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## Welcome!

Welcome to the Autumn Newsletter. We are about to start the busiest time of the year with the evening illuminated carnivals. Hope you enjoy this carnival season.

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## Bandmaster's Report

Welcome back everyone!!

We had a great start to 2010 and I think everyone has had a good break over the summer. We now have the serious part of the season coming up with big night time Carnivals and moving remembrance parades. I am really looking forward to the back end of this year with the run up to Christmas and development of the Band over the coming weeks to tune us in and raise the standard again.

As I said we had a great first half of 2010, with a great French Trip and superb Kingsbridge Camp and Carnival, so many memories and yet again we represented England in France superbly. The Kingsbridge camp had great weather and it was great to see almost the whole Band in the Sea!

Another great achievement this year has been the securing of £5000 towards replacing the instruments, a great effort writing and applying for the grant was put in and I thank all involved with making this possible, Great Job! We will be replacing drums, bugles and bells over the coming months, so good times!

Finally I just want you all to get out and promote the Band, we need more members in this great organisation, so speak to friends and family and get them involved.

Have a great run up to Christmas and enjoy it, it's going to be fun.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

Keep checking the website for updates! These are the events for the rest of the year so far. Please make every effort to attend, if for any reason you cannot come to an event please let Simon know in advance.

Date	Event
18 September	Ringwood & Axminster Carnivals
19 September	Recruitment event at Tesco
25 September	Frome Carnival
2 October	Shaftesbury Carnival
9 October	Jumble Sale, Corfe Mullen
16 October	Castle Carey Carnival
30 October	RBL Wimborne Poppy Appeal
30 October	Warminster Carnival
14 November	Remembrance Parades, Corfe Mullen & Broadstone
20 November	Father Christmas arrival at Stewarts Garden Centre
21 November	Father Christmas Parade, Poole

## JUMBLE SALE

**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> October**

On Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> October Corfe Mullen Girl Guides will be holding a Jumble Sale at the Corfe Mullen Guide Hut in order to raise funds for DYMB.

Can you spare a few hours during the day to help out?

We need help to sort jumble and man the stalls, so even if you can spare an hour it would be really helpful.

Please contact Heather on 01202 697129.

## Have YOU Gota Fundraising Idea?

**DYMB would like you, its member to come up with a fundraising idea that all members can take apart in!**

Maybe it could be Fill-A-Smarties Tube with £1 coins or, a Playathon!

Give your Ideas to Trevor, Scott or Sammy and we can help you, make your Fundraising idea happen!

## Exciting Times Ahead for DYMB

The Dorset Youth Marching Band have been awarded a grant of £5000 for the purchase of new instruments by the Grassroots Grants Foundation.

Grassroots Grants award small grants of between £250-£5000 to organisations that are active in the local community, who have an income less than £30,000 and who are mainly run by volunteers. We are lucky enough to be awarded the highest amount grant they offer as we cover all the criteria needed plus we have proven that we are a worthwhile charity that will benefit greatly from funding.

Some of our current instruments are in desperate need of being replaced and these new instruments will go a long way to improve the quality and the enjoyment of the band. We plan on purchasing 6 new side drums, 3 new bell lyres and 10 new bugles. The total cost of all this is £6000 so the grant we have received of £5000 is a huge help towards us purchasing these. This will not only improve the sound, smartness and ability of the band it will also allow us to have the facilities to increase our members and allow current members to try and learn new instruments. With these new instruments we will be able to create more opportunities for the current and new members of the Band.

The band is always looking for funding so that we can continue to improve the performance of the band and the enjoyment for the members. If anybody knows of any places where we may be able to apply for funding then please speak to Simon on a Wednesday evening.

A huge thank you to all those who worked hard to make it possible for us to get this grant.

Sammy

## **NEW WATERPROOF JACKETS**

You should now have all been issued your new black waterproof jackets. These are to be used primarily as our new wet weather uniform. They can also be used to wear to and from events in winter and when we're out and about with the band. We advise they are hung up in your uniform bag and are brought to all events so are on hand in the event of rain.....you know how unpredictable our weather can be!

However, great care should be taken with the jackets to ensure they stay in smart condition as they are expensive.

**IF THEY DO GET DIRTY PLEASE DO NOT WASH THEM WITH DETERGENT** as this will ruin the waterproof/breathable membrane which means they will leak! They should be washed with a pure soap or just simply rinsed. If you want to take ultimate care of your jacket the makers, Regatta, do a special cleaning agent designed for the jacket.

Please ask Vicky or Craig for further details or if you have any questions regarding jacket care.

**PLEASE REMEMBER THAT THESE JACKETS ARE PART OF YOUR UNIFORM  
AND MUST BE TAKEN TO ALL EVENTS**

As we had an extra day on camp this year, we crammed it full! We started the day with Woodlands where everybody had a chance to go on the rides, see the animals and all the other attractions Woodlands has to offer. Once Woodlands was finished with, we piled back onto the bus and back to camp before heading out to the beach at Challaborough Bay. The sea was calm (yet a little cold!) so some stayed on the beach, some went into the sea. Before long though