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April 2012

FUTURE CONCERTS

Sat 2nd or Sun 3rd June Diss Jubilee Celebrations Monday 4th June Ditchingham Hall 1-4pm

Saturday 16th June Proms in the Park - Diss Bandstand

Saturday 23rd June Brooke Village Hall fundraising Concert 7pm

Sunday 8th July 'Discover South Norfolk' 11am - 4pm Long Stratton

Time TBC - approx. 1 hour

Sunday 13th July South Elmham Church (evening - time TBC)

Saturday 22nd September Songs from the Shows (Time TBC) Friday 29th November South Norfolk Council Carol Concert

Sunday 23rd December Christmas Concert Corn Hall

FRAMLINGHAM WEEKEND AND ROYAL MARINES CONCERT CD'S ON SALE

CD's from the Framlingham Concert, and the Royal Marines Concert in January are now on sale price £8

FRAMLINGHAM WEEKEND AND CONCERT

The Framlingham weekend this year was a really fantastic event. We were able to host musicians from both the Band of the Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers (REME) and the Band of the Royal Logistics Corps.

We were also joined by Lt Col Bob Meldrum MBE, the Army's principal director of music, who conducted one of the pieces, but also sprang a surprise on Mike Booty, wishing him a very happy 70^{th} birthday. A very personal tribute was read out from Stephen Green of the Royal Marines who could not be with us.

To mark the special birthday event, all former SNYSB band members who have since joined the Army or Royal Marines band were invited to attend and play.

We also had the opportunity to meet several of the German musicians who will accompany us to Malaysia, who were great musicians, and will soon become great friends.

The weekend of rehearsing was hard work but enormously satisfying, including a marching demonstration by the Army musicians, and our own SNYSB band members had an opportunity to try their hand at playing and marching, proving that it's harder than it looks!!!

MOUNTBATTEN FESTIVAL OF MUSIC

A party of 50 from SNYSB was lucky enough to travel down to the Royal Albert Hall as quests of the Royal Marines Band to attend this fabulous concert. It was great for us to be

able to watch and listen to a most professional band in action, playing music of the highest standard - one of the most disciplined bands in the world. A truly memorable event.

MALAYSIA 2012

Many of the details for the Malaysia trip have been firming up, and lots of exciting events are being planned. We will be playing for the Malaysian Prime Minister, not only in the 3500 seater Borneo Convention Centre for our largest concert, but also at his residence for the Malaysian Festival of Hari Raya. We will be carrying out workshops and concerts in schools in the centres of Kota Kinabalu and Kuching. Trips will include a visit to the Orang Utans in the National Park, and a visit to the Sarawak longhouses in Kuching.

Our Malaysian hosts have a Facebook page devoted to our trip; follow the link below to access the page. There are several pictures and videos - do visit the page. http://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/UK-Band-2012/415935458421371

LATEST BONUS BALL WINNERS:

31 st March	Week 35	Samuel Carter
7 th April	Week 36	Bridget Santander
14 th April	Week 37	Mandy White
21 st April	Week 38	Malcolm Birchall

CONGRATULATIONS - a fantastic month for achievement

Tom Anderson has passed Grade 1 Trumpet

Delcine Dunsmore has passed Grade 8 Flute with Merit

Chloe Fox has passed Grade 8 Musical Theatre with Distinction, and has been invited to join the National Youth Theatre

Anna Thompson has passed Grade 4 Flute with Distinction Kiome Pope has passed Grade 7 Oboe with Distinction Holly Rednall has passed Grade 3 Clarinet

Well done to everyone!

NEWS ITEMS for the May edition of this newsletter can be written in the news book at Tuesday evening rehearsals or emailed to the secretary at - snysb@smiles.eclipse.co.uk

