



# Silverwood Band

Teesside's Longest Established Wind Band

## Welcome

Welcome to the latest edition of the band Newsletter. We are in the throws of a busy summer banding season and have had some fantastic concerts so far with plenty more to come.

I would like to thank you all for your continued support and hope that you will continue to support us over the coming concert season.

Anne-Marie, Chairman

## Concert at the Stockton Tabernacle

We had a very successful concert at the Stockton Tabernacle. The audience were entertained by the band which played a wide range of music from Glenn Miller to Songs from the Shows and much more. We had the very talented singer and trumpet player Charlotte Potter singing a number of pieces accompanied by the band.



Charlotte is off to Cheethams college of music in September so sadly this was the last opportunity for Charlotte to sing with

the band. Charlotte's last piece that she sang with the band was quite aptly chosen for her to perform, it was of course "I Dreamed a Dream" from Les Miserables, which ironically was the first piece she sang with the band. We all wish her every success for her future and Charlotte, just remember us when you are famous!

At the concert the band were also joined by the Stockton Tabernacle Boys Brigade Corps of Drums who displayed their talents.



The concert was a great success and we raised just over £500 to help towards the running costs of the band, no doubt Stuart will have his eye on new music!!



## #silverwoodontour



As reported in the last issue, the band are out and about on tour again in the Lake District this summer.

If you fancy a day or two away, there is no better way to spend it than sitting in the sun in beautiful scenic surroundings listening to live music, so get yourself along.

If you visit the band website [www.silverwoodband.org](http://www.silverwoodband.org), in the News section (under About the Band) there is a short video, pulled together by our very own Alan Widdrington showing the fun we have in the lakes.

*Silverwood on Tour*  
*Performing Live At:*  
*The Mary Mount Hotel*  
*On Saturday 2nd September*  
*from 3pm - 5pm*  
*And*  
*The Coledale Inn*  
*On Sunday 3rd September*  
*From 2pm - 4pm*



## Members' Profiles with a difference

This edition, we have decided that rather than feature a member of the band, we would do a article about band members husbands/partners etc that join in the fun.

Since Stuart had his operation last year, he has been concentraing on the music side of things and we have been looking for others to help with the comparing at concerts.

Alan Widdrington, Trombone Player, has been providing a lot of fascinating facts about the music in the concert programmes at the majority of our concerts.

One sunny Sunday afternoon in Saltburn, Alan was not available to attend our concert so Bruce Gaswell, husband of our flute/piccolo player Gabby, was roped in to compare the concert. Bruce did his homework and provided very informative facts and introductions to the pieces of music, he even dressend up in the band tie and hat for the occasion (pictured below).



We also have a number of other spouse supporters in the band, Ben Lambert, Alison's husband, who regularly provides fantastic photos/video's of the band and uploads these to the friends of the Silverwood Band's facebook page.

We also have Ian Sharpe, Sam's husband who assists with the lifting and shifting of gear and also helps with manning the doors at concert venues and also regularly ends up manning the "Friends Stall" at our concerts.

At our recent concert in Saltburn the band where playing on a very hot sunny day, Ian wandered off to the shop to get lots of cold water for band members, thanks Ian, much appreciated.

A massive thanks to all who help the band and we really do appreciate the effort you all put in to support the band.

## Contacts and Committee

The management committee of the band:

- Chairman : Anne-Marie Billington
- Vice Chairman : Alison Lambert
- Secretary : Jean Neale
- Minutes Secretary: Gabby Caswell
- Treasurer: Gary Douglas

Committee Members:

- Karen Lindsay
- Margo Waites
- Sarah Harkess

## Fascinating Fact



## Concert Dates

Here's the line-up so far for this year's concerts:

- 2nd September – The Mary Mount Hotel, Keswick, 3.00pm – 5.00pm
- 3rd September – The Coledale Inn, Braithwaite, 2.00pm – 4.00pm
- 17th September – Saltburn Bandstand, 2.30pm – 4.00pm
- 8th December – St Bernadette's Church, Nunthorpe, 7.30pm–9.30pm
- 14th December – The Avenue Shops, Nunthorpe, 6.30pm – 7.15pm
- 17th December – Stokesley, Time to be confirmed.

The concert list evolves throughout the year and we have a couple of irons in the fire for further events, the up-to-date list is always on [www.silverwoodband.org.uk](http://www.silverwoodband.org.uk), so please keep an eye out.

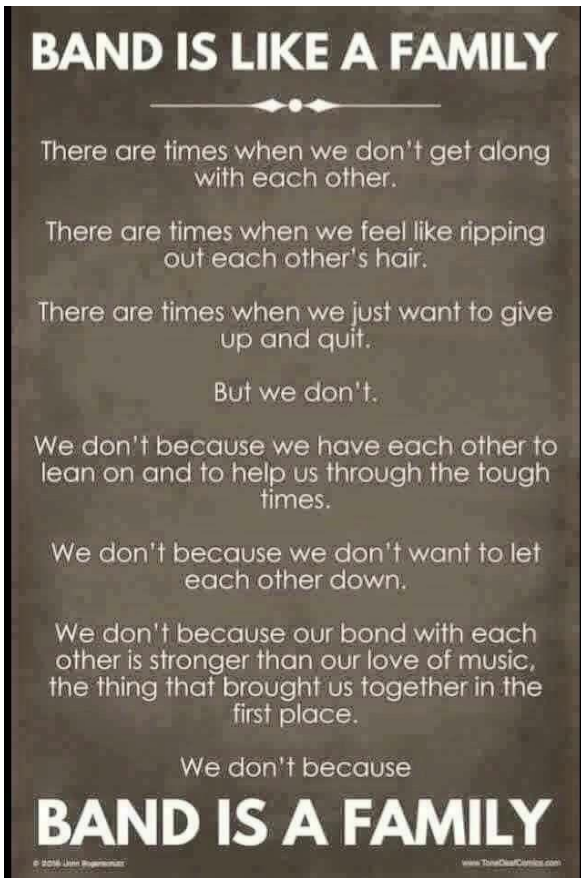
## Congratulations Alex

One of the bands cornet players Alex Evans has recently passed his Grade 7 piano exam with distinction, Well done Alex, Fantastic Achievement.



## Band Banter

Our Musical Director, Stuart Shields posted this on the members Facebook page recently...How true this is!!!



## Sad News to Report

The Silverwood band have played on the bandstand at Saltburn for many years, we actually played in the spot where the bandstand is now located, even before the bandstand was built. Jackie Taylor, a Saltburn resident who carried out a lot of community work around Saltburn was leader of the campaign to get a bandstand for all to enjoy. It is with great sadness that we recently heard that Jackie had passed away.

On our concert at the bandstand on the 17th September we will be playing a piece of music dedicated to Jackie.

## Music Mania

We are constantly trying to refresh our music library and we love to hear from our audiences about what music they like, what they would like to hear us play etc. We are in the process of developing an online survey for listeners to complete to let us know their views on what we play and what they would like us to play...Watch this space for further information.

## Facebook

We're on Facebook.

Have a look, like our page:

"The Silverwood Band"

We also have a "Friends of the Silverwood Band" page where information is shared.

We are also on twitter and have a band "twit" who regularly updates this so follow us at:

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## Next Edition

The next edition of this newsletter is planned for December 2017.

