



# Skelmersdale Prize Band

SUMMER 2011

## Upcoming Events:

**2nd July:**

Westhead Carnival

**3rd July:**

Walking Day St. James' Poolstock

**17th July:**

St. Teresa's Church, Up-Holland 1-3pm

**21st August:**

Coronation Park, Ormskirk 2-4pm

**4th September:**

Walking Day Southport

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## Vacancies:

We currently have vacancies for the following positions:

Cornets  
Basses

**Thank you for supporting Skelmersdale Prize Band**

## Welcome



Welcome to our summer newsletter! We are enjoying a busy summer season and still have many concerts coming up! We'll keep you up to date with both the senior and youth band's latest news and let you know where we will be performing in the upcoming months.... why not come and listen? Don't forget to check out our website [www.skelmersdaleprizeband.org](http://www.skelmersdaleprizeband.org) for more information.

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## New Members!

The band are pleased to announce the signing of **four** new players! The band welcome **Lewis Sanderson** and **Heather Walton** on solo cornet, **Phil Staples** on percussion and **June Newbigging** on Tenor Horn. The four join us just in time for our busy summer season! The band are pleased to have all four onboard and wish them an enjoyable and successful future with the band. It's great to see new faces and the seats around the band filling!

## Well Done J-P!

In May, bass player Jon-Paul Coulson walked 40 miles from Keswick to Barrow. He completed the walk in an impressive time of 9 hours and 43 minutes. J-P completed the challenging walk to raise money for CICRA (Crohn's in Childhood Research Association) and would like to thank all who supported him.



## Thank you

Mr Derek Halstead kindly sent us a recording of the band playing Lorenzo at a Blackpool contest in April 1966. Mr Halstead was playing trombone with Hebden Bridge Band who also featured on the original recording. After some digging through old contest programmes we found the two bands competed in Section B at the contest. Skem Band played Lorenzo and won with 187points. They were conducted by W. Lyon and Dave Lyon, Danny Kiggins and Peter Gore were playing on the recording. Hebden Bridge, played Les Preludes and came 2nd place with 185points.

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# West Lancashire Youth Brass Band

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

**25th June:**

WLCHS Fun Day

**2nd July:**

Glenburn's 40th Anniversary

**16th July:**

Slow Melody Competition

**23rd July:** Children's Centre (Skem) Fun Day

**The band rehearses from 7:00 to 8:30 every Tuesday.**

Any new players are extremely welcome to come down to rehearsals. Tutors are available to help within rehearsals and also to give free individual tutelage.

**Thank you for supporting West Lancashire Youth Brass Band!**

## May Workshop



During the May half-term, members of the youth band enjoyed a workshop. The band worked very hard rehearsing music for their summer programme.

A lunch break was followed by fun and games including giant draughts and ten-pin bowling. Thank you Sally for making us all a delicious cake! The band look forward to more workshops and days out!

## Summer Concerts

We were invited to play at Hurlston Hall Golf Club for a Royal Wedding themed fundraising event for NSPCC and at a Strawberry Tea Party at St. Richard's Church for the Lathom Park Trust. The band played brilliantly and were given lots of positive and supportive comments at each concert. We'd like to thank the organisers of both events for these kind words and generous donations.



## New Members

We have three new members! Danny, Thomas and Annabelle are all learning to play the cornet and have made an excellent start. We're very pleased to be part of their development as players and hope they all progress to play with the band...watch this space!

## Slow Melody Competition

The youth band hold a Slow Melody Competition annually. This year we will be holding the competition at Glenburn Arts Theatre on Saturday 16th July. As well as members of the youth band, young players from local schools will also be invited. The winners will perform their solos at a gala concert featuring Skelmersdale Prize Band and West Lancashire Youth Brass Band. For more information or to enter please contact Ellen; [skelmersdaleprizeband@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:skelmersdaleprizeband@hotmail.co.uk)