



# Winterley Methodist Brass Band



*Founded 1938*

## 75 Years Celebrations – Newsletter No.9

### ADAM TAYLOR

Carlton Frickley Main Brass Band engaged Adam Taylor to arrange the programme which they performed at the Brass In Concert Competition, 2012, at The Sage Theatre, County Durham. Adam was awarded 'The Best New Arrangement' prize for his arrangement of 'Send In The Clowns'. You can listen to a recording of this piece featuring Kirsty Abbots, Carlton's principal cornet, by visiting the Winterley website ( Home page). The really good news is that we have commissioned Adam to arrange a piece of music for our band. Adam's biography will appear in a later edition of the newsletter.

### 1938 – A YEAR OF NEW BEGINNINGS

Did you know that the following events took place in 1938?

**Births:** Diana Rigg – actress; Derek Jacobi – actor; David Dimbleby – broadcaster; Paul Daniels – magician; Rodney Bewes – comedy actor; David Bailey – photographer; John Prescott – former Deputy Prime Minister.

**Events:** The Beano comic first went on sale. First televised football match (England v Scotland) AND Winterley Methodist Sunday School Band (as it was first known) was formed!

### FUNDRAISING

Twelve months ago we set a fundraising target of '12 in 12': twelve events in twelve months, with the aim of trying to raise £2000 towards the cost of the 75 Years Celebrations. Having now completed ten events and raised £843.50, we have one event remaining and the final total of Winterley's Got Talents still to declare.

#### New Year Raffle

Please support the New Year Raffle. Hazel will be selling tickets during rehearsals in January and the draw will take place on 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2013.

#### 'Winterley's Got Talents' – Final Call

Thank you to everyone for their efforts and donations towards 'Winterley's Got Talents'. Jill would like to declare the final total raised by the scheme, but unfortunately we are waiting for ten members to return their £5 together with any money they have been able to raise. Please, please do your best to give all outstanding money to Jill by 31 January. Thank you.

### THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who joined the only band playing carols in Middlewich on 1<sup>st</sup> December – Winterley Methodist Brass Band. As a result of our efforts we are due to receive a cheque from Middlewich Town Council for £100.

#### One in Eleven Appeal

Thank you to everyone who played carols or collected at Wheelock Farm Shop on 8 December from 11.00 – 14.00. We managed to collect an average of over £1 per minute and we have shared the proceeds between the One In Eleven Appeal and the band. Approximately 3,000 babies are born at Mid-Cheshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust each year, with one in eleven needing additional support – ranging from a few hours of special care to a few weeks in an intensive care unit. The Mid-Cheshire Hospitals Charity One in Eleven Appeal aims to raise £1 million for a new Neonatal Intensive Care Unit.

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## WHERE ARE THEY NOW? – Tina Ashburner

As part of the 'countdown' to our 75 Years Celebrations, some of our former members have kindly agreed to write a few paragraphs about what has happened to them since they left the band. This article is from Tina Ashburner (*nee Sandlands*).

*'My Dad, Ken Sandlands, had played with Winterley Methodist Brass Band for as long as I could remember. He practised his Euphonium regularly . . . upstairs I hasten to add.*

*'I was presented with a cornet at the age of 10. The cornet wasn't my first instrument; I had been learning to play the piano from seven years old and so could read music to a point. However, I'd never experienced playing in a Brass Band and, with the encouragement from Cliff Barnett and Dave Newton, I soon picked it up. My sister Dawn started learning to play the Flugel Horn along with my cousins, so it became a real family affair. When I had braces on my teeth I switched to the Tenor Horn and was pretty pleased to move from 1st Cornet because, as a 12 year old girl, I was fair game for the likes of Simon Lewis!*

*'I looked forward to Thursday rehearsals. My favourite pieces were the marches and hymn tunes such as The Chieftain and Slaidburn. My highlights throughout the year were the 'Banding rounds' especially Christmas morning. The banter in between stops was highly entertaining even if the playing was sometimes a bit dodgy!! People like Alan Warburton and Derek Antrobus were key players.*

*'I left home in 1985 to study Occupational Therapy in Liverpool. My first job took me to Watford General Hospital and then to Stoke Mandeville Hospital in Aylesbury where I specialised in working with patients who had had strokes and head injuries. My speciality led me into training for a while taking me travelling and teaching all around the UK.*

*'In 1998 I married Tim and moved to Marlow, Buckinghamshire. Tim studied Timpani and Percussion at the Royal Academy of Music. We have been blessed with two children; Lucy (12) who plays the Flute and James (11) who plays the Trombone. James played at the local theatre in December, and Lucy under the Christmas tree in Marlow High Street for the switching on of the Christmas lights.*

*'We all play in the worship band at Marlow Methodist Church – although I play bass guitar - so music is still alive and well in my life.*

*'Last year I returned to work at Marlow community hospital after a seven year break. I work with elderly people helping them to get home following recent injury or illness. In my spare time I present on the local radio station Marlow FM and go for the occasional jog. My Tenor Horn sadly doesn't get out much at the moment, but there are a couple of local brass bands I may look up in the future. In the meantime Mum (Hazel Sandlands) keeps me up dated on the latest news from Winterley Methodist Brass Band. I'm looking forward to the 75 Years Celebrations in November.'*

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## NEXT PLANNING MEETING

The last planning meeting was held on Tuesday 20 November 2012. Thanks to Hazel for hosting the meeting and to Jill, Caroline (& Neil) for attending. Next meeting – Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30pm at 12 Newtons Lane.

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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

7 February	BAND AGM 7.30 pm
23/24 November	75 Years Celebration Re-Union Event & Band Sunday

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## AND FINALLY....

Our special thanks to Caroline and David for printing the Christmas cards and band round tickets, plus hosting the party on 3 January. What would we do without them?

Best Wishes  
Neil Barnett - 75 Years Planning Group Chair  
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