



Packed Audience at Terrace Proms

During October the band took part in the 'Terrace Proms' in St Georges Terrace, Perth. The event features a wide spectrum of Perth's finest musicians performing 'Classical Concerts in Classical Surroundings' with a series of free outdoor events &

performances in the foyers of Perth's most prestigious buildings. The band previously took part in this event in 1999. This year saw the band give two concerts, the first under the baton of Captain Peter O'Connor, of the Australian Army Band, was held in the foyer of SGIO whose architecture provided a natural sound shell projecting the sound of the band along the length of the Terrace & the second, conducted by resident Musical Director, Dr Alan Lourens in the foyer of the 'Central Park' building again with very 'live' acoustics. Both concerts were extremely well appreciated by the big audiences with the band called upon to give an impromptu encore to the standing room only audience at the Central Park venue.



Horns take a breather

The bands current principal Tenor Horn player Tem Pepere has decided to take a year off from the band due to family commitments. The horn section could be further depleted if 2nd Horn player Christine Scarry takes up a position she previously held with P&O Cruises in the New Year. Current 1st Horn player Sarah Ross will slip into the principals seat. Sarah recently took part in the WABA Solo Competition & won the WA Champion of Champions playoff. She will therefore represent WA in the Ern Keller Solo competition held by the St Mary's Band in NSW in February 2003. Also taking a breather is long serving member Pete Garnaut who has recently retired from the Education Department & plans to tour around Australia next year. His seat is filled by Paul De Cinque.

Demo CD

The band has recently completed production of a Sampler CD to be made available for prospective clients. The CD showcases a wide spectrum of the styles of music in the band's repertoire & the musical segments are linked by a voice-over, for which we were fortunate in obtaining the services of the ABC's Ted Bull.

Forthcoming Events

- 1 Dec - Midvale Primary School, Morrison Rd, Midvale - 6.30pm
- 7 Dec - Channel 7 Christmas Pageant - 6.30pm
- 8 Dec - Carols by Candlelight – Len Shearer Reserve, Booragoon - 6.30pm
- 15 Dec - Christmas Pageant – Stirk Park Kalamunda - 6.15pm
- 9 Feb - Sundays at Subi, J.H.Abrahams Park, Swan River Foreshore – 6.00pm
- 16 Mar - Hymns of Praise. Baptist College - Murdoch Campus - 1.30pm
- 25 April - Anzac Day Parade – Perth - 9.00 am
- 29 June - Old Austria Club, Staniland Rd Maddington – Viennese Brass – 2.30pm
- 5 Oct - Old Austria Club, Staniland Rd Maddington – Oktoberfest – 1.30pm

Player Profiles

Since starting our profiles on the people who make up Midland Brick Brass a number of players have joined & we hope to cover their stories in the next two editions.



David Timlin – 2nd Cornet

David started playing at the age of 10. Originally from Busselton he joined the local band playing with them for 6 years before moving to Perth where he is studying Music at the University of WA & wishes to pursue a career in music performance. He currently plays trumpet with various wind orchestras & ensembles as well as cornet with Midland Brick Brass.

Sara Manners – 2nd Cornet

Sara has recently emigrated from the UK where she was previously playing Soprano Cornet with the Stonesfield Band (near Oxford). She started playing at the age of six with the Kidlington Band & spent a few years as a teenager playing in the National Youth Brass Band of Great Britain. Now, in WA, she hopes to settle south of the river & is working in the Fremantle area for the Activ Foundation as an accommodation supervisor.



Ciar Hassett – 3rd Cornet

Ciar started playing ten years ago, mainly with school bands. Originally from Nenagh, Ireland, Ciar comes from a very musical family, with a brother playing French Horn & a sister & brother on Trumpet. She is currently in her penultimate year studying IT at Curtin University & works part-time at St John of God hospital, Murdoch.

Paul De Cinque - Flugel

Paul is also a student at UWA studying for a degree in Trumpet. He had never known about brass bands until he auditioned for a conducting position with the Melville AFA Band so he thought he should learn a bit more about them! Paul tells us that he is usually the laughing stock of everything he plays in & that Midland Brick Brass looks like it will be no exception. But be assured he is a fine player.



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