



HOLBEACH TOWN BAND

NEWSLETTER - NOVEMBER 2017

REMEMBRANCE

We made our annual visit to Holbeach St Marks for their Remembrance service on 12th November.

This was the first job the band ever did after it was formed in 1971, and we have done it every year since.

As usual we set up in the Church then walk to the village War Memorial where we played 1914 March and some hymn tunes. Adam Reece played Last Post.



After the laying of the wreaths we returned to church and played the hymns for the service. Towards the end of the service wreaths are layed at the war memorial inside the church and Tom Judd-Cooper played Last Post.



YOUNG FARMERS

We had a very pleasant evening playing at the Lincolnshire Young Farmers Ball. We were first approached 2 months before the event, but the job wasn't confirmed until 2 weeks before. We were due to play from 7.00 to 7.45 as the guests arrived and then again from 8.00 to 8.30 while the starter course was served. The theme of the Ball was Best of British so we planned to play suitable 'British' music.



When we arrived we were told that Morris Dancers had also been booked and would start at 7.30. In fact they did not arrive until 8.30 so we ended up playing through to 8.30 with a very short break.



TESCO BAGS OF HELP

The Band is bidding to bag a massive cash boost from the Tesco Bags of Help initiative.



Tesco teamed up with Groundwork to launch its community funding scheme, which sees grants of £4,000, £2,000 and £1,000 – raised from carrier bag sales in Tesco stores - being awarded to local community projects.

The band is one of three groups in the Holbeach region shortlisted to receive the cash award and shoppers are being invited to head along to Tesco stores to vote for who they think should take away the top grant. Voting is open in all Tesco's Holbeach store throughout November and December. Customers will cast their vote using a token given to them at the check-out in store each time they shop.

Keep shopping at Tesco's! We are doing well, but need to keep those tokens flowing in!

Musical Director's comment:

Music folders 1: We've had more issues with missing music folders, both at a concert and at practice! Members *must not* take their music home if they are not going to be at an event. The same applies to practices – your music must be at the bandroom in case it is needed by someone else.

Music folders 2: The black folders should all now be in the bandroom so that they can be prepared for next year. Thanks to those who have taken the new music to sort in order and check for complete parts.

Carol playing 1: Make sure you are properly dressed. Warm clothing (winter coats) for outside; normal uniform (waistcoats) for inside. But be prepared for a change of temperature – probably safer to wear the winter coat over the waistcoat! And don't forget gloves.

Carol playing 2: We need collectors! If you have family and friends who can help please bring them.

COMING UP

Date	Time(s)	Event
Fri 1 December	7.30 to 9.30pm	Christmas Concert at St Mary's Church, Tydd St Mary. Parking on roadside.
Sat 2 December	2.30 to 4.00pm	Indoors for St Nicholas Fayre at All Saints Church, Holbeach. Learner Group and Training Band will also play a 15 minute slot.
Sun 3 December	10.00am to 1.00pm	Outside Carol playing at Sainsburys, Spalding
Fri 8 December	8.15 to 8.30pm	Carol playing for the Band's fund-raising Bingo at the W.I. Hall Holbeach. Help needed to serve refreshments while the band plays.
Sat 9 December	10.00am to 1.00pm	Inside Carol playing at Morrisons, Pinchbeck (Limited size band)
Sun 10 December	3.00 to 5.00pm	Christmas Music Cafe at W.I. Hall, Holbeach Learner Group and Training Band will also play a 15 minute slot. Family and friends please help with refreshments
Sat 16 December	10.00am to 1.00pm	Outside (presumably) Carol playing at Co-op, Holbeach
Sun 17 December	2.00 to 4.00pm	Carol playing in the Wards at Holbeach Hospital
Wed 20 December	6.00 to 6.45pm	Outside playing Carols around the Tree at All Saints Church, Holbeach (indoors if wet)
Sat 23 December	10.00am to 1.00pm	Carol playing outside Aurora Cafe, Holbeach
Sun 24 December	10.00am to 1.00pm	Carol playing under cover in the entrance to Tesco, Holbeach

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