The Official Newsletter of the Woolston Brass Band Est. 1891. Patron: Dame Adrienne Stewart DNZM QSM LLD (Hon)



"The Woolstonian" CD Recording

Under the direction of **Tyme Marsters**, **Michael Bell** and the team at Orange Studio in Ferrymead, we have recorded the works that will feature on our new CD. Titled *'The Woolstonian'*, the recordings were made over the weekend of 29 April -1 May

It was an intense but rewarding weekend, and overall Tyme and the band were very happy with what was created and achieved with the help of Orange Studio. *The Woolstonian* will feature two new compositions; a March entitled '*The Woolstonian*' written by New Zealand composer **Kenneth Young** for Woolston Brass' 125th Anniversary.

Says Ken, "It is a huge honour for me to be asked to write a march for the band which I grew up playing in and which has given me so much musical pleasure plus life-time friendships. They have also been more than generous with their many performances of my music over the years."

'He is Starlight' written by New Zealand composer Anthony Ritchie. The work was premiered by Woolston Brass in October 2015 at the UNESCO Starlight Festival and Ritchie dedicated the composition to his late father **Professor John Ritchie**, a former New Zealand composer, Patron of Woolston Brass and supporter of the Arts.

Other works will include marches, sacred and concert items, and solo performances from talent within the band including **Phil Johnston** performing *Rule Brittania* and Anthony Smith performing Jubilance.

The Woolstonian CD will reflect Woolston Brass of 2016 and its new era in history with **Tyme Marsters** who was appointed as Music Director in 2015. We hope to launch the CD in July. Watch this space!

We were excited to launch our very first Boosted Campaign in May. We need to reach our target of \$8,500 by 12 June! If our target is reached, donations go towards the development of our new CD entitled 'The Woolstonian' to celebrate and document Woolston Brass' 125th Anniversary. If you wish to play a part in its creation, please see link below or visted www.boosted.org.nz for more information about the project and how to donate.

We would also very much appreciate your help in spreading the word about our Boosted Campaign. Closes 12 June.

Woolston Brass 125th Anniversary CD Recording Boosted Campaign https://www.boosted.org.nz/projects/woolston-brass-125thanniversary-cd-recording



We held a successful launch on Wednesday 13 April of our Patron Partnership Programme and we are pleased to say 25 out of 33 Woolston Brass players are currently sponsored. Please see acknowledgement names listed in this Woolstonian issue.

The evening showcased Woolston Brass' talent and verstality to the highest standard from brass quintet (Raynor Martin, Kevin Hickman, Callum Hewson, Nick Johnson and Phil Johnson) to marching led by Drum Major Todd Turner playing Through Bolts and Bars, to traditional and contemporary brass band repertoire led by Music Director Tyme Marsters including Principal Eb Bass Phil Johnston performing Rule Brittania. The night finished off with an entertainment bracket of popular and swing/jazz numbers featuring vocalists David Fiu, Abbie Marsters and Caroline Blackmore, and keyboard player George Buchanan. The night also featured an impressive fashion parade of the Woolston uniforms of the ages and Woolston's new uniform designed by Black Design and Manufacturing Ltd.

Thank you to... Vbase for providing an amazing venue and great service; Dame Adrienne Stewart, Brendan Wood, Maree Inwood, Todd Turner, Gary Pinker and Tyme Marsters for their support and assistance leading up to the event; MC Brendan Wood; Johnstone Jones Design, Phoenix, CQ (Printing), Vicky Mills Photography and Latitude; helping players Nick Johnson, Bob Neil and Lolo Tu'uhetoka who filled in for players who were away and other helpers on the day including Bob Neil, Mark van der Klei, Todd Turner, Colleen Hoy, Cyrenne Seaton, Cameron Lee and Raynor Martin.

We are very grateful for the generous support of our current and former Patrons who have ultimately invested in Woolston Brass' future. Welcome to the family new Patron Partners. If you, someone you know or a business would be interested in supporting Woolston Brass in this way, please do not hesitate to contact with me. We still have seven players seeking partnership for 2016 and 2017 from \$2,000 to \$5,000 per year. Please do not hesitate to contact Caroline Blackmore caroline@woolstonbrass.org or phone 021 5334 66





Latitude Magazine

We were excited to feature in Latitude Magazine's April/May issue in an article entitled 'Banding Together' written by Kim Newth. Thank you Kim and Latitude for your support in promoting the band's 125th year.

