

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

New Zealand Brass Band Championships, Blenheim, 11-15 July



The Friday night of contest Woolston Brass put on a great performance of *The Path to Peace* (Sacred Item) and *The 39th Parallel* (Test Selection) and the Saturday night of contest performed the impressive *Perihelion: Closer to the Sun* (Own Choice). Two evenings of fantastic music conducted by MD Tyme Marsters!

Victory was so close! Woolston Brass came 2nd overall in the A Grade by only half a point! Congratulations to the band and their MD Tyme Marsters for winning the Test Selection, gaining 2nd place in the Sacred Item and 2nd place in the Own Choice. Well done to the overall winners Wellington Brass and Eastern Bay of Plenty for gaining 3rd place. The Bass Team consisting of Phil Johnston, Nigel Seaton, Sam Pinder and Matthew Toomata took out the Best Section Shield for the Test Selection.

Great results in the Street March for Woolston Brass, the band gained 1st place in the A Grade playing *Ravenswood* and Todd Turner gained Champion Drum Major!

It was a big week for Woolston Brass and Woolston Concert Brass consisting of solo, ensemble, and band events plus several hours of rehearsal over eight weeks. Congratulations to all players, accompanists Jill Pears and Jean White, tutors, Music Directors Tyme Marsters and Nick Johnson, Contest organisers and helpers including Graeme Bremner, Gary Pinker, Kevin Sisson, Wayne Shears, Vickie Ward, Committee Members and all the Band Mums and Dads, plus our support crew in the audience and viewing via the live stream. Thank you also to the funding organisations who made it possible for both bands to attend Nationals this year and the Blenheim Contest organising committee for putting on a fabulous week of events.



Todd Turner
Champion Drum Major



Kevin Hickman 2nd place
Open Flugel Horn



Phillip Johnston 1st Place Open Eb Bass
(Phil with his accompanist Jill Pears also
competed at the Champion of Champions



Tom Oldham 3rd place
Junior Tenor Horn



Anthony Smith
3rd place Championship Cornet



Tyme Marsters competed in the Champion of Champions event after
winning the Open Flugel Horn. Tyme also performed accompanied
by Jean White in The Riki McDonnell Invitation Slow Melody on the
Wednesday evening of contest (pictured).



Euphonium/Baritone Team (Georgia Hoy, Vince Pheloung, Steve Miles & Steve Griffin) 2nd place Open Ensemble A (3-5 players)



*Woolston Brass Trombone Team (Rob Lobker, Dale Vail and Tony Garing)
1st place Open Ensemble C (Trombones)*



Woolston Brass Percussion Team (Todd Turner, Robert Petch, Stu MacFarlane & Jeremy Thin) 1st place Percussion Ensemble



Congratulations to Woolston Concert Brass for gaining 2nd place overall in the C Grade! WCB with their MD Nick Johnson won the Own Choice performing 'Oregon', 2nd place in the Sacred Item performing 'The Lord bless you and keep you' and 4th place in the Test Selection performing 'A Theme Fading'. Good work WCB!



Jasmine Ward and Jacob Hickman (Woolston Concert Brass) 2nd place Percussion Ensemble (they had to compete against the percussionists from Woolston Brass and were only two points behind!)



Jasmine Ward 1st place Junior Percussion Solo (Jasmine also competed in the Junior Champion of Champions)



*Congratulations to proud parents **Anthony and Helen Smith** and big brother Doug who welcomed baby **Franklin Peter Smith** on Wednesday 11th July weighing a healthy 3.9kgs. Franklin was born just in time for the National Contest making his Dad (and Woolston Brass) very happy as Anthony was to still able to compete. Thank you Helen for letting Anthony join the mighty Solo Cornet team in Blenheim!*



Hazel Wilson (Tenor Horn, Woolston Concert Brass) 3rd place Under 15 Group 2 - Other Instruments



Amelie MacKay (Woolston Concert Brass) 3rd place Under 15 Cornet Solo and 3rd place C Grade Drum Major



Jean-Luc Pitcaithly (Woolston Concert Brass) 3rd place Junior Cornet



Drew Wood 1st place Junior BBb Bass Solo (Drew also competed in the Junior Champion of Champions)



Jacob Hickman
1st place Under 15 Percussion Solo Photo

My First National Contest

By Jacob Hickman

After spending years going to national contests and listening to Mum and Dad, I was finally able to actually play for myself this year. In January I got the chance to play in Concert Brass after four years of playing in Junior Band. It has been a real challenge but it was really fun playing with Concert Brass on percussion.

I would highly recommend the CheryLea Motel if you are ever staying in Blenheim because it's pretty nice. Most of Concert Brass stayed there and it was cool because there was some grass out the front to play football and Sky for watching the Football World Cup. It had a very cold pool which I jumped into - mistake!

