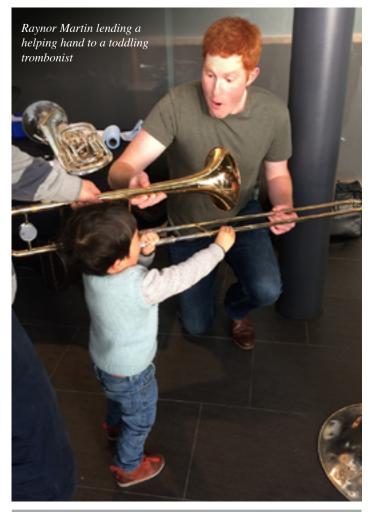
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# KidsFest "Big Brass Bang"

Woolston Brass Academy kicked off the July school holidays on Sunday 9 July with their KidsFest "Big Brass Bang!" Concert at The Piano 2pm-3pm. Junior Band and Concert Brass entertained the appreciative audience by performing fun and well known cartoon tunes. After the concert, kids were lining up in the foyer with their parents to give a brass instrument a go! Raynor Martin is pictured with a young boy helping him make some fine Trombone sounds for the first time! And another young boy is pictured giving the Eb Bass a go with the aid of Martin Bennett. Thank you to everyone who made this whole event a success; Music Director Nick Johnson, all players, instrument demo helpers (Raynor Martin, Tania MacKay, Martin Bennett and Nick Johnson), The Piano Staff plus the set up crew in particular Todd Turner, Caroline Blackmore, Vickie Ward, Ross Ward, William Ward, Jasmine Ward, Raynor Martin and Tania MacKay.





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Canterbury Provincial Brass Band Association Inc. (CPBBA) has a new Facebook page: 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 activities along with CPBBA activies.



# Woolston Brass Merchandise

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### WINTER JAZZ Concert

On Sunday 30 July at The Charles Luney Auditorium, Woolston Brass under the baton of Tyme Marsters with Guest Soloists Kate Taylor, Cameron Pearce, Scott Taitoko and Gwyn Reynolds wowed the audience with their WINTER JAZZ Concert Programme.

A large and appreciative audience were grooving in their seats enjoying every magical moment of the dixie, big band swing, jazz and funk charts. Thank you and congratulations to Tyme, all performers, helpers and the staff at Charles Luney (Al Tie and Jody Keehan) who made this concert a success! Thank you to everyone who came along to support us, we hope you enjoyed it as much as we did!

### Concert Review (Courtesy 4barsRest)

This wasn't Woolston Brass' first concert foray into the jazz idiom. A few years ago they launched a CD called 'Rhythm 'n' Brass' and found that swing might very well be their thing, even on a bitterly cold July afternoon in Christchurch.

Thankfully, a slightly warmer evening saw an excellent audience turn-out at the Charles Luney Auditorium for this 'Winter Jazz' concert - drawn along by some slick PR that promised sophistication and innovation.

They got it: Right from the start in fact, with Nestico's vivacious 'Fascinating Rhythm' featuring Riwai Hina's waspish piano playing.

#### Juggernaut

'Big Band Jive' was full of sumptuous horn, euph and baritone playing, with the band's juggernaut tuba team cut in half to enable the rhythm section to shine: Stu Macfarlane (string bass), Riwai Hina (keyboard) and alternating kit-drummers Robert Petch and Cameron Burnett did that in spades.

Vocalist Kate Taylor was the gorgeous lead with 'Orange Coloured Sky', followed by 'Georgia on My Mind': Hoagy Carmichael may have wrote it, but tenor sax Gwyn Reynolds owned it. It was spell-binding.

#### Full quota

With the tuba section at full quota the band dusted off a couple of chestnuts from its own library: Denzil Stephens' tribute medley 'Miller Magic' and Philip Sparke's take on 'Birdland', were slickly presented before Kate Taylor gave a tasty rendition of the Hoagy Carmichael standard, 'Skylark'. Cameron Pearce sustained the blissful melancholy on flugel with 'Here's that Rainy Day'.

Either side of the interval came contrasting elements; Jim Fieldhouse's 'Nefarious' funked whilst early carefree jazz was recalled with 'Black Bottom Stomp', 'Puttin' on the Ritz' and 'Bring Back that Leroy Brown'.