National Band Representatives

Congratulations to everyone selected for the National Band of New Zealand who will compete at the World Music Contest Kerkrade in 2017. Well done to the following members representing Woolston Brass; Kyle Lawson (Solo Cornet), Anthony Smith (Third Cornet), Graham Hickman (Third Cornet), Tyme Marsters (Flugel Horn), Steve Miles (Euphonium), Andrew Yorkstone (First Trombone), Phil Johnston (Principal Eb Bass), Sam Pinder (Principal Bb Bass), John Mason (Second Bb Bass), Cameron Lee (Percussion) and Vaea Peterson (Percussion). Amazing achievement!

ANZAC Buglers

Well done to all ANZAC buglers around the nation and globe on ANZAC Day and days leading up including our very own Ross Yorkstone at ANZAC Cove Turkey, Anthony Smith at Victoria Park Christchurch and Raynor Martin at Cramner Square Christchurch and Sir William Pickering Drive Christchurch. We will remember them.

CPBBA Youth Camp

Over the weekend of the 1 April through to 3 April 32 young people aged 9 to 17 gathered at Living Springs under the music direction of Tyme Marsters and assistant conductor Keeneth Love. The weekend was jam packed with rehearsals however the participants managed to fit in some recreational activities on offer at the camp including archery, shooting, swimming and pool table. The camp concluded with a concert at 1pm at the Albion Square in Lyttelton. The next generation of brass banding in Canterbury/New Zealand showcased their hard work and talent – well done to everyone involved! Special thanks to key helpers Janet Powell and Kate Sanders, parent helpers, conductors and tutors.

SummerTimes Concert Series

The first events for the year for Woolston Brass and the Academy was the annual CCC SummerTimes Concert. Woolston Brass performed in the Central Lawn of the Christchurch Botanic Gardens on Sunday 20 March, 12.30pm-2pm. It was a stunning hot Christchurch day enjoyed by an appreciative crowd despite the heat. The Woolston Brass Academy performed on Sunday 27 March, 12.30pm-2pm in Scarborough Park, well done Woolston Junior Band and Woolston Concert Brass - great music, great crowd and great weather! Thank you Christchurch City Council for the opportunity to perform and to those who came along to support us.

Cirque de Soleil After Party

Woolston Brass Quintet consisting of Anthony Smith, Caroline Blackmore, Callum Hewson, Mark van der Klei and Nigel Seaton, performed at the after party of the Cirque de Soleil held on the evening of Sunday 21 February at the Tannery in Woolston. This was a fun and entertaing evening where the members of the Cirque de Soleil could relax and let their hair down half way through their Quidam series of successful shows in Christchurch.

A big year in history for Woolston Brass

Welcome to 2016! Founded in 1891, Woolston Brass is celebrating their 125th Anniversary this year! We have lots of exciting events being held throughout the year that you will see listed in upcoming events. Woolston Brass and the Academy enjoyed a much deserved break over the summer and recommenced rehearsals in February.

CPBBA Solo and Ensemble Contest

Well done to all performers who competed at the CPBBA Solo and Ensemble Contest at Selwyn House School on Sunday 15 May. Thank you to everyone involved including competitors, tutors, accompanists, presenters, writers, supervisors, committee members, extra helpers, supporters and parents. Special thanks to our two judges Brent Large and Slade Hocking who had the tough task of judging the fine performances. Please see the Woolston results below;

Under 13 Slow;

1st place Hazel Wilson (Woolston Concert Brass) 2nd place Amelie MacKay (Woolston Junior Band)

Under 13 Other;

1st place Hazel Wilson (Woolston Concert Brass) 2nd place Amelie MacKay (Woolston Junior Band)

Under 17 Slow;

1st place Abby Wilson (Woolston Concert Brass)

Under 17 Other:

2nd place Zachary Powell (Woolston Concert Brass)
3rd place Jean-Lic Pitcaithly (Woolston Concert Brass)

Junior Group;

2nd place Sophie Hartshaw & Amelie Mackay (Woolston Junior Band)

C/D Grade Slow;

2nd place Vickie Ward Woolston Concert Brass)

C/D Grade Other;

2nd place Vickie Ward (Woolston Concert Brass)

C/D Grade Champion of Champion: Vickie Ward (Woolston Concert Brass)

Open Other

2nd place Sam Pinder (Woolston Brass)

Championship Slow;

2nd place Tyme Marsters (Woolston Brass)
3rd place = Phil Johnston (Woolston Brass)

Championship Other;

1st place Anthony Smith (Woolston Brass) 2nd place Phil Johnston (Woolston Brass) 3rd place Tyme Marsters (Woolston Brass)

Champion of Champions: Anthony Smith (Woolston Brass) / Phil Johnston (Woolston Brass) / Tyme Marsters (Woolston Brass)

Open Duet;

3rd place Matt Toomata & Sam Pinder (Woolston Brass)

Congratulations everyone!