In the percussion solos you have to do three different types of percussion. I did marimba, timpani and snare drum and I won the Under 15 Percussion solo. Even though it was only me in my section I felt really happy to have been in my first national solo.

It was nice getting to know all the other people in Concert Brass. Even though most of them were older than me they were cool to hang out with. I'm looking forward to my next National Contest.

Thanks to Nick for conducting, and Todd for helping to make sure Woolston have all the percussion equipment we need.



Dinner at Biddy Kates Irish Bar "The Contest Local"



Drinks at Biddy Kates Irish Bar



Sylvia Vail from Woolston Brass celebrating her 21st Birthday in Blenheim after the band results



Woolston Concert Brass with the Champion Own Choice Shield



Seriously Brass Concert

All three bands showcased their talent at the Seriously Brass Concert held at the Celebration Events Centre 3pm-5pm. It was a great opportunity for Woolston Concert Brass and Woolston Brass to perform their contest repertoire before travelling to Blenheim to compete the National Brass Brass Championships. This was Sarah Hickman's first official performance with the Woolston Junior Band as Music Director, they provided some entertainment in each half as light relief among the heavier test pieces and featured soloists Campbell Behrnes and Brendan Lancaster performing *Another Day*.



To celebrate New Zealand Music Month Woolston Brass presented **Vita Destructa** on Sunday 6 May, 3pm at Christchurch Boys' High School. The concert showcased established and emerging New Zealand Composers and talented musicians including Kiwi Euphonium Soloist Buzz Newton who impressed the audience with Matthew Hall's *Kiwi Dragon* and Kenneth Young's *Reverie*.

Woolston Brass performed major work *Vita Destructa* written by emerging New Zealand composer Todd Smith as well works of Dale Vail *Episode for Brass Band* and *Solitario*. The programme included works by iconic New Zealand Composers Anthony Ritchie, Kenneth Young, the late Professor John Ritchie and Dean Goffin.

Thank you to ABI Music and Guest Soloist Buzz Newton for supporting this concert.

KidsFest Academy Concert – Big Brass Bang!

The Woolston Brass Academy put on a great show for KidsFest at their annual 'Big Brass Bang' Concert on Sunday 8 July at The Piano. Both Woolston Junior Band and Woolston Concert Brass had children and parents bopping in their seats and clapping along to their performances. Also great to see several inspired children trying an instrument in the foyer after the concert. Great work Academy!



Virtuoso Brass Solo Competition

On Saturday 30 June at The Chamber Room at The Piano, 9am – 1pm we held the annual Virtuoso Brass Solo Competition Woolston Brass and Academy that featured soloists competing at the National Championships.

Well done and congratulations to everyone who performed, fantastic number of solo entries (28 in total) and the standard was outstanding! Thank you to Adjudicator John Lewis, Supervisor Stephen Leader, Accompanists Jill Pears and Jean White, Tutors/Mentors, Coordinators Raynor Martin, Caroline Turner, Todd Turner, Vickie Ward and Tyme Marsters.

Woolston Brass Results

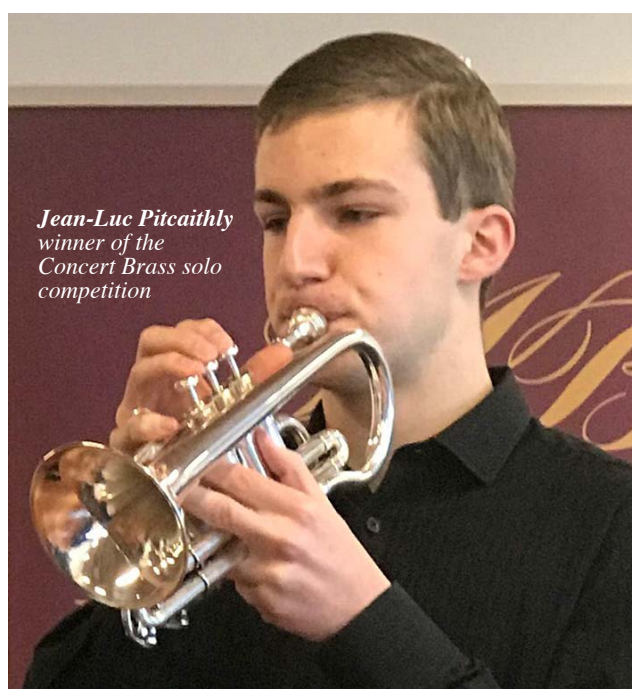
Kevin Hickman (Flugel Horn) - <i>Moon Song, Sun Dance</i>	90	3rd
Sam Pinder (Bb Bass) - <i>Introduction and Allegro Spiritoso</i>	85	
Tyme Marsters (Flugel Horn) - <i>Moon Song, Sun Dance</i>	91	2nd
Tom Oldham (Tenor Horn) - <i>The Beautiful American</i>	86	
Raynor Martin (Cornet) - <i>Jubilance</i>	88	
Drew Wood (Bb Bass) - <i>Introduction and Allegro Spiritoso</i>	84	
Peter Gallaher (Cornet) - <i>Napoli</i>	83	
Anthony Smith (Cornet) - <i>Jubilance</i>	88.5	
Tania MacKay (Tenor Horn) - <i>Masquerade</i>	88	
Brent Hoy (Soprano) - <i>Variations on a Welsh Theme</i>	89	
Dale Vail (Trombone) - <i>Piece Concertante</i>	92	1st
Woolston Brass Winner: Dale Vail		

