

The Bandroom News



GOOD NEWS CONCERNING BAND ROOM

Over many years the band had an excellent relationship firstly with Firth Carpets and then Readicut in Bailiff Bridge. It was through them during the 1930's that the band came to occupy their present headquarters. (Brighouse Echo, September 1932)

There is a 997 year lease on the bowling pavilion which was handed over to the band in a ceremony giving them exclusive rights to the room and over the years Firth Carpets and Readicut have maintained this building for us.

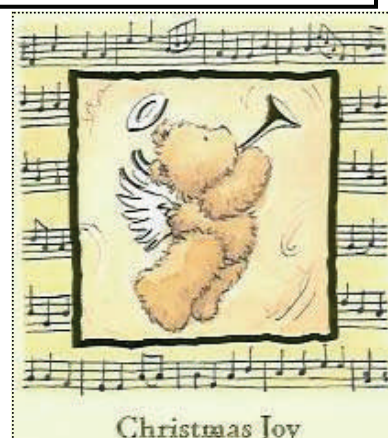
After Firth's was purchased by Interface a couple of years ago who in turn have sold the land to AIG a large American company it was unsure what would happen to the band room as over 100 new houses were proposed on the land adjacent.

There has been a lot of digging around and discussions with the landlord AIG. We

eventually found a copy of the lease at the West Riding Archives and have been informed by AIG that the band room is actually ours to do with as we wish. This is great news and has lifted a lot of uncertainty with the bands' future in respect of a rehearsal room.

So, now we have the task of refurbishing the building which is long overdue. The first priority is to replace the roof which has been patched up many times over the years. We are awaiting quotes to come in for the work. Once this is done we can then start on the inside which is also in desperate need of re-decorating. If anyone can help in suggesting ways of raising funds for this project we will be glad to hear from you.

We would also be pleased to hear what skills you may have to offer when it comes to the inside refurbishment e.g. plumbing, painting, electrics or just making tea.



Watch out for further updates in the New Year

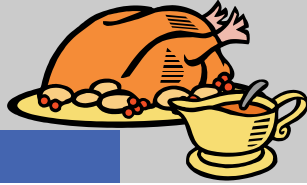
One thing I forgot to mention.

During the Christmas Holidays, we will be giving the bandroom a good tidy up and if anyone would like to come along and help then please ring Jane Clay **01422 201875** to offer your services.

Special points of interest:

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- Winter Cleaning
- New Year Rehearsals
- 2003 engagements
- New Band Members
- Fundraising Success
- Need New Members





The Bands' New Year Meal

Date: Saturday 11th January 2003

Time: 7.30p.m.

Venue: The Barn, Quarry House Inn,

Bingley Road,

Lees Moor, Keighley.

This is Queensbury side of Keighley.

Cost: £18.95 per person with half price for children.

If you would like to attend please contact Jane Clay as soon as possible. ☎01422 201875

New Year Meal

Starter:

Assorted Fruit Juices
Prawn Cocktail
Melon with Seasonal Fruits
Mushrooms in a Garlic and Brandy Sauce
Homemade Soup of the Day

Main:

Roast Turkey
Roast Beef
Braised Pheasant
Scottish Salmon
Spinach and Mushroom Filo Pastry parcel

Dessert:

Christmas Pudding and Rum Sauce
Selection of Sweets

Followed by:

Coffee and Mints

Fundraising

Our fundraising co-ordinator Mrs Frances Rogers has done it again, after applying for two grants one to BRASS which is a Brighthouse Regeneration organisation and the other to Lloyds TSB funds, she has been successful with both.

BRASS have given the band £1,000 towards a new Baritone which means we now have enough funds to purchase the instrument.

Lloyds TSB have been very generous in giving the band a one off grant for £1,500 towards a badly needed Bb Bass.

Although we did not fulfil all the Lloyds TSB criteria for grant aid, they were so impressed with the case for the band which Frances put across they have agreed to give this one off donation.

