



HOLBEACH TOWN BAND

NEWSLETTER - AUGUST 2018

AUGUST EVENTS

30th July to 3rd August - Learn to Play Week

As a result of the Learn to Play Week we have three new learners in our starter group.

26th August - Whaplode Drove Social Club

We were invited to take a group to Whaplode Drove for an outdoor BBQ event. The event was on Bank Holiday Sunday so we expected some absentees. In fact we had a band of 16 players and we went down well with the audience.



As it was a Bank Holiday there was heavy rain all day! So the organisers moved the event inside the Elizabethan Centre. The rain kept a lot of villagers away, but those who came seemed to enjoy it.



Extract from Spalding Voice newspaper, 30th August:

Bad Bank Holiday weather didn't stop the music this weekend, when a planned outdoor event headed inside and the bands struck up regardless.

On Sunday, the live music and BBQ event at The Elizabethan centre at Whaplode Drove went ahead, with live music from Holbeach Town Band and Holbeach rock band Eunike.

The Centre's David Barfoot said: "a quick decision was made in the morning to move indoors due to the expected weather conditions, the people who braved the weather enjoyed themselves. The Holbeach Town band and Eunike went down very well, two different types of music. Thanks to all who helped on the day."

WELCOME

Welcome to Deborah Simpson who has returned to the band playing tenor horn after a break of 12 years to bring up her family. Her son Alex has also just joined our Starter Group.

BANDROOM

At last, after 10 years of uncertainty, we have a new 20-year lease of the Bandroom.

There was a last minute hitch when the Council put a 'break' clause in the Lease giving the Council or the Band the right to terminate the Lease every 3 years. After a discussion they agreed to remove the Clause and the new lease has now been signed.

There was a further complication when, the week after the lease was signed, the Council put bollards across the entrance to the car park next to the band room which prevent the neighbours and the band from using the car park. Fortunately we now have a key to the bollards



BINGO

The next bingo is on Friday 14th September. The bingo sessions raise welcome funds to help with the band's overheads. All sections of the band benefit. Help is needed to set up at 6.30, sell tickets at 7.00, serve refreshments at 8.15, and pack away at 9.30. Please help if you can.

COMING UP

Sat 1st September - Cowbit Playing Field

Cancelled

Sat 15th September - Last Night of the Proms

This is a return visit to the Moulton Community Centre. The space for the band was very tight last year, and we have more players this year!! There is a stage in the hall but its only big enough for half the band. Should be fun fitting us in this year.



Sun 16th September - Ayscoughfee Gardens

At last a return visit has been arranged. The financial problems of last year seem to have been resolved, and the

series of concerts has been re-started. Hope the weather stays nice!



Sat 29th September - Last Night of the Proms

This is more of a Last *Afternoon* of the Proms at the WI Hall, Holbeach, but will include all the usual Last Night music with audience sing-along. There is an entrance charge of £5 but children are free, and we are providing tea and cake at half time.



EVENTS LIST

Date

Event

Saturday 15 th September	Last Night of the Proms at Moulton Community Centre
Sunday 16 th September	Concert in Ayscoughfee Gardens, Spalding
Saturday 29 th September	Last Night of the Proms at WI Hall, Holbeach
Sunday 11 th November a.m.	Remembrance Service at Moulton Seas End
Sunday 11 th November p.m.	Remembrance Service at Holbeach St Marks
Friday 30 th November	Tydd St Mary – Christmas Concert
Sunday 9 th December	Christmas Music Café at WI Hall, Holbeach
Friday 14 th December	Christmas Concert at Fulney Church
Saturday 15 th December	Carols at Tesco's Holbeach
Monday 24 th December	Carols at Tesco's Holbeach

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