



## **Christmas Carolling**

Once again we had a most successful Christmas carolling season. We raised over £2000 and we are donating the sum of £752.76 to each of the three local charities we supported this year! Thank you to all the players who shivered outside the supermarkets, to all the collectors who braved the cold, and to all the generous people who smiled as they dropped coins (and notes!) into our buckets.

## **AGM**

We shall be holding our AGM on Friday 4th March at 7.30pm also at St Michael's - everyone is invited to come along and find out what the bandleaders have planned for 2011!

Please make every effort to attend as this gives you the ability to find out more information about the band and the way that the organisation operates.

All committee positions are available for nomination, and we ask that you consider the posts that are available - we're always looking for new people to be involved!

Joy Porter is standing down from her position of Secretary. Her job is to take minutes during the committee meetings, help with booking venues and dealing with engagement requests, as well as dealing with all general correspondence.

All job descriptions can be found on our website.

## **Main Band Positions**

The Main Band is looking for Tenor Horn and Bass Trombone players.

To apply, please speak to your bandleader by the 21st of January.

## **49 Club Winners**

27/11/2010 Becky Chalklen

4/12/2010 Chalklen Family

11/12/2010 Colin Hodge

18/12/2010 Di Russ

25/12/2010 Sarah and Adam

1/1/2011 Brian Hawkins

8/1/2011 Sue Lovie

We currently have number 48 available, if anyone fancies their chances of winning please let Jayne Howlett know.

## **"Our President" Concert**

Make sure you put Saturday 26th February in your diaries - our main band is presenting 'Our President' - a concert of music chosen by Bill Bell who is our inspirational band president.

Bill is 97 and has chosen a varied and exciting mixture of pieces to illustrate his

lifelong love of music. Tickets are £2.50 (children 11 and under free) from either 07802 868924 or online from our website.

You are invited to attend the:

Martlesham Brass Quiz Night

Saturday 5th February 2011, 7pm

St Michael's Church Centre, Martlesham Heath

Nibbles provided, bring your own drinks (alcohol permitted)

teams of no more than 6 people

£2 per ticket (under 11's free)

Tickets available from Jayne Howlett or Chris Beale

All proceeds from the evening to go towards the band's tour to Watchet, Somerset in April

### **Watchet Tour 2011 - update**

All accommodation and the coach has now been booked for the tour and thanks to the announcement of the additional bank holiday (thanks to Kate and William!) we have a few more people on the coach which will help keep the costs down. It is likely we will still leave Martlesham at tea time but definite timings are still to be decided. Bruce has been busy in Watchet getting his and other local bands together to join us at the workshop on Saturday and is already planning with MB bandleaders the music we are going to be playing. There are still coach spaces available and I am sure accommodation could still be booked if there are any latecomers that would like to join us or just fancy a long weekend in Somerset! Please see Jayne Howlett for further details.