#### Uninhibited

Trombonist Scott Taitoko was an uninhibited lead on 'Sweet Georgia Brown', before Brian Eckersley, Rob Lobker and Richard Hogarth joined him in the spirited trombone quartet 'Peace like a River'.

Soul time over, more swing came with Kate Taylor's rapturously received 'For Once in my Life' that led into the splendid finale as Tyme Marsters rounded things off with a slick 'Marguarite' with improvised solos from each of the guest performers.

As an encore, 'Bourbon Street Parade' brought the curtain down on a night of classy jazz inflections.

Arthur Stone

### An Afternoon with The Woolston Brass Family

Woolston Brass and The Academy had the pleasure of performing to the band's Patron Partners on Sunday 11 June for a 2pm Concert at The Gibson Centre (Rangi Ruru Girls' School) followed by an afternoon tea catered by staff of Rangi Ruru.

This private concert and event was an opportunity to acknowledge the generous support of our Patrons, showcase the talent of the whole Woolston Family (Woolston Junior Band, Woolston Concert Brass and Woolston Brass), and also an opportunity for the Patrons and Players to meet and catch up. Due to the arrival of baby George Marsters, Phil Johnston kindly stepped in for Tyme Marsters to conduct Woolston Brass' entertainment bracket compered by Gary Pinker.

We would like to thank our Patron Partners for their continued support and friendship, without their support the organisation would not be able to achieve its musical endeavours. Thank you to Rangi Ruru for providing the wonderful venue for our concert and a delicious afternoon tea. Well done to all players and their Music Directors for providing our Patrons a concert they were certainly very proud and appreciative of.

### Graham Hickman Life Member

Congratulations to Graham Hickman (pictured with President and Life Member Gary Pinker) who was awarded Life Membership of Woolston Brass at the AGM on 20 September. Graham had been associated with the band since 1992, firstly as a Cornet player and then was appointed Music Director in 2006 until 2014. Under Graham's baton, the band achieved many musical and organisational successes, including winning the inaugural Australasian title in 2008 and a historic run of four national championship titles in a row; 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012, a feat not achieved in New Zealand since 1907. Graham influenced the musical direction by introducing a number of unfamiliar genres to the band such as jazz, swing and rock and developed Woolston's high art repertoire demonstrating to the wider arts community that brass bands are a legitimate art form. Graham contributed more than musical excellence, he undertook many organisational and administrative tasks, he was a team player and a true Woolstonian. This Life Member award is a well deserved acknowledgement of his outstanding service to the band and successful tenure as Music Director.

# CPBBA Band and Solo Contest | New CDs Released

All three Woolston bands competed at the CPBBA Brass Band Association Contest on Saturday 9 September held at The Charles Luney Auditorium.

Woolston Brass with MD Tyme Marsters competed in the A Grade and received great results; first place in Hymn (I Know Thou Art), Test (Music For Battlecreek), Stage March (Thundercloud) and Entertainment. Anthony Smith took out Best Soloist performing El Cumbanchero as part of the band's Latin inspired entertainment programme that also featured Kevin Hickman in Valero and Raynor Martin in Mambo Caliente - classy playing! Chief Adjudicator was Byron Newton and Entertainment Judge was John McGough.

Woolston Concert Brass with MD Nick Johnson in the C Grade. Great performances in all events, well done WCB! Highlights were Triptych (Test), Abby Wilson's Solo The Lark in the Clear Air and Skyfall.

Woolston was well represented throughout the solo events held on Sunday 10 September, we are super proud of all competitors who entered and thank you to their accompanists, tutors and support crew. Congratulations to the following Woolston members for their wins and placings;

**Under 19 Percussion** 1st Jasmine Ward (WCB)

**Under 15 Percussion** 2nd Jacob Hickman (WJB)

Junior Percussion Ensemble 1st Jasmine Ward & Jacob Hickman (Academy)

#### **Under 13 Slow Melody** 1st Campbell Behrnes (WJB) 2nd David Templeton (WJB) 3rd Maddie Iro (WJB)

Under 13 Other 2nd David Templeton (WJB)