Facebook

"Like" the Woolston Brass Facebook page and be kept up to date with the band's upcoming events and recent activities.

Canterbury Provincial Brass Band Association Inc. (CPBBA) has a new Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/CPBBA/



"Like" their page and you'll be kept up to date with upcoming Canterbury banding activities. Please note, people are not able to post directly - it is a moderated page, but it is viewable by everyone and should be easier to find. The page is a platform for all affiliated bands to be able to promote their activites along with CPBBA activies.

Seriously BRASS 125

Music Director Tyme Marsters

Featuring Belgium Cornet Soloist Harmen Vanhoorne and the premier performance of Kenneth Young's *The Woolstonian*

Sunday 3 July, 4.00pm

Celebration Events Centre, 81 Bickerton Street, Wainoni. Tickets available at the door:
Adult \$30, Concession \$25, Child \$10,
Family (2 Adult + 2 Child) \$65
Early Bird tickets available at www.dashtickets.co.nz

Dirtuoso BRASS125

Solo and Ensemble Contest Saturday 9 July, from 10.00am (entry permissible between performances)

Christchurch North Methodist Parish, 68 Harewood Road, Papanui Tickets available at the door: Standard \$5

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Around the Bandstand and Congratulations to...

Kyle Lawson and **Phil Johnston** for making list for the 2016 4BarsRest Band of the Year.

Georgia Hoy who represented Woolston Brass in the National Youth Brass Band. The group performed in a concert tour entitled 'A Game of Two Halves' 20-23 January in Gisborne, Whakatane, Taupo and Napier under the baton of David Bremner. Our very own Eb Bass player **Phillip Johnston** was the Guest Soloist and performed his famous rendition of Czardas.

Tyme & Abbie Marsters on their wedding day that was held at Vai Villa's in Vaimannga, Rarotonga, Cook Islands on Monday 8th February. "An intimate and small wedding with close family and friends who made the journey from all over NZ and Australia to join our special day. Our wedding ceremony was held on the sandy beach where jandals were optional (Bride and Groom were in bare feet & the Father of the Bride kicked his jandals off when walking Abbie down the isle). The reception/island party was held looking out onto the beach on a deck and land in the same area as the ceremony. It was a wonderful, chilled day spent in the sun with lovely people." – Tyme Marsters (See photos)

Anthony and Helen Smith on arrival of their first child introducing Douglas William Smith born on the 19 January 2016. His main hobbies are looking at trees & dribbling however his father is already trying to introduce a love of band music and is impressed Doug has made it through Extreme Makeover and Of Distant Memories without crying. (See photos)

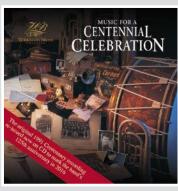
Steve and April Chapman on arrival of their first baby **Alexandria Rose Chapman** born on 2 May 2016.

Brent Hoy and Corrina Dennison for their recent engagement that was held over a lovely Italian meal followed by Sol3Mio's last gig to top off the night.

NZ Army Band/Woolstonian personnel; **Kevin Hickman, Raynor Martin, Ross Yorkstone, Georgia Hoy, Bryce Fairweather, Jordan Seaton, Nick Johnson, John Mason** and **Cameron Lee** who had a once in a lifetime opportunity performing and some meeting Her Majesty the Queen in London for her 90th Birthday Celebrations.

1991 Centennial Cassette Reissued on CD

Woolston Brass' centenary took place during conductor
Ken Smith's tenure in 1991. Under Ken's baton, tours of Sydney, Singapore and Hong Kong were undertaken in commemoration of the occasion. This milestone was also marked by a special concert in the Christchurch Town Hall



and a casette tape recording was produced entitled "Music for a Centennial Celebration". A compact disc (CD) of this recording has been digitally reissued this year. When the original masters came to light recently, it was clear that the recordings deserved another listen, and that reissuing them as a CD would be a fitting tribute to the band's 125 year history. Ken Smith's 1991 band were in fine form, and listeners can be assured that improved technology has enabled us to offer a much enhanced audio experience. Perhaps too, with better reproduction and wider distribution, these excellent performances are, at last, being done justice.