Woolston Concert Brass Results

Jacob Hickman (Snare Drum) - <i>Ronaldo's March</i>	88	
Amelie MacKay (Cornet) - <i>Wiederkehr</i>	88	
Hazel Wilson (Tenor Horn) - <i>Rhapsody for Eb Soprano Cornet</i>	92	2nd
Janet Powell (Baritone) - <i>An Irish Melody</i>	85	
Peter Thorby (Cornet) - <i>Air Varie</i>	90	
Vickie Ward (Cornet) - <i>The Ash Grove</i>	91	3rd
Jean-Luc Pitcaithly (Cornet) - <i>Wiederkehr</i>	93	1st
Woolston Concert Brass Winner: Jean-Luc Pitcaithly		

Woolston Junior Band Results

Jack Templeton (Trombone) - <i>Sawmill Creek</i>	65	
Hannah Watson (Cornet) - <i>Say 'goodbye'</i>	67	
Luca Cable (Cornet) - <i>Rondo Olympia</i>	75	1st
Brendan Lancaster (Trombone) - <i>Rondo Olympia</i>	74	2nd
Harry Addison (Trumpet) - <i>Vega</i>	73	3rd
David Templeton (Trumpet) - <i>Tap Dance</i>	68	
Elliot Perrett (Cornet) - <i>Play</i>	70	
Darrel Lancaster (Eb Bass) - <i>Minuet from Suite in F Major</i>	71	
Emma Shore (Cornet) - <i>Skye Boat Song</i>	68	
Elizabeth Shore (Glockenspiel) - <i>Morning Song and March</i>	69	
Woolston Junior Band Winner: Luca Cable		



Patron Partnership Programme Launch

On Thursday 3 May at Sixty6 we held our Patron Celebration event launching the 2018/2019 Patron Partnership Programme where we welcomed new and renewing Patrons. The theme of the evening was 'Family' where compere Caroline Turner highlighted the many family connections throughout the whole organisation. For this type of event, this was the first time we showcased the whole Woolston Family; Woolston Junior Band (MD Jill Pears), Woolston Concert Brass (MD Nick Johnson) and Woolston Brass (MD Tyme Marsters). Guests enjoyed the sounds of a Woolston Brass quintet upon arrival while drinks and canapes were served. Speeches were made by Marketing & Sponsorship Manager Caroline Turner, Band Patron Dame Adrienne Stewart and President Gary Pinker all expressing their proud association with Woolston and passion for ensuring the organisation thrives now and in the future. Patrons and Guests were treated to an evening of entertainment, each band performed a musical bracket highlighting the depth of talent within their respective group and the following soloists were featured; Elizabeth Shore (WJB – Glockenspiel in *English Country Gardens*), Kate Sanders (WCB – Flugel Horn in *The Essential Elton John*) and Abbie Wilson (WCB – Solo Cornet in *The Essential Elton John*), Kevin Hickman (WB - Flugel Horn in *Magh Seola*), Anthony Smith (WB – Cornet in *El Cumbanchero*) and Steve Griffin (WB – Euphonium in *Po Karekare Ana*).

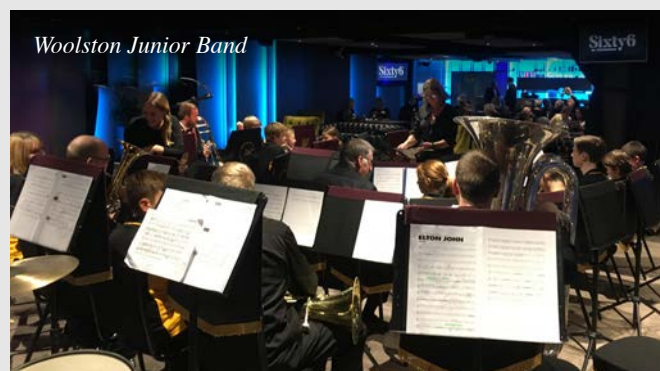
This was Jill Pears' final performance with the Woolston Junior Band, after 11 years Jill has handed the baton over to Sarah Hickman. Jill has been an inspiration to the Junior Band, her dedication, experience and friendly manner has been invaluable to the young and adult players whom many have progressed to Woolston Concert Brass during her tenure. On behalf of the organisation, President Gary Pinker acknowledged Jill Pears' service and Todd Turner also presented Jill a plaque at her final Junior Band rehearsal to acknowledge her outstanding service to the Woolston organisation as Music Director of the Junior Band since 2007.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the success of this Patron event including former and current Patrons, Guests, Patron Partner Christchurch Casino, Todd Turner, Dame Adrienne Stewart, Maree Inwood, Gary Pinker, Music Directors, Players, Life Members, Management Committee, Johnstone Jones Design and Phoenix PDP. Currently 26 out of 33 Woolston Brass players are generously sponsored by our Patron Partners, without their support the organisation would not be sustainable nor would the organisation be able to undertake its yearly musical activities and excellence. We would like to sincerely thank all of our Patrons for their generous support and warmly welcome you to the Woolston Family.