**Under 15 Slow Melody** 1st Hazel Wilson (WCB) 2nd Brendon Lancaster (WJB)

**Under 15 Other** 1st Hazel Wilson (WCB) 2nd Amelie MacKay (WCB)

**Under 17 Slow Melody** 1st Abby Wilson (WCB) 2nd Jean-Luc Pithcaithly (WCB) 3rd Zac Powell (WCB)

Under 17 Other 1st Zac Powell (WCB) 2nd Jean-Luc Pithcaithly (WCB) **Open Slow Melody** 2nd Patrick McCarthy (WCB) 3rd Peter Adams (WCB)

**Open Other** 2nd Tania MacKay (WB) 3rd Patrick McCarthy (WCB)

C & D Grade Slow Melody 1st Martin Bennett (WCB) 3rd Janet Powell (WCB)

C & D Grade Other 1st Martin Bennett (WCB) and overall Champion 2nd Janet Powell (WCB) 3rd = Kate Sanders, Vickie Ward (WCB)

**Championship Slow Melody** 1st Anthony Smith (WB) 3rd = Kevin Hickman, Raynor Martin (WB)

**Championship Other** 1st Kevin Hickman (WB) and overall Champion 3rd Brent Hoy (WB)



Band President Gary Pinker with newly appointed Life Member Graham Hickman.



Our CD recordings: The Woolstonian, Music for a Centennial Celebration, Millennium, ANZAC, Sacred, Rhythm 'n' Brass, Past to Present and British Open Concert Tour 2000 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 Christ Church Cathedral Choir), Hope and Wire -Eastern (featuring Woolston Brass) Woolston Junior Band's So Far, So Good, Christmas at the Cathedral, Dr. Matthew van Emmerik's Homeland (Euhonium), and Byron Newton's Kiwi Dragon (Euhonium).

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.

#### New CDs released:

1991 Music for a Centennial Celebration (Casette Reissued on CD) 2016 The Woolstonian, 1891 – 1991 Music from Past to Present, British Open Concert Tour 2000, So Far - So Good and Christmas at the Cathedral



CPBBA Championship Slow Melody winner Anthony Smith receiving his award from Chief Adjudicator Byron Newton.

### Woolston Brass Annual Band Dinner and Avvards

### – Saturday 16 September, Papanui RSA

Awards presented by Tyme Marsters; Most Improved Player – Georgia Hoy Band Person of the Year – Anthony Smith Woolstonian Trophy – Wayne Shears Best Section – Trombones

Congratulations to the award recipients and thank you to Brent Hoy for organising the event, it was a wonderful evening of celebration enjoyed by Woolston Brass members and their partners.



Band Person of the Year – Anthony Smith







# Around the Bandstand

Congratulations to **Tyme and Abbie Marsters** for the arrival of their son **George Temu Marsters** born on Saturday 3rd June at 12.54am weighing 7p 8oz/3.52kg. Happy Marsters Family!

National Band of New Zealand attended World Brass Band Championships in Kerkrade and secured second place against stiff international competition. A great effort for NZ brass banding! Members representing Woolston Brass include; **Anthony Smith** (Solo Cornet), **Graham Hickman** (Third Cornet), **Kevin Hickman** (Flugel Horn), **Andrew Yorkstone** (Principal Trombone), **Phillip Johnston** (Principal Eb Bass), **Nigel Seaton** (Eb Bass), **Jordan Seaton** (Eb Bass), **Sam Pinder** (Principal BBb Bass), **John Mason** (BBb Bass), **Cameron Lee** (Percussion) and **Vaea Peterson** (Percussion). We are super proud! Thank you to BBANZ for their tremendous work in making the concert tour and overseas opportunity possible for this fine National Band of New Zealand!

National Secondary Schools Brass Band - Congratulations to all selected for the 2017 NSSBB! Well done to Woolston Concert Brass members **Jean-Luc Pithcaithly**, **Zac Powell**, **Hazel Wilson**, **Jasmine Ward** and **Aiyana Manson-Kin**g!

National Youth Band - Congratulations to Georgia Hoy and John Mason for being selected for the 2018 National Youth Band! Anthony Smith, Kevin Hickman, Steve Miles and Phil Johnston are part of the team of section tutors.

Congratulations to **Todd Turner** for being appointed Project Advisor for the Christchurch Town Hall Rebuild for Vbase. The Skellerup Woolston Band (now named Woolston Brass) performed under the baton of Mervyn Waters at the opening of the Christchurch Town Hall on Saturday 30th September 1972. The Town Hall will be officially opened in early 2019 where we hope Woolston Brass will be involved again.

