



# HOLBEACH TOWN BAND

## NEWSLETTER - SEPTEMBER 2018

### SEPTEMBER EVENTS

#### 15th September - LNOP Moulton

A return visit to the Moulton Community Centre for a Last Night of the Proms concert. We had a weak cornet section, so we had some guest cornet players (Ben Brickles, Ian Pryke and Phil Bramham) also an extra Eb Bass with Jeanette Bramham. So we had a band of 35. Very enthusiastic audience and the organisers made us very welcome. And they provided us with a lovely buffet at half time - thanks Dee.



#### 16th September - Ayscoughfee Gardens

Nice to be back in Ayscoughfee Gardens for their series of Music in The Gardens concerts - as it turned out, we were the *only* band to play. It was a fine day for us with a bit of sun and some dark clouds but it kept fine. We had a weak cornet section again so we had some guest cornet players (Ben Brickles and James Hopkin) plus guest 1st Trombone (Evan Hopkin) and extra Eb Bass (Jeanette Bramham).



#### 29th September - LNOP W.I. Hall, Holbeach

A great afternoon at the W.I. Hall Holbeach for our afternoon Last Night of the Proms concert. Thanks to Band members and friends who kindly supplied a large quantity of cake for the half-time break and also a considerable quantity of raffle prizes. We had a weak cornet line-up so we moved our repiano and soprano players to the front row. It worked well. The raffle during the half-time break took so long that we had to cut a couple of pieces from the second half.



### WELCOME

Welcome to Alex Simpson who recently joined our Starter Group. He's made excellent progress and has moved into the main band on trombone.

### GOODBYE

A sad goodbye to 3 players:

Tony Blankley (drummer) who has been with us since 2004. He has retired from playing.

Tom Judd-Cooper (solo cornet) who joined us as a beginner in 2009. He has now left school and gone to work in Leeds

Lynn Williamson (2nd cornet) who joined us in 2016 having recently started to play. She has moved away from the area

We wish them well. They will be missed..



### BINGO

The next bingo is on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October. 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

### 25th October - Springfields

We have been invited back to Springfields, to play Christmas carols for the switching on of the Christmas lights. We will be playing two sets on the stage, starting at 6.00pm. As this is a Thursday evening during half-term week, we will have absences, but please come if you can.

### 11th November - Remembrance Sunday

We have two events this year - the usual in the afternoon at Holbeach St Marks, and also in the morning at Moulton Seas End.

At Moulton Seas End we will play a couple of pieces at the War Memorial then go into the village hall and play one or two more. As we understand it, we will not be required to play Last Post.

In the afternoon we are back at Holbeach St Marks where we will play at the War Memorial then go into church and play for the service.



### Christmas

We have Concerts at Tydd St Mary Church and at Fulney Church. Also at a Music Café at the W.I. Hall, Holbeach

We will be playing carols every Saturday morning in December as well as on Christmas eve.

We may still be invited to play at Holbeach Christmas Fayre (probably on 1st December) and play Carols around the Tree in the week before Christmas.

**Early warning: there will be no Saturday morning starter/learner groups in December as the band will be busy!**

### Collectors needed:

All the carol playing jobs need collectors. Ideally we need 4 to 6 collectors each time. Traditionally family members and friends collect for us as well as members of the learner/training bands.

## EVENTS LIST

Date	Event
Thursday 25th October	Carols at Springfields for switching on Christmas lights
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> November a.m.	Remembrance Service at Moulton Seas End
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> November p.m.	Remembrance Service at Holbeach St Marks
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	Christmas Concert at St Mary's Church, Tydd St Mary
Saturday 1st December	Carols at Sainsbury's, Spalding
Friday 7th December	Carols at Band's fund-raising bingo
Saturday 8th December	Carols at Springfields, Spalding
Sunday 9th December	Christmas Music Café at WI Hall, Holbeach
Friday 14th December	Christmas Concert at St Paul's Church, Fulney
Saturday 15th December	Carols at Tesco's Holbeach
Saturday 22nd December	Carols at Café Aurora, Holbeach
Monday 24th December	Carols at Tesco's Holbeach

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