

SNYSB NOTES

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FUTURE CONCERTS

Sat/Sun 21st/22nd January Sun 23rd January Sat/Sun 31st March/1st April Sunday 1st April

Royal Marines weekend Concert with the Royal Marines, Diss Corn Hall - 6:30pm start Framlingham College weekend Concert with the REME Band, Framlingham College - time TBC

E-MAIL NOTICES

Two email notices were sent to all the parents and all the band members on our email database. One was a reminder that we need places for the Royal Marines to stay on Saturday 21^{st} January, and the other a fund-raising newsletter. If you are a band member or parent of a band member and did NOT receive the emails, please contact Paul at SNYSB@smiles.eclipse.co.uk to update your details. It is easier to distribute notices by email, and the added advantage is that we can include colour photos to make the newsletters more interesting.

ROYAL MARINES WEEKEND

The annual Royal Marines weekend will be on 21^{st} / 22^{nd} January when we once again welcome the trainee bandmasters and students from The Royal Marines School of Music. This year there will be 24 band members and 4 bandmasters coming so it will be a great event.

Band members should arrive at **The Resource Centre in Diss** at 1:30 pm or soon after to set up and be ready to <u>start rehearsing</u> promptly at 2:00 pm on Saturday 21st January. You will need to be collected at 5:00 pm that evening. On Sunday you should arrive at 9:00 am ready to start rehearsing at 9:15 am. A cooked lunch (vegetarian option available) on the Sunday can be provided at a cost of around £3.00 per head. This must be reserved in advance no later than Tuesday 17th January. Please let Paul or Mandy know your requirements. On the Sunday you will need to bring a packed tea, as there will not be time for you to go home in between the end of rehearsal and the concert, which starts at 6:30pm at the Diss Corn Hall. Full band uniform (long-sleeved shirts, tie and long black skirt for girls) must be worn at the concert on the Sunday, so please remember to bring your band uniform with you to the Sunday rehearsal. If you have any questions please speak to one of the Trustees.

Tickets are now on sale, and you are strongly advised to buy tickets in advance as this concert usually sells out quickly

Raffle and tombola - We would appreciate donations of raffle and tombola prizes for the concert on the Sunday evening. Please bring your contributions in on a Tuesday or on the night of the concert. Janet would also appreciate volunteers to run the tombola on the evening please. Let her know if you can help?

Refreshments - Suzanne Halliwell will be organising the refreshments during the week-end and during the concert. She will need lots of help, so if you are able to provide a plate of sandwiches for the Royal Marines' Sunday tea, serve refreshments during the concert interval or donate cakes or biscuits please let Suzanne know. Any support will be gratefully received.

FRAMLINGHAM WEEKEND

The Framlingham weekend will be a little earlier this year, on 31^{st} March and 1^{st} April. This will be a very special concert, attended by Lt Col Bob Meldrum, the head of ALL the music in all the Army bands, and he will be conducting one the pieces. Make sure that you put the 31^{st} March - 1^{st} April in your diary now for our residential weekend staying at the beautiful Framlingham College in Suffolk, which really is in a most picturesque spot overlooking the lake and Framlingham Castle.

If you are new to the band then this residential week-end is a chance to really get to know fellow band members and to relax together (and work hard!). The week-end of rehearsals, once again this year with the Band of the Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers (REME), will culminate in a joint performance in the auditorium, which is a superb concert, not to be missed. The charges have not been finalised yet, but are likely to be around the same as last year, when there was a charge of £47 for the first playing member of a family and £43 for additional family members to attend this event as all meals and accommodation are provided and we are very well catered for. Further details will be available nearer the time. We will also be joined by members of the German band who will be coming to Malaysia with us, as well as the Malaysia supervisors, so this will be a great chance to meet people and get to know them.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

Subscriptions of £10 per band member and £5 per friend of the band are now overdue and should be paid before the end of January to avoid incurring a surcharge please.

MALAYSIA PAYMENTS

We need £400 each in your Malaysia accounts by the end of January. Please make sure you your accounts are up to date.

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