# Upcoming Events

**Saturday 7 October** – *Brass Classics* featuring South Cross Brass, Woolston Brass and Soprano Lois Johnston, The Salvation Army Citadel, Free Entry

**Sunday 15 October** – *Passchendaele WW100*. Commemorating 100 years since the Battle of Passchendaele, Charles Luney Auditorium, 3pm-5pm

Saturday 11 November – Concert featuring Woolston Concert Brass, 6pm-7pm, Charles Luney Auditorium (more details coming soon)

**Sunday 10 December** – *Christmas Concert* featuring The Woolston Brass Family, Charles Luney Auditorium, 4pm-6pm

Woolston Brass is seeking a **Principal Euphonium** player and a **Principal Trombone** player. Band rehearsals are held on Monday and Wednesday evenings in Woolston (Christchurch, New Zealand). Join one of New Zealand's premier brass bands.

For further information and/or to express interest, please email info@woolstonbrass.org or contact Caroline +6421533466

Please do not hestiate to contact Caroline Blackmore caroline@woolstonbrass.org if you have any questions. More information will also be available on our Website and Facebook Page.

# Academy News

The Woolston Brass Committee was pleased appoint Vickie Ward as the new Academy Coordinator for the Woolston Brass Academy in July. This role reports to the Academy Director Tyme Marsters and provides administration and coordination support to the Academy (with the support of the Academy Conductors/Tutors, Academy Director and Committee).

Vickie has been involved with brass bands for many years, she currently plays cornet in Woolston Concert Brass and regularly helps out the Woolston Junior Band. It is a family affair as brass bands are known for; her husband Ross, daughter Jasmine and son William play in Concert Brass, and Jasmine also plays in Junior Band. During the day, Vickie currently works at St Margaret's College as a Digital Archivist and Library Assistant. Vickie brings to the Academy Coordinator role strong administration skills and a passion for brass bands, especially the Academy.

# Academy Update by Vickie Ward

9 July saw both the Woolston Junior and Concert Brass bands playing in the Piano to a good crowd of children for the KidsFest holiday programme. With Jill away, Nick took the bands playing a varied program that included popular TV show themes like Sponge Bob, Flintstones, Little Einsteins. The program was well received by the audience. Our performance ended with a member of the audience conducting a march, this is always a highlight for both the bands and the audience. After the concert, there was the opportunity for youngsters to have a go at playing the various brass instruments of the bands. There were lots of great sounds being made!

On Saturday 26 August WJB and WCB players competing against each other in the Woolston Slow Melody contest. Phil Johnston was the judge, providing excellent feedback to everyone going on to compete in the CPBBA solo contest on September 10. There was a spectacular turnout of academy players competing which is excellent to see and hear. The additional performance opportunities to perform as a soloist are an excellent way to learn to control those nerves that can get to us all sometimes. All academy players should take advantage of these Woolston solo contests to put themselves out there. Congratulations to everyone on their performances and in particular to the winners Kate Sanders - WCB and Luca Cable - WBA.

Next up was the CPBBA solo and party contest, held over the weekend of 9 and 10 of September as St Margaret's College. Saturday 11 bands competed with Woolston Junior Brass competing early in the morning against the D grade bands. Byron Newton, an ex-Woolston player himself, was the music judge and John McGough was judging the entertainment section of the contest. Both judges had constructive remarks about the band's performance. The band played well and enjoyed themselves even playing the three "serious" items a hymn, test and march. Well done WJB!!

Woolston Concert Brass competed in the C grade. There are no other C grade bands in Canterbury at present, this however does not detract from the effort and performance. The challenge is to play to the best of their ability and impress the judges with the skills on display. WCB had fun on stage and did a great job entertaining the audience at the Charles Luney Auditorium.

The following day, again at St Margaret's College, was the CPBBA solo and ensemble contest. A great showing for WCB and WJB players with excellent results for many of our players. Congratulations to Martin Bennett for winning the C/D Slow Melody, Other and Overall title.

