



I am very sad to announce that Derek Moyes, of the Intermediate band, passed away unexpectedly on 27th February 2011. Derek was a much loved member of Martlesham Brass and will be greatly missed by everyone. Derek will be fondly remembered both for his wealth of experience as a cornet player, always helping others to learn, and for his fantastic contributions to the Summer Fayre, with his 'Bric-a-brac' and ever-impressive plant stall. I am sure many of us still have some of the fruits of his labours still growing in our gardens. Derek had many friends in both Martlesham Brass and other bands that he previously played with.

A brief committal service will be held at Seven Hills Crematorium, at 2.15p.m, followed by a Celebration of his Life at Woodbridge Methodist Church, on Friday, March 11, at 3.00 p.m. The family have requested no flowers, but if you would like to make a donation in his memory please speak to me.

Mark Chalklen
Intermediate Bandleader.

Watchet Tour update

For those that are unable to get to Jayne's presentation at the AGM here are some key bits of information for you...

The coach money will be due 1st April 2011, this currently stands at £20 per head but can vary depending on numbers, please keep Jayne up to date if you have a change of plan. Also the caravans are equipped with duvets and pillows but you will need linen. If you do not wish to take your own, linen hire is available at £15 double £7.50 single. Requests and money to Jayne please also by the 1st April. Jayne will be sending out her presentation to everyone booked on the tour so you can read all about the latest plans. Any questions please do not hesitate to contact Jayne.

Watchet Practices

Rehearsals for the Watchet tour will be taking place from 8pm to 9pm most Fridays leading up to the Tour. All players involved are invited to come along. We will also be having two Saturday rehearsals, as there is a lot of music to cover!

Dates are as follows:

11th March (8pm-9pm)
18th March (8pm-9pm)
25th March (8pm-9pm)
1st April (8pm-9pm)
8th April (8pm-9pm)
9th April (1pm-3pm)

22nd April (8pm-9pm)
23rd April (9am-12pm)

49 Club Winners

5/2/2011 Harry Fricker
12/2/2011 Madeleine Wright
26/2/2011 Mike Benyon

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

Quiz night

Congratulations to the Howard Family team who won the quiz night, great fun was had by all and we made an amazing £198.48. This money will help towards the coach costs for the Watchet Tour.

Door Rota

We have a door rota at band so that players and parents can keep up-to-date with the band's activities. We're currently seeking some volunteers to help out. We'd require someone to cover once every 8 weeks. Please speak to Joy if you're available to help.

Intermediate Band Positions

The Intermediate Band is looking for Bass Trombone players.
To apply, please speak to your bandleader by the 18th of March.

Instruments

Whilst spring cleaning, please make sure you also clean out your instrument - washing out and lubricating slides and valves will keep it in tip-top condition, and save us from having to send instruments away for repair! Thanks.

"Our President" Concert

Paul has some recordings of the Main Band concert. These will be available on the 'Front Desk' at practice. If anyone wants to make a donation please speak to Mary.