



Gosford City Brass Band Inc.
Newsletter
 February 2012

A big welcome to all our new and recent subscribers and thank you to our many loyal fans for your ongoing support. This newsletter is sent out every few months to keep you up to date with our activities, give you news about what's going on within the band and let you know about our upcoming concerts.

New Musical Director for Seniors

We welcome Conrad Curry to the position of Musical Director for 6 months. Conrad is joining the coast brass music scene and brings with him a wealth of experience both as a player and as a Conductor



2012 Committee

Welcome to the 2012 committee:

- President – Graham Lamb
- Vice President – David Camden
- Secretary – Sonya Ahearn
- Treasurer – Mandy Bellwood
- Publicity - VACANT
- Property officer – E-Yang Liu
- Librarian – Jack Rutherford
- Historian - VACANT
- Drum Major – Chris MacKenzie
- Committee members – Mark Downy, Kirrilly Macdermid, Norm Austen



Australia Day 2012

The Gosford City Brass Band celebrated Australia Day with the community of Pearl Beach and their visitors. It was a very wet but beautiful day and the community spirit was warm and sheltering as we celebrated this great country with fun activities and great music for all!

ANZAC Day 2011

You are invited to join the Gosford City Brass Band in commemorating all those who have served their country, at several services:

Wednesday 25th April 2012 (ANZAC Day):

- 5:45am- Bugler, Dawn Service
Gosford Cenotaph
- 10:30am- March & Memorial Service,
Gosford Mann St. & Cenotaph
- 2:30pm- March & Memorial Service
Ourimbah RSL Club

Positions Vacant

Our senior band is looking for more cornet players. We have vacancies for a Principal cornet (audition required), Solo cornets and 2nd & 3rd cornets.

The minimum performance standard we require is equivalent to AMEB 6th grade, and dedication to attend weekly rehearsals and our concerts & gigs is a must.

Please contact the secretary or Mark Downy on 0422 992 959

You are also invited to visit our website -

www.gosfordcitybrass.org

Please visit our website to find out more about the band, see photos of our performances and obtain details about our upcoming engagements. The band is always recruiting **beginner, junior and senior** players. If you know of any potential players for any of these groups, please encourage them to contact us. We are a well established community group committed to the promotion of musical excellence.

Join our **Emailing list** to receive this newsletter in colour - please send details to:

E-mail: secretary@gosfordcitybrass.org

Concerts for 2012

We have a big year ahead of us planned, with four great concerts to bring you the highest quality entertainment that you'll long remember! Although we aim to hold all our concerts at the same time and place each year, some unexpected circumstances may result in changes. For this reason, please make a very careful note of the time and location for each of these concerts as they do vary, and we certainly would not want you to miss us. Check our website closer to the date or give us a call.

“The Central Coast Brass Festival Entertainment Challenge”

Sunday 26th February 2012 @ 1pm

Mingara Recreation Club, Tumby Umbi

Tickets \$10 at the door

This annual event is being presented for the 8th time and is fast growing to epic proportions and popularity. With several visiting brass bands competing for a pool of \$1200 prize money, the Entertainment Challenge is a highly unique contest which aims at encouraging a mixture of excellent music and stimulating visual entertainment.

Contrary to many other traditional contests, however, this adjudication is scored 33% for the musical quality, and 33% for the entertainment value by invited adjudicators - local radio star Ray Buttsworth and Wiggle and Giggle music entrepreneur Darren Jones, and 34% by the audience- where just about anything goes! Competing this year will be Cardiff Northlakes, Parramatta, Gosford City, Brisbane Water and the 2011 defending champions St Mary's Band Club, Brass Bands.

“Central Coast Gala Festival – Boston Pops”

Sunday 27th May 2012, 2 Concerts.

Please check times at the club or on our website when details become available

Parkview Room, Central Coast Leagues Club

This concert features the Gosford City Brass Band, the Central Coast Symphony Orchestra, The Central Coast Concert Band and the Central Coast Philharmonia.

With so many talented musical groups the program is varied and of excellent value.

Support the concept of keeping 'music live' on the Central Coast and come along to give your support and have a very enjoyable afternoon

“Day of the Dragon”

Sunday 17th June 2012 @ 2pm

Coral Room, Gosford RSL Club

2012 is the year of the dragon. This concert will give you an afternoon to reflect on East meets West, with tunes and dances bridging the cultures. A one off concert of global proportions.

Bring your friends, bring your relatives and have an entertaining afternoon at the Club.

“Brass Blitz – We Remember”

Sunday 11th November 2012 @ 2pm

Coral Room, Gosford RSL Club

Gosford City Brass Band presents a special concert to remember our devoted armed forces that do so much to protect our country and keep peace all around the world.

Brass Blitz promises to bring in some old favourites to sing to, whistle to and to tap to. Remember the good ole days and the days of emotion and friendship.