



# THE NEW HERALD

Newsletter of the

## CRUMPSALL CONCERT BAND



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**WELCOME** to Issue 4 of the New Herald in which we include a review of our first performance of the season back on 6<sup>th</sup> April, news from your committee and the AGM, a look ahead to June engagements and much more.

Enjoy Issue 4 (Issue 5 due 19<sup>th</sup> June) and many thanks for reading. Yours, Rob

**Remember: No Rehearsal next week, 29<sup>th</sup> May, half term. Back as normal the following Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> June.**



**YOUR VIEWS MATTER:** From 15<sup>th</sup> May until Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June questionnaires will be available to all band members with the aim of helping the overall development of our band with your enjoyment and development at its heart. Please take time to complete a questionnaire with your views and aspirations on the following key topics: 1) Rehearsals, 2) Music (repertoire) 3) Member Communications, 4) band engagements and other events / activities, 5) Recruitment and growth of band numbers 6) a catchall section for any other views. The suggestion box, (pictured left) will be at every rehearsal up to and including 12<sup>th</sup> June and your committee, including our MD, will analyse the results thereafter and feedback via the newsletter and other channels before the summer break. Your constructive input is so important and will be very much appreciated. Have your say & many thanks in advance.



**MUSICAL MATTERS:** Rosie has been busy selecting pieces for our set lists for **Bandemonium 2019** on 15<sup>th</sup>

and **Herristone Park** on 23<sup>rd</sup> June whilst Sue, our librarian, has been busy collecting and collating music we've recently handed in (see pic right). Sue has also pinned a list of music that should be in your pads to our notice board – check you have everything please and let Sue know if not. Also on the said notice board you'll find an updated tick list for you to confirm which events you can be available for in the coming months. Please update your availability if you haven't already, thanks.



**COMPETITION ANSWERS: ISSUE 3:** In the picture right, from the Methodist Church in 2004, there are five members who, as at Issue 3, regularly play with the band 15 years on: *Back Row*: 2<sup>nd</sup> from left Rob Fullen, 4<sup>th</sup> from left, Ian Farnell. *Middle Row (seated)*: furthest right, Julie Thompson. *Front Row*: 3<sup>rd</sup> from left, Alan Bernstein and furthest right Cyril Weincove. Gold Star if you identified all five.



### PERFORMANCE REVIEW: MCC SPRING FAIR, 6<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2019

It was great to get out playing again, and our first appearance of 2019 was well received by all those who attended the Methodist Church Spring Fair; whether they sat and listened or heard us as background to the main business of the Fair, all comments received were positive. Many Congratulations to Rosie on her debut conducting appearance and it was great to see our original MD, Derek Farnell, turn up to listen to a few numbers too.



A decent turnout of 23 from the band and we looked resplendent in all black with the new ties and banners on show for the first time too. All in all a good performance to kick start our programme of events for 2019. Thanks all and thanks to Eva for the official photography. RF

## RETRO VIEWS FROM JUNE 2018 – BANDEMONIUM & HERRISTONE PARK

Ahead of the corresponding performances this year, let's take a pictorial look back at the 2018 events in the balmy summer we enjoyed; although we narrowly avoided a huge thunderstorm at Bandemonium ☺



Bandemonium 16/06/18

Picnic in the Park 24/06/18

**UPDATE FROM YOUR COMMITTEE:** Our last meeting was just last night but as this went to press prior to the meeting, details will be published in issue 5. Prior to this we last met on 9<sup>th</sup> April, the night before our AGM, and as you can imagine the AGM dominated the proceedings and in particular Eva's retirement after several years in the role of Committee Chair and also her sad retirement from playing due to health constraints. The Committee also ratified me as Eva's replacement and I remain deeply humbled and privileged in accepting the nomination. I will embrace the role and hope to do it as much justice as Eva has over the last few years. We are fortunate to have a fabulous, proactive committee and I am so pleased Eva will be staying on for a while to support Nicky, Rosie, Stuart, Sue and myself through this time of transition. **On behalf of my committee colleagues, and indeed all in and around the CCB, I would like to thank Eva for all her hard work and continued endeavours on our behalf and for sticking around in a much valued support role. Rob.**



**NEW STORAGE:** Grateful thanks to Val & Dave Rogers and the Church Council for acceding to our request for improved storage access for our week to week equipment and I am sure you will all agree that the room allocated upstairs is significantly better for our regular storage needs than the basement which we can still retain for lesser used equipment. Over the coming months we will fit the new room out appropriately then it's up to all of us to look after the space and keep it tidy. **Many thanks from your committee.**

## ARRANGEMENTS FOR 15<sup>TH</sup> JUNE – BANDEMONIUM 2019 – FULL BAND EVENT

**Venue:** Kay Gardens, Bury Town Centre (adjacent to the bus station / Metrolink interchange).

**Nearest Parking:** Pay & Display Car Park, Knowsley Street opposite the Town Hall, BL9 0SW – 5 min walk or 10 min stroll from Kay Gardens

**Dress Code:** Full Band Uniform (all black). Gentlemen, please remember your new band tie.

**Bring with you:** Instrument, Music Stand and Music Pad, fold down Chair and Pegs / Magnets for music.

**Arrive to set up:** 12.30pm ready to play for our slot at 1pm **Finish:** 3pm

**Weather Watch:** If rain is likely, we will be under cover outside Heron Foods as we were last year. If red hot, as it was in 2017 please bring appropriate head gear and sun cream along with liquid refreshment as required.

**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
Wed 29/05/19	NO BAND REHEARSAL – HALF TERM BREAK – BACK TO BAND on WED 5 <sup>th</sup> JUNE	
Sat 15/06/19	BANDEMONIUM 2019	See arrangement details above
Sun 23/06/19	Herristone Park Summer Fair Arrive 2pm to set up and start playing at 2.15pm for approx. 50 mins. Should be away by 3.15pm.	Confirmed Booking and as full a band as possible please for this paid job.
Sat 20/07/19 (Changed from 27 <sup>th</sup> )	Summer Concert, St Matthews Parish Hall	Confirmed booking –Full Band – more details next issue
Wed 24/07/19	Band Summer Social (Summer Break 31 <sup>st</sup> July and all August 2019)	Planning stage and current thinking is Croma, Prestwich – All Welcome