

# HOLBEACH TOWN BAND

Enjoying Brass Banding in Holbeach since 1971

Golden Anniversary (1971 - 2021)

# NEWSLETTER - MAY 2023

### MAY EVENTS

It's been a busy month!

### Sun 7th May - King's Coronation at Carter's Park

This event was organised by Holbeach Parish Council in the Jubilee Garden in Carter's Park, Holbeach. We played for an hour. It was a sunny day and there was a long queue for the ice cream van.

### Sat 13th May - Spalding Flower Parade



After an absence of 10 years, the Spalding Flower Parade returned. It was an early start - we were asked to arrive at the Castle Sports Centre no later than 9.00am for an 11.00am start. It was very busy! We will travelling on the back of a lorry - there were no sides, but the seats were strapped down. The start was delayed by 15-20 minutes because a tree branch was in the way and had to be removed. We had a few complaints about not playing as we passed the less-populated areas the visitors don't realise that we have to take a break between pieces. We did manage to play the Flower Parade March 8 or 9 times!! We've been invited to take part again next year on 11th May 2024.

### Sat 20th May - Spring Craft Fair at Crowland Abbey

A return visit to Crowland Abbey - always a pleasant event. We played incidental music for 2 hours and received good comments.

### COMING UP

#### Sun 11th June - Village Fete at Fleet Hargate

This fete is a new venue for us. It is being organised by the Parish Council. We will be playing  $2 \times 40$ minute sets at 1.00pm and 3.00pm. Between the sets we will have our own stall to advertise the band.

#### Sun 30th July - Teddy Bear Picnic

This will be held in Ayscoughfee Gardens, Spalding and is part of the fundraising for the Flower Parade

Mon 31st July to Fri 4th August - Learn to Play Week

Sun 20th August - Gosberton House Summer Fete

Sun 27th August - Burfest at Burr Lane, Cowbit

Sun 3rd September - Holbeach Food Fair at Carter's Park, Holbeach

Sat 9th September - Last Night of the Proms at Tydd St Giles [NB this is a change of date]

## Neil's Nags

It's time to decide how to keep the bandroom tidy and clean. Please have a think and share your suggestions at the next rehearsal. The toilet and kitchen probably need cleaning weekly, the bandroom floor mopping monthly, and things put away properly and noticeboards updated. Let's keep it sparkling!

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