Brass Band Legend David Wolff

It is with great sadness to hear that Brass Band Legend **David Wolff** passed away in January. David was a teacher extraordinaire, Life Member and a former Conductor of Alpine Energy Timaru Brass. Woolston Brass has been very fortunate to gain many of David's former pupils over the years, we owe him a great deal of gratitude for his passion for brass bands and fine teaching of many generations. A Funeral service for David was held at St Thomas' Catholic Church, corner Wai-iti and Mountainview Roads, Timaru on Tuesday 19 January. Our respect and sympathies go to his family, friends and the banding community.

Seat Patron and Loyal Woolston Brass Supporter

We were very sad to hear of the passing of **Gilbert Glausiuss** who passed on 29 December 2015, in the care of his loving wife of 50 years, Patricia Glausiuss. Gilbert was a loyal supporter of Woolston Brass and the wider Arts Community. In the 90s, Gilbert held the position of Band Manager, and with his wife Patricia supported the band the last six years as one of our Seat Patrons. We were honoured to be asked to contribute to Gilbert's farewell that was held on Thursday 7 January, on behalf of the band Callum Hewson performed Strauss' Nocturno as a Tenor Horn Solo at the beginning of the service. Our sincere sympathies and condolences goes to Patricia and his family and friends. We are very grateful for Patricia's ongoing support as one of our 2016/2017 Patron Partners that is also in remembrance of the late Gilbert Glausiuss.

Academy Update

Woolston Brass Management Committee is pleased to announce that we appointed two new positions for the Academy; **Tyme Marsters** as Academy Director and **Cyrenne Seaton** as Academy Coordinator.

Tyme is now coordinating tutors for the Learners Group, and in conjunction with Nick Johnson, Jill Pears, Cyrenne Seaton, Tutors and the Committee; Tyme oversees the musical direction of the Academy and ensure players progress through the different groups. Cyrenne provides administration and coordination support.

We would like to thank Mark van der Klei and Raynor Martin for tutoring the Learners Group over the last few terms. Slade Hocking, Pablo Ruiz Henao and Lindon Weise newly joined the team of Tutors this year. We would also like to take this opportunity to thank past tutors, in particular Bill Vail for his hard work and dedication to the Academy over the past number of years.

Thank you for the fantastic work **Nick Johnson and Jill Pears** (and their Assistant Conductors and Senior Players) continue to do with Concert Brass and the Junior Band respectively. Thank you also to key helpers within the bands, in particular **Kate Sanders**, **Janet Powell**, **Peter Thorby and Vickie Ward** who assist with the smooth running of the groups.

The Committee is excited to be able to give the Academy the attention it deserves and take it to the next level with a team of dedicated people behind it. Members of the Academy have already expressed how much of a difference the new focus and support from Tyme and Cyrenne is making.

If you or someone you know would like to join the Academy or would like more information, please email info@woolstonbrass.org or phone (+64 3) 389 6340

Upcoming Events

Nelson, Marlborough, Westcoast Provincial Contest 4-6 June, ASB Theatre Blenheim. Woolston Concert Brass from the Academy will compete in the C Grade at this contest.

Woolston Concert Brass Open Rehearsal – Thursday 2 June, 7pm, Woolston Band Room

Canterbury Provincial Big Bang Percussion Contest - Sunday 12 June, from 1pm, CSO Rehearsal Room, 2/4 Klondyke Drive, Hornby. Competition for Canterbury based percussionists.

Seriously Brass 125 - Sunday 3 July, 4pm, Celebration Events Centre, 81 Bickerton Street, Wainoni. Please see attached poster for distribution. To purchase early bird tickets, please visit Dash Tickets. Tickets will also be available to purchase at the door. The concert will feature Woolston Brass' National Contest repertoire, the premier performance of 'The Woolstonian' march written by New Zealand composer Kenneth Young, and performances by outstanding cornet soloist Harmen Vanhoorne from Belgium.

Virtuoso Brass 125 (Solo and Ensemble Contest for Woolston Brass & Academy) - Saturday 9 July, from 10am (finish time to be advised), Christchurch North Methodist Parish, 68 Harewood Road. \$5 per ticket at the door. Entry is permissible between performances.

KidsFest, Woolston Brass Academy - Sunday 10 July 2pm-3pm, Knox Church.

National Brass Band Championships, 13-17 July, Napier. Woolston Brass will compete in the A Grade at this contest.

Canterbury Provincial Brass Band Association Contest - Saturday 24 September, Rangiora Town Hall. Woolston Brass will compete in the A Grade, Woolston Concert Brass will be compete in the C Grade, and Woolston Junior Band will perform in the Learners Grade.

Woolston Brass 125th Anniversary Celebration Concert & Dinner - Saturday 8 October. Concert is being held at The Piano, Armagh Street. Dinner venue and further details coming soon.