Thanks to both organisations and WELL DONE FRANCES!

We are now trying to purchase the instruments but Boosey and Hawkes have had production problems with moving their manufacturing plant to Germany and there will be no new instruments feeding through the retail market until the new year, but hopefully we will have them in time to rehearse with for the area contest on 1st March.

**What's the difference between
and Eb Bass and a Bb Bass ?**

About half a bar and a semitone

More Bandroom News

First Rehearsals for the New Year

Junior Band Sunday 5th January 10.00 a.m.

Senior Band Tuesday 7th January 8.00 p.m.

As we will have lots of work to do next year plus new programmes for both bands could we please have good attendance at all rehearsals.

If you cannot attend for any reason please contact Jane Clay.

Good communication makes good relationships.



If anyone knows any players who would like to come along to band then bring them in the New Year, we have instruments and tuition available free of charge

We would like to welcome five new players to the Association. Three for the Junior band and two for the seniors

Junior Band

Joseph and Oliver Roughton - Trumpet and Trombone, from Brighouse

Rebecca Long - Cornet

All the way from Bingley, well done Rebecca

*Why don't conductors play hide and seek
Because no one would look for them!*

Senior Band

Paul Johnson - Euphonium player who has taken on the task of mastering the trombone for us, he is from Dewsbury.

And an old friend (well maybe not that old!), Andrew Dobson who came up through the ranks in the band, subsequently left to pursue his career and has finally saw the light and decided to come back to us on Cornet. Andrew is a local lad from Hipperholme.

We hope to see you all attending regularly at rehearsals and engagements.

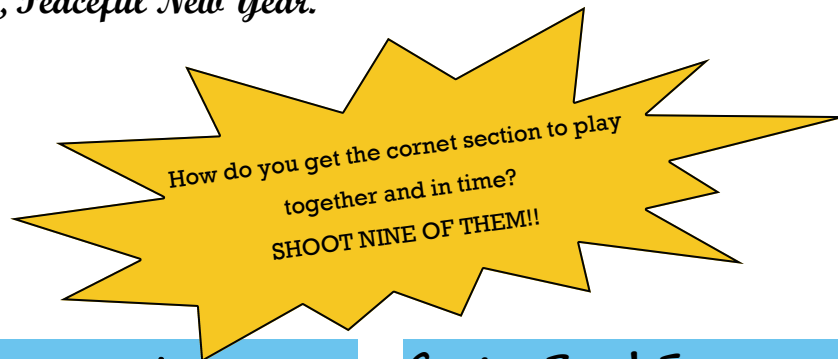
Welcome to you all, and if you know anyone who would like to come along then please bring them.

We have also lost two stalwarts of the band Roger and Jayne Hawksworth who have been with us for a good number of years, they felt it was time to go to pastures new at Huddersfield Brass and we thank them for their services to the band and wish them every success for the future.





We would like to wish all our members and readers a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Peaceful New Year.



Junior Band Engagements 2003

Senior Band Engagements 2003

Engagements organised so far:

Sunday 15th June Afternoon,
Northcliffe Gala Shipley

Saturday 15th November Afternoon Haworth

Saturday 21st December Afternoon Haworth

Saturday 1st March Afternoon, Area Contest
St Georges Hall Bradford.

Saturday 14th June Evening Concert
St Paul's Church Huddersfield

Sunday 22nd June Afternoon,
Wetherby Bandstand

Saturday 5th July Evening Concert,
Foley Hall, Ilkley

Sunday 20th July Afternoon,
Shibden Park

Sunday 24th August Afternoon,
Valley Gardens Harrogate

Sunday 7th September Afternoon,
Sowerby Bridge Rushbearing

Sunday 16th November Afternoon, Haworth

Saturday 29th November Afternoon,
Piece Hall Halifax

Sunday 20th December Afternoon, Haworth

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