

The Aveley and Newham Brass Band

Newsletter



Welcome to the September edition of the band's newsletter.

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Aveley & Newham End Fourteen Year MD Partnership

The Aveley & Newham Band have parted company with Musical Director Nigel Taken. Nigel's tenure with the band saw him become one of the longest serving conductors of a top ranked band having been appointed fourteen years ago. During this time he took the Aveley & Newham Band to three regional contest victories and the band appeared at the National Finals ten times during his reign. Nigel also led the band to victories in the Grand Shield in 2006 and the Yeovil Entertainment Contests. The band were also awarded a prize at the Butlins' Entertainment contest and achieved second place at the French Open contest. Whilst under his leadership the band appeared every year at the All England International Masters contest, something which no other band has achieved.



The band committee has stated: "In ending our association with Nigel Taken we would like to recognise the enormous contribution and commitment to the Aveley and Newham Band by Nigel Taken over the past fourteen years. His musicality and band training has been major factor in the past successes of the band and we wish him all the very best for the future."

August 25th 2012 The Aveley and Newham Brass Band perform to 79,100 people at Wembley Stadium as part of the opening ceremony for the Carnegie Rugby League Challenge Cup 2012





It was an early start for the band with the coach leaving the band room at 7.30am. Following two pick ups around the north circular the band arrived at Wembley Stadium and went straight in to a sound check and entry and exit rehearsal on the pitch at Wembley Stadium.

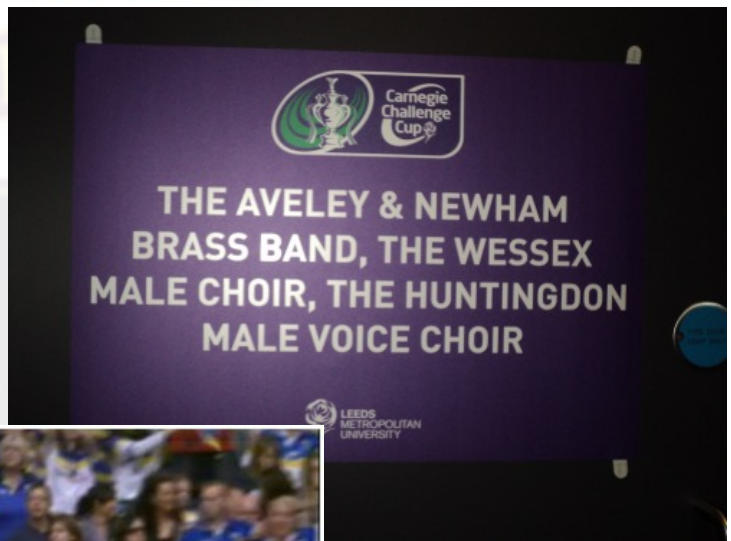


The band then went straight into a rehearsal in the press room with Haydn James the musical director, Laura Wright a famous and accomplished soprano singer the Wessex Male Choir and the Huntindon Male voice choir.

The band went onto the stadium pitch at around 1.55pm and 79,000 people joined them in singing songs which were "Angels", "Delilah", "Shine", and "Hey Jude". The sound of everyone singing in the stadium was phenomenal and the crowd went wild for the Aveley and Newham Brass Band at the end of every song. The band then accompanied Laura Wright for "Abide With Me" and the "National Anthem" before exiting the stadium and watching the exciting game from the terraces. The performance was broadcast to millions watching around the globe.



Laura Wright who sang Abide With Me and The National Anthem accompanied by the Aveley and Newham Brass Band.



You can see videos of the event at
<http://www.aveleyandnewhamband.co.uk/videos.html>



21st / 22nd July 2012 - Band perform at the Newham Show (Olympic Flame) to celebrate the arrival of the Olympic Torch.



The band performed in the Central Park, East Ham as part of the Newham show which incorporated the arrival of the Olympic torch on it's way to the Olympic Stadium. This is the second event that the band has taken part in that has been related to the 2012 Olympics.

The band started off the Newham show by playing on the main stage first thing Saturday morning playing music such as "Olympic Fanfare and Theme", "Fanfare and Flourishes" and "Blenheim Flourishes". Later in the day the band performed on the band stand situated elsewhere in the park.

The band performed on the bandstand again in the afternoon on the Sunday.

Member Leaves Aveley!

One of our members Sarah Beale has left the band due to commitments elsewhere. We would like to thank Sarah for everything she has done for the band and Sarah you are always welcome back at any time.

Players Always Welcome

If you would like to join the Aveley and Newham Brass Band please visit <http://www.aveleyandnewhamband.co.uk/vacancies.html> to download an application form or come along to one of our rehearsals for a blow (please contact the band secretary first - secretary@aveleyandnewhamband.co.uk).

Diary Dates

Event	Date	Time
Scottish Open Contest	24 th November	All Day
Concert at Aylesford	1 st December 2012	3.00pm
Concert with Tilbury Youth Band, King Edmund School, Rochford, Essex	8 th December 2012	Evening
Christmas Carols to Women's Institute, Aveley and Newham Brass Band room.	11 th December	Evening
Joint concert at St Michael's Church, Aveley with St Michael's church choir	15 th December 2012	7.30pm
Orsett Golf Club	16 th and 23 rd December 2012	Evening
Joint concert at Thurrock Civic Hall	21 st December	7.30pm

If members are unable to attend a rehearsal or engagement please
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