



# HOLBEACH TOWN BAND NEWSLETTER - JANUARY 2020

## JANUARY EVENTS

### Band Meal

On 2nd January we had a very pleasant evening meal at the Bluebell Inn, Whaplode St Catherines. A carvery was available as well as their full menu. And their desserts were superb.

The meal was open to all band members and families as well as those in the Training Band and Learner Groups and it was good to see some of them there.



### Sorting folders

8 members of the Band went to the band-room on 3rd January and spent a couple of hours removing last year's concert pieces from the music folders and then made a good start putting in this year's pieces.



Note: it was quite hectic so there were probably some errors - please check your folders!!

## AGM

The Band's Annual General Meeting was held on 29th January. The meeting is usually presided over by the band President but he was unable to attend; the vice-President was also unable to attend. In their absence the Chairman would normally take over but she was unable to attend as was the vice-chairman!! In their absence the meeting was presided over by the Musical Director assisted by the secretary.

Deborah Simpson was elected as Treasurer. The other Band Officers were re-elected.

The Trophies were presented:



Musical Director's Trophy to trombonist Alex Simpson who has made rapid progress

Jack Hopkin's Trophy for the Training Band to Matthew Simons who is principal cornet in the Training Band

Cecil Cook Trophy for the Player's Player of the Year to drummer James Biggs

## BINGO

The Band's bingo sessions have been running for almost as long as the band has existed - certainly over 40 years.

Around 10 years ago there were approx. 100 attending the sessions. Over the years, the number has gradually decreased so that now we are lucky to get more than 30. As a result, the profit from each session has reduced and we are now, for most months, running at a loss. This is not something that can continue so we reluctantly took the decision to cancel the bingo sessions with immediate effect. Many thanks to those members of the band and others who gave their time to run the sessions.

## GOODBYE

We are sorry to say goodbye to Martin Oliver (1st baritone) who has left to concentrate on playing Tenor Horn with Kirton Band. He had been with us for a year and was Treasurer

Goodbye, also, to Sophie Hammond who joined 5 years ago and was in the Learner Group and Training Band

## OFFICERS

Musical Director  
Chairman  
Secretary  
Treasurer  
Band Manager  
Welfare Officer

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