Christmas Concert (Woolston Brass & Academy) - Sunday 11 December, afternoon concert at the Charles Luney Auditorium, further details coming soon.

We will keep you updated with more information about about our upcoming events when it comes to hand. Please do not hestiate to contact Caroline Blackmore caroline@woolstonbrass.org if you have any questions. Information will also be available on our Website and Facebook Page.

Patron Partners

We are very grateful for the generous support of our Patron Partners. Their support is instrumental to the band's sustainability and success. If you are interested in sponsoring one of the available seats listed below, please contact Caroline Blackmore

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Music Director Available (\$5,000 per year)
Principal Cornet Dame, Adrienne Stewart
Solo Cornet 1 Derek Anderson

Solo Cornet 2 Henshaw Developments Trust

Solo Cornet 3 Sara Daly

Solo Cornet 4 Gilbert and Patricia Glausiuss
Soprano Cornet The Whistlers Syndicate
Repiano Cornet Available (\$2,000 per year)

Second Cornet 1 Black Design and Manufacturing Ltd

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Second Cornet 2 Judith and Graeme Coomer
Third Cornet 1 The Elizabeth Ball Charitable Trust

Third Cornet 2 J Ballantyne & Co Flugel Horn Available (\$3,000 per year) Principal Tenor Horn Quality Property Management First Tenor Horn David and Hilary Stock Second Tenor Horn 1 Available (\$2,000 per year) Second Tenor Horn 2 Christchurch Casino Principal Baritone Leighton and Carmel Brown Second Baritone Barrie and Valerie Hoy Principal Trombone J Ballantyne & Co

Second Trombone Tony Lewis and Abigail Lowther
Bass Trombone Michael and Lesley Petterson

Principal Euphonium Available (\$3,000)

Second Euphonium
Principal E flat Bass
Second E flat Bass 1
Second E flat Bass 1
Second E flat Bass 2
Principal B flat Bass
Second B flat Bass
The Laboratory Lincoln
Available (\$3,000)
The Christmas Hut

Principal Percussion The Elizabeth Ball Charitable Trust

Percussion 1 Robin and Ralph Redpath Percussion 2 Available (\$2,000) Percussion 3 Available (\$2,000)

Committee Members

Patron - Adrienne, Dame Stewart

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Member - Ross Yorkstone

Marketing and Sponsorship Manager – Caroline Blackmore (caroline@woolstonbrass.org or 021 5334 66)

Project Sponsors

We wish to thank the following organisations for their support recently received;

- Four Winds Foundation towards National Contest funding
- Blue Sky Community Trust towards National Contest funding
- Infinity Foundation Limited towards National Contest funding
- The Trusts Charitable Foundation towards National Contest funding
- Christchurch Earthquake Recovery Trust towards National Contest funding
- The Southern Trust towards National Contest funding

We are very grateful to following organisations for their support last year for various projects; Air Rescue Services, Blue Sky Community Trust, Rata Foundation, CCC, Christchurch Earthquake Recovery Trust, Farina Thompson Trust, First Sovereign Trust, Four Winds Foundation, NZ Community Trust, Pub Charity, The Lion Foundation, The Southern Trust, Trust Aoraki, Youthtown Incorporated.

Woolston Brass Foundation

Whether your own connection with the band is deeply personal, or simply a passing interest, we'd like to offer you this opportunity to recognise the significance of Woolston Brass as part of your life. Your support will help ensure the future of a treasured Christchurch institution.

Your support can be given in a number of different ways, you can:

Give a donation by cheque payable to: Woolston Brass Foundation, PO Box 8187, Riccarton, Christchurch 8440, New Zealand

Make a bequest: Contact your Solicitor or speak with any of the Trustees about appropriate wording to include the Foundation in your will. We have standard clauses available to assist with all possible estate planning circumstances.

Make an interest-free loan: Interest -free loans can be bequeathed in your will.

CD Recordings

Our CD recordings: Millennium, ANZAC, Sacred and Rhythm 'n' Brass are available for purchase as physical CDs or mp3 downloads at iTunes and Amazon.com. We also have the following CDs available; Woolston Echoes, Christmas in Christchurch (featuring the CSO, Woolston Brass, the Christchurch City Choir and the ChristChurch Cathedral Choir), Hope and Wire – Eastern (featuring Woolston Brass) and David Thornton – Three Worlds. If you would like a hard-copy CD (\$20), please email caroline@woolstonbrass.org to arrange payment options and postage. Support the band while enjoying the gift of music.

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