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Sandwich Concert Band

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Previous Concerts and Events

Saturday 7th July 2012 at 7.30pm

The Segno Clarinet Ensemble

A Walk in the Park
St. Mary's Art Centre, Sandwich

Martha Trust Wine Tasting, Friday 29th June

The band held a summer concert on Saturday 7th July at St Mary's Arts Centre in Sandwich, entitled 'A Walk in the Park'. The programme included melodies such as *Ladies in Lavender*, *Teddy Bear's Picnic*, *The Flower Duet* and *Birdland*; and was conducted by Ben Preece.



It proved to be a pleasant summer's evening, and during the interval the audience and band were served a delicious and refreshing fruit punch along with a few nibbles.

The acoustics and ambience of St Mary's lends itself very well to a concert of this kind, and if you haven't been to one yet, give it a try!

Kate Robinson

On Friday 29th June the Segno Clarinet Ensemble, consisting of five members of the Sandwich Concert Band, provided an hour and a half of relaxing chamber music at this year's Martha Trust Wine



Tasting. The weather stayed fine and the evening was mild, fortunately so since the event was held outside in the stunning Secret Gardens of Sandwich, which are situated behind The Salutation manor house. We played several pieces suitable for this setting, such as Percy Grainger's *English Country Garden*, the 'Flower Duet' from the opera *Lakmé* and *To a Wild Rose* by Edward MacDowell, as well as favourites including *Swing Low*, *Sweet Chariot*, *Moon River*, *Yesterday* and rags by Scott Joplin. Our playing was well received, with a number of positive comments given to us by guests as they explored the gardens. Several local mosquitoes also came to listen!

The Ensemble played for this event last year and it was a pleasure to return this year. The organisers were friendly and welcoming and afterwards gave us a certificate and a card thanking us for coming to play. The event raised over £3,000 for the Martha Trust, a local charity which provides residential and respite care for people with profound mental and physical disabilities.

Isobel Fray

Photographs from the rehearsal for the July Concert



Forthcoming Events

Autumn Concert

7.30pm on Saturday 17th November 2012
at
St. Nicholas' Church, Ash

Programme will include:

Waltz from 'The Godfather'
Lord of the Rings 'Hobbits'
First Suite in Eb by Gustav Holst
Pirates of the Caribbean
Jurassic Park

Tickets available on the door:
£6 adults/£3 children
(including a glass of wine or orange juice)



Map showing location of St. Nicholas' Church, Ash



Christmas Concert

2.30pm on Sunday 16th December 2012
at
St. Mary's Art Centre, Sandwich

Programme:

Seasonal melodies and carols

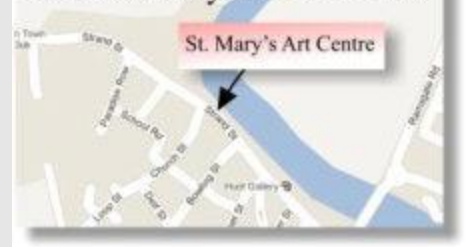
Come along and join us in our annual Christmas Concert.

Tickets available on the door:

£7 adults/£3 children (mulled wine/orange juice and mince pie included)

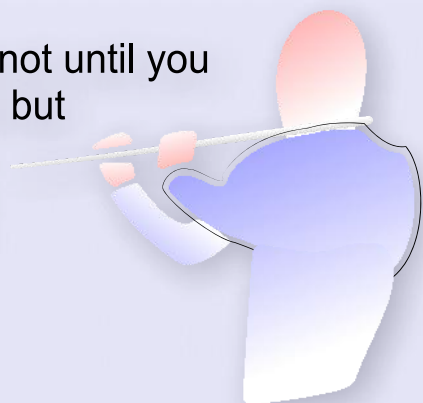


This is where you will find us:



Words of Wisdom - or otherwise!

"Practice not until you get it right but until you can't get it wrong"



Anon

An intellectual snob is someone who can listen to the William Tell Overture and not think of the Lone Ranger

Rather



"It's easy to play any musical instrument: all you have to do is touch the right key at the right time and the instrument will play itself".

Bach

I understand the inventor of the bagpipes was inspired when he saw a man carrying an indignant, asthmatic pig under his arm.



Unfortunately, the manmade sound never equaled the purity of the sound achieved by the pig.

Alfred Hitchcock

Notices

Plea for New Members

Sandwich Concert Band is a Community Band and are always looking for new members who play a wind instrument to join us.

Players of all ages are welcome either to join our Training Band or Concert Band. The former is for young and old up to grade 4 when we encourage them to move to the Concert Band. Don't get put off by the grades. You do not have to have the piece of paper saying what grade you are only to be about that ability on your instrument and have the wish to join a lively and friendly band.

If you are interested; contact any of the members shown below for more information - or turn up at one of our rehearsals and introduce yourself.

Rehearsals

Training Band meets on a Wednesday 6pm - 7pm at the Phoenix Centre, Sandwich

Concert Band meets on a Wednesday 7pm (baton down at 7.15pm) till 9.15pm at the Phoenix Centre, Sandwich

Keeping in touch

We hope to keep you in touch with what SCB are doing but for really up-to-date news please visit our Website:

www.sandwichband.org.uk or find us on Facebook or You Tube

If you have any items or suggestions for inclusion in a newsletter let us know and we will try and include it in our next bulletin (no promises though).

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