

Worcester Concert Brass is a community brass band. Volunteer members play for pleasure and to entertain the public in Worcestershire



Autumn/Winter  
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## NEWSLETTER

For Members and Friends of WCB

# WELCOME

*You have been sent this newsletter in recognition of your support for the band either in the past or more recently. We welcome your feedback and we hope you enjoy this instalment. Once you have finished with it, please pass it on to your friends or get in touch if you know of others who would like to receive it.*

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## GIGS AT A GLANCE

### November

Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> **Late night shopping** Worcester High Street  
6.30-8.30pm  
Thurs 24<sup>th</sup> **Late night shopping** Worcester High Street  
6.30-8.30pm  
**Sat 26<sup>th</sup> Victorian Fayre Worcester Guildhall**  
12-2pm

### December

Thurs 1<sup>st</sup> **Late night shopping** Worcester High Street  
6.30-8.30pm  
Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> **St Peters Tesco Carols**  
12-3pm  
Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> **Late night shopping** Worcester High Street  
6.30-8.30pm  
**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> Mayor's Concert Guildhall Worcester**  
7.30pm  
Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> **Late night shopping** Worcester high street  
6.30-8.30pm  
Sat 17<sup>th</sup> **St Peters Tesco Carols**  
12-3pm  
Sun 18<sup>th</sup> **St Peters Tesco Carols**  
12-3pm  
Tues 20<sup>th</sup> **London Road pubs** Early rehearsal finish  
Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> **Late night shopping** Worcester High Street  
6.30-8.30pm

### Do you know what we did last summer?

Worcester Concert Brass has had a very busy summer as ever. At Malvern, about 200 people brought their picnics on a sunny Sunday afternoon to enjoy the great British Brass Band tradition. What could be better?

Colin Robinson at The Lamb, in West Malvern, invited us to play at his celebration of VE Day. We all enjoyed a wartime meal and entertained the public with traditional band marches and favourite war tunes.

The Worcester CAMRA Beer Festival gig was well received, despite the atrocious weather. We're sure the appeal of liquid refreshment had no influence on player attendance at all!

### FUTURE HIGHLIGHTS

#### Calling all bucketeers!

Volunteers are needed to help swell our carol bucket collections. Please ask friends, relatives and neighbours to come along to Tesco or Thursdays on the High Street!

WCB will be listening to our good friends the Le Vésinet Band at the Worcester Victorian Fayre at the **Guildhall 2.30-3.30pm**. Le Vésinet is twinned with Worcester and we relish the opportunity to support their visits.

#### Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2005

#### Mayor's Annual Charity concert

In aid of

Worcester Volunteer Centre,  
Worcester Eye Unit Trust Fund  
Worcester Appeal for Music and Light

Tickets £6 (£4 concessions) including refreshments.

Raffle prize donations gratefully received.

Any businesses that would like to donate in return for advertising in the programme, please get in touch with the publicity officer. (Details below)

All contributions welcome. Please contact: WCB Publicity Officer  
Alison Hood, 8 Giffard Drive, Welland, Nr Malvern, WORCS WR13 6SE  
Tel: 01684 310011 Email: [info@worcesterconcertbrass.org.uk](mailto:info@worcesterconcertbrass.org.uk)

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### Meet the Band

Quick profile on a member of the band.

**Name:** Alex Dentith

(He's lucky there isn't a photo available!)

**Band role:** Bookings Manager

**Instrument:** Bass

**How long have you been with the band?** 9 years

**Favourite piece of band music:**

Hymn to the fallen & I know thou art mine

**Best banding memory:**

Watching a cornet player I'm far too nice to name, trying to play Christmas carols with the mother of all hangovers!

**Band ambition**

Reunion in 2007 for our 25th anniversary

**Favourite musical joke**

So many sections to take the mick out of, so little space...

**Why do you like playing?**

Nice to be fairly good at something.

**What do you do for a living?**

Bookseller

**Hobbies/Interests/Pets**

Band. Sad huh?

**Pet hates**

I couldn't possibly, they might be reading right now...

I used to hate that I was so apathetic, but now I just can't be bothered any more...

### Tour to twin town of Worcester, Massachusetts, USA 2006 Update

Worcester Concert Brass will be visiting Worcester Polytechnic Institute from Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> October to 1<sup>st</sup> November 2006. Special price to player members is £250 plus help with fundraising to cover the remainder (to be confirmed). As we would like to experience staying with local hosts, the price does not include accommodation but it can be arranged.

Deposit of £5 as confirmation of interest is required by the last Christmas rehearsal.

Anyone who would also like to come as "roadies" are welcome, subject to space. Please ask for more details.

We have over £7000 to raise to support band members who would otherwise be unable to afford the trip. Business sponsorship and friends' support in fundraising is extremely valued. Don't be afraid to get in touch!

### FRIENDS, NEWS AND FUN

Friends of WCB get the opportunity to receive free tickets and invitations to Band social events, in return for a small annual fee and/or volunteer help for the band. Ask for more details!

**Whether a friend, band member or just a fan, introduce yourself here and tell us what you have been up to.**

Let us know of those amusing musical/band anecdotes. Remember if you don't, we might be forced to start *printing* Brian's concert jokes

**Welcome to...**

James Denton on second cornet

**Did you know?**

According to Blue Peter, Toilets are musical; they flush to the note of Eb (sorry horns)

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If you would like to book Worcester Concert Brass, sponsor the Band on tour or find out more, please ask for a Brochure by filling in your details and sending this part to the address overleaf

Name:

Address: