

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Suffolk Concert Band held on
Thursday 3rd September 2015 at Acton Lodge, Needham Market**

Those present were: Simon Pulham (Chairman), Gordon Scopes (Membership Secretary), Heulwen Peters (Trustee), Adrian Budgen (Trustee), Russell Banyard (Concert Manager),

67. Apologies for absence

These were received from Angela Hope (Secretary), Mark Cheadle (Treasurer), Tom Rumbold (Librarian)

68. Adoption of minutes held on Thursday 2nd July 2015

The minutes were adopted with the following correction.

47 iv) The current MD rota will continue until the end of 2016, but its future will be reviewed at the 2016 AGM.

69. Matters arising from meeting held on Thursday 2nd July 2015

Angela has not yet sent the email to members regarding the use of TeamSnap, she will do this just before we return on the 9th.

70. Secretary

Nothing that isn't covered elsewhere.

71. The SCB 50th Anniversary Year

Further venues and times for our celebration year in 2017 were discussed.

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| - Chalfont | March/April time |
| - Derbyshire Hotel and Wind Band Joint Concert | : May/June |
| - St John's Cauldwell Hall Road | : October |
| - Ex Sangamo-Weston Building, Felixstowe | : October (Alternative) |
| - Holy Trinity | : December |

72. The Next 50 Years ...

Committee decided to concentrate on the 50th Anniversary year, before any planning further in the future.

73. SCB at 50 Recording Project

All were pleased with how the recording went. Adrian remarked that Henley is a good place to record.

Action : Adrian to create a CD of 'Johnny Comes Marching Home' for Dorothy Fenelay.

Duke is ok for the tune-up session and an open rehearsal on 27th January 2016. Tom Day is booked to record this.

Charles Hine is finding it difficult for a recording date in April 2016, however we do need a date in April or Early May.

74. MD Rota Management

Action : The committee agreed we should ask for feedback on John Whelton's last session. Angela to organise.

Action : Adrian to ask Charles for any Wednesdays he is not available. This time could then be used as possible audition slots.

Action : Adrian to also ask Charles if he is prepared to conduct Barham Hall 2016. This will help decide when we will hold our May concert.

Action : Gordon to find out the availability of Richard Bassett, his possible MD choice from North Lopham.

Gordon mentioned another possible conductor, Victoria Steinitz, from Boxted Methodist Silver Band

Action : Agenda item for future meetings, Blue Pad discussion for Barham Hall type concerts.

75. Chairman

Simon will organise short individual chats with all band members over the next few weeks to gauge general

band feeling. This will not just be restricted to discussing the MD rota.

76. Treasurer

No report

77. Membership Secretary

Deps booked for 25th September :

Geoff Webb : Bass
Pearl Gibson : Percussion

Action : We are short of clarinets for 25th September, Gordon to ask Mike Vorndran.

It seems Jack Patching would like to come back to the band on Tuba. If true, then committee agreed to have him come after the Bury concert on the usual trial basis.

Two new clarinets will be coming along to rehearsals after next concert.

The Paper Register and Engagement Lists will be run in parallel for the time being.

78. Librarian

Email report from Tom :

Tom to purchase all the "lost (Jonathan Abbott)" music before the meeting and email Mark an invoice.

Tom would like to buy a couple of new pieces for the Christmas concert, up to £150. Committee agreed to this spend in principle, depending on the music chosen.

79. Concert Manager

Nothing to report.

57. Forthcoming Events

- Friday 25th September 2015 – Theatre Royal, Bury St. Edmunds, 7.30pm JW
- Sunday 8th November 2015 – Remembrance Sunday, Shotley Church, 10.30am SP
- Wednesday 9th December 2015 – Holy Trinity, 7.30pm TR
- Wednesday 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th January 2016 - "Tune Up" DD
- Saturday 10th December 2016 – Christmas Concert, Shotley Village Hall, 7.30pm TBC
- Sunday 11th December 2016 – Simon's 60th Birthday, Castle Hill. TBC

**Date of Next Meeting:
Thursday 1st October 2015
Venue – 75 Chatsworth Drive, Ipswich**