If you are interested in sponsoring a seat as part of the 2018/2019 Patron Partnership Programme, please contact Caroline Turner caroline@woolstonbrass.org or phone 021 533 466.

2018/2019 Patron Partners

Music Director	Available (\$5,000 per year)
Principal Cornet	Dame Adrienne Stewart
Solo Cornet 1	Sara Daly
Solo Cornet 2	Henshaw Developments Trust
Solo Cornet 3	Deloitte Christchurch
Solo Cornet 4	Available (\$2,000 per year)
Soprano Cornet	The Whistlers Syndicate
Repiano Cornet	Annette Foster
Second Cornet 1	Available (\$2,000 per year)
Second Cornet 2	Philippa Bates
Third Cornet 1	The Elizabeth Ball Charitable Trust
Third Cornet 2	J Ballantyne & Co
Flugel Horn	Ann Woodham
Principal Tenor Horn	Quality Property Management
First Tenor Horn	David & Hilary Stock
Second Tenor Horn 1	Christmas Hut / Melissa Benge/ Available Syndicate Member (\$660 per year)
Second Tenor Horn 2	Christchurch Casino
Principal Baritone	Leighton & Carmel Brown
Second Baritone	A R Collett Family Trust
Principal Euphonium	Available (\$3,000 per year)
Second Euphonium	Leighton & Carmel Brown
Principal Trombone	J Ballantyne & Co
Second Trombone	Barrie & Valerie Hoy
Bass Trombone	Tony Lewis / Richard Hogarth
Principal Eflat Bass	Available (\$3,000 per year)
Second Eflat Bass 1	Archibald Motors
Second Eflat Bass 2	Lisa & Martin Bennett
Principal Bflat Bass	The Elizabeth Ball Charitable Trust
Second Bflat Bass	Available (\$2,000 per year)
Principal Percussion	Robin and Ralph Redpath
Percussion 1	Patricia & Gilbert Glausiuss
Percussion 2	Available (\$2,000 per year)
Percussion 3	Anonymous



Band Patron Dame Adrienne Stewart addressing the guests



Caroline Turner interviewing Campbell Behrnes

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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), Homeland

(Euphonium soloist Matt van Emmerik), Kiwi Dragon (Euphonium soloist Byron Newton), Christmas at the Cathedral, So Far So Good.

If you would like a hard-copy CD (\$20), please email caroline@woolstonbrass.org to arrange payment options and postage.

New CDs available for purchase

- *Aurora*
- *Christmas at the Cathedral*
- *Spring Fever*
- *Seriously Brass 2009*



Upcoming Events

Saturday 15 September: CPBBA Band Contest, Middleton Grange School

Sunday 16 September: CPBBA Solo/Duet/Ensemble Contest, St Margaret's College

Saturday 6 October: Oktoberfest, 7pm-10pm, Pedal Pushers Rolleston

Saturday 13 October: Oktoberfest (evening), The Lincoln Laboratory

Sunday 14 October: Heritage Concert, Ferrymead Heritage Park

Sunday 28 October: Woolston Concert Brass Concert, 3pm, The Piano

Sunday 11 November: Woolston Brass Armistice Day Commemorative Peace Concert (in conjunction with Music Canterbury), Air Force Museum

Sunday 25 November: Learners Group Recital, Orange Studio

Sunday 9 December: Woolston Family Christmas Concert, 3pm-5pm, Christchurch Boys' High School Auditorium

Please do not hesitate to contact Caroline Turner caroline@woolstonbrass.org if you have any questions.



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- Donate to Woolston Brass Academy
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Woolston Concert Brass National Representation

2019 National Youth Brass Band – Drew Wood and Jasmine Ward

2018 National Secondary Schools Brass Band – Jean-Luc Pitcaithly, Amelie MacKay, Hazel Wilson, Jasmine Ward

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