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Under 15 Other 1st Hazel Wilson (WCB)

Under 17 Slow Melody 1st Abby Wilson (WCB)

Under 17 Other 1st Zac Powell (WCB)

### Woolston Brass & Academy Slow Melody Solo Competition

Woolston Brass and Woolston Brass Academy held their annual Slow Melody Competition on Saturday 26 August at Orange Studios. Well done to all competitors who performed and congratulations to the following who gained placings;

#### **Woolston Junior Band:**

1st Luca Cable (Theme from New World Symphony) 2nd Maddie Iro (Purple Shade) 3rd Brendan Lancaster (I Dreamed a Dream)

#### Woolston Concert Brass:

1st Kate Sanders (Stardust) 2nd Zac Powell (Share my Yoke) 3rd Jean-Luc Pithcaithly (2nd mvt Haydn Trumpet Concerto)

#### Woolston Brass:

1st Anthony Smith (Swedish Hymn) 2nd Nigel Waites (Shepherd's Song) 3rd Georgia Hoy (Pastorale)

Thank you to all tutors/mentors, accompanists, Coordinators Todd Turner/Vickie Ward/Caroline Blackmore, Supervisor Stephen Leader and Adjudicator Phil Johnston. Thank you to the team at Orange Studios for providing the great venue and to everyone who came along to support the performers including parents, family and fellow band colleagues.

### FULL RESULTS

### **Woolston Junior Band:**

Brendan Lancaster	I Dreamed a Dream (Claude-Michel Schonberg)	62			
Maddie Iro	Purple Shade (Peter Meechan)	63			
Elliott Perrett	Blowing in the Wind (Bob Dylan)	60			
Luca Cable	Theme from New World Symphony (Dvorak)	65			
Hannah Watson	Land of Our Fathers (James James)	61			
Woolston Concert Brass:					
Martin Bennett	Alice Where art Thou? (Ascher)	76			
Kate Sanders	Stardust (Hoagy Carmichael)	89			
Graeme Bremner	Ballade (John Holland)	82			
Vickie Ward	Over the Rainbow (Alern & Harburg)	82			
Janet Powell	Oh Promise Me (Reginald De Koven)	74			
William Ward	Aria	75			

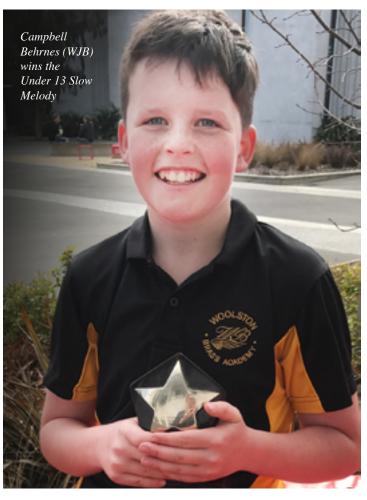
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William Ward	Aria	75
Zac Powell	Share My Yoke (Joy Webb)	86
Jean-Luc Pitcaithly	2nd Movement Trumpet Concerto (Haydn)	85
Jasmine Ward	Children's Song	83
Woolston Brass:	Shanhard's Song (Folk Song orr Frie Wilson)	0.4

Nigel Waites	Shepherd's Song (Folk Song arr. Eric Wilson)	94
Georgia Hoy	Pastorale (Goff Richards)	92
Anthony Smith	Swedish Hymn (Peter Graham)	98

Music Interlude while adjudicator collated points Jasmine Ward Soldiers March (Snare Drum)

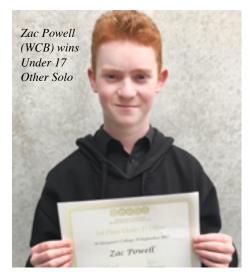








Flashback of the three fine players pictured below at the CPBBA Solo Competition a few years ago!





Anthony Smith wins WB Slow Melody



Luca Cable wins WJB Slow Melody



Nigel Waites 2nd place WB Slow Melody



Brendan Lancaster 3rd place WJB Slow Melody



Maddie Iro 2nd place WJB Slow Melody



Kate Sanders wins WCB Slow Melody

# Introducing

George Temu Marsters born in the early hours of Saturday 3rd June 2017 in the comfort of home in an all naturale birth, weighing 7 and a half pounds (7p 8oz/3.52kg). George is growing at a healthy and rapid rate and is showing good signs of having feet just like his dad! George is well prepared for any future brass band concerts with his most recent purchase of baby ear muffs (pictured).





Tyme, Abbie, Ella and George Marsters





# Patron Partners

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(selected at the AGM 20 September 2017)

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