



Thank you!

To all at MB,

Martlesham Brass Members are the most wonderful human beings and we don't know what we will do without you! We will miss you all, but know we have friendships that will last a lifetime. Thank you all for your good wishes and your fantastic generosity. Bruce has played for 36 years and has never had his own instrument! He will now be able to get a trombone that will remind us (and our new neighbours) every day of our wonderful friends at MB.

Thanks also to the DVD crew for the DVD, poem, gong(!), flowers, photo album, practice CD and Zac's 'doggie' gifts! Your generosity extends to your time and your hearts, we will miss you all so much!

Keep making music fun, and think of us when you play Gabriel's Oboe & Cherry Pink!!

Watch out tho', we WILL be back for as many concerts and events as we can; and don't forget, we do expect loads of visitors at Somerset Band Camp!!

With all our love always

Alison, Bruce, Siobhan and Zac

New Band Jackets

Every member should by now have their new band jacket, if you have not please see Jayne Howlett or Simon Chalklen. The majority of the funding for the jackets was provided by County Councillor Steven Hudson's locality budget, we are very grateful to Steven for his support. Please ensure you bring your jacket to outside band engagements to wear if it is wet or a bit chilly!

Music on the Green - Saturday 12th July

As you know the intermediate and main bands are performing at the Music on the Green event. The band also have a pitch with attractions to raise band funds. We will be running a tombola, tuck shop and chocolate card game this year. We will need tombola prizes for this event, please bring along any donations to band practice on Friday 11th July. If you feel you can help out on the day please let Jayne or Chris know. We will be setting up from 9.30am and running the stall from 10.30am till 4pm.

Have a good summer holiday!

We're breaking up at the end of July for our monthly-long break in August, with band resuming on the 3rd and 5th of September.

49 Club

We are currently in the middle of a 49 club session, please can all members bring your payment, £5 per number, in a named envelope to band by 11th July marked 'FAO Jayne 49 Club'. Cheques payable to Martlesham Brass. Please pay as promptly as possible otherwise we are unable to pay out prize money!! For those that don't know, the 49 club is based on the Saturday lotto bonus ball and half the money goes to the band and half in prizes, you could win £10 per week and £32.50 every 10th week. Anyone connected to band can have a number if there is one available. We currently have several numbers that need an owner due to the Eyley family leaving the band! If you want to help raise money and have a chance of winning see Jayne with your £5 and be part of the fun!

The numbers that are currently available are: 13, 27, 29, 33, 36, 40, and 44.

Martlesham Brass Quiz Night - Saturday 18th October 2008

Just a note for your diary, further details to follow.

18th July - Unused instrument review

If you have any spare band instruments stored away at home, please bring them along on the 18th of July, where we will be having a review of all of our unused instruments. Thanks.

Instrument maintenance

Please note that valve oil and grease are always available from your bandleader. Please ensure that you keep your instrument in good working order.

Keeping your details updated

If you change address or phone number, please let us know. We'll keep a book in the entrance to St. Michael's available for the next month if you need to change your details.

Summer Fayre

Many thanks to everyone who took part in the summer fayre we raised a massive £791. The draw was a great success thanks to the support from local businesses who provided the raffle prizes and to all the families and friends who bought tickets.

Ipswich Co-op Jazz Band...

... are currently looking for new members. They rehearse Saturday mornings at the Co-op education centre in Ipswich town centre.