NEW RECRUITS:** A warm CCB welcome to **Josh** (Rosie's Son), on French Horn who joined us a few weeks back and to **Sian** (Oboe) and **Travis** (Trumpet) who came along for a play last Wednesday and hopefully want to join us on the journey. Welcome back to **Harry** (Tenor Sax) who returned to the ranks in January after a six month break from the band last year and to **Victoria** who re-joined on cornet during the intense 2018 Christmas gig period after a significant 19 year break; having played with our CCB Junior Band (*The Junior Comets*) until 2000.

**We are open to any players (or former players) aged 18 upwards and if you know anyone who might be interested in giving our band a try, please encourage them along on a Wednesday for a brew and listen or even a play. Cheers, Rob**

**MUSICAL MATTERS:** For some weeks now, Rosie has been working with us on a selection of pieces with our debut 2019 appearance in mind but also with an eye on the rest of the summer term. We are therefore delighted to announce the set list for the **Methodist Church Spring Fair on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2019** as follows: **Get those pads in order 😊**:



- Set 1:** Amparito Roca, Oklahoma (with cuts), Simple Gifts
- Set 2:** Impresario, Memory, Folk Song Suite (all three movements: DCs but no repeats)
- Set 3:** Mamma Mia, Disney at the Movies, Instant Concert

**We also have other options** in the pad if any encores are required such as **Queen on Stage** for instance and full arrangements, timings etc. for the 6<sup>th</sup> April can be found on Page 2.

**Looking ahead to events later on in the summer term** including **Bandemonium** (15<sup>th</sup> June) and our **summer concert** (27<sup>th</sup> July), Rosie has been searching our extensive library to identify music that will add yet more variety to our programme, satisfy some of your wishes and preferences and provide us with continued musical challenges. Selections that will be heading our way shortly include, but are not limited to:

- The William Tell Overture
- John Williams Symphonic Marches
- My Fair Lady
- James Bond
- Glen Miller Special



**As new pieces drop in**, our 2018 pad will undergo a revamp with some pieces going back to the library although some may remain in the pad for continued use; for instance, **Singing in the Rain**. Rosie continues to encourage your musical input and if there is something you want to play, particularly if it exists in our library, I'm sure it will be considered. **Many thanks**

**REMEMBERING OUR ROOTS:** The past 25 years has seen the band perform in many and varied places including a continental trip to Germany in 2011. However we have always remained true to a key founding principle of *being of benefit to our local community* and as we embark on our second quarter century it seems fitting that our opening appearance of 2019 be at the Methodist Church Crumpsall where the band has appeared many times, including those illustrated:



**Top Right:** Church Concert 2004, **Bottom Left:** Queen's Golden Jubilee Spring Fair 2002, **Above:** Christmas 1994 **Bottom Right:** Community Carol Service 2009

**COMPETITION:** In the larger picture above from 2004, how many players can you spot that are playing with the band currently? Can you name the 2004 Musical Director & future MD pictured? Answers in Issue 4

**UPDATE FROM YOUR COMMITTEE:** Twice so far, since the turn of year, we have gathered to discuss and make decisions on areas such as **music choices** and **member preferences** (see page 1) **uniform** (new ties), **accessories** (banners on the way), **calendar dates** (earliest notifications to aid member planning), **new recruits** (see welcomes on page 1), **finances**, the **music library**, **instrument** and **equipment storage** (request made to relocate this from the basement and awaiting feedback from our Land Lords) and **member comms** ( Newsletter, Face book Group, Website). A busy but productive start to 2019, I'm sure you'll agree.

**AGM 2019 WEDNESDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> APRIL:** The past 12 months has seen the band enjoy a successful 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Year, manage a change of Musical Director and bolster planning processes to help the band develop and grow. The AGM will include an update from the Chair, a review of last year's minutes, Library update, MD Update, Financial Update and **your chance to ask questions, make suggestions and shape the future**. Please make every effort to attend the pre meeting rehearsal (7pm) followed by the AGM (8pm) and all are welcome at the Beefeater (Heaton Park Hotel), Middleton Road, Crumpsall for end of term drinks (9pm). **Many thanks from Your Committee**

### ARRANGEMENTS FOR 6<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2019 – MCC SPRING FAIR:

**Venue:** Methodist Church Crumpsall, Lansdowne Road, Crumpsall M8 5ST (Parking limited on site)  
**Dress Code:** Full Band Uniform (all black). Ties will be handed out either Wednesday before or on arrival  
**Bring with you:** Instrument, Music Stand and Music Pad. (Chairs will be provided at the venue)  
**Arrive to set up:** 10.40am ready to play for Fair opening at 11am  
**Finish:** No later than 1.40pm packed up and away by 2pm  
**Thanks to all who have indicated their availability for this performance and others going forward.**

### SUMMER TERM CALENDAR DATES 2019 –

### PLEASE UPDATE YOUR DIARIES & NOTICE BOARD CHART – THANK YOU

DATE	EVENT	NOTES
Sat 06/04/19	Methodist Church Crumpsall – Spring Fair: Starts 11am	Confirmed booking – Full Band
Wed 10/04/19	Short Rehearsal starting at 7pm as usual followed by our 2019 AGM (see details above) Post meeting end of term drinks at The Heaton Park Hotel (Beefeater) Middleton Rd. ☺	
Wed 17/04/19	NO BAND REHEARSAL – EASTER BREAK – BACK TO BAND on WED 24 <sup>th</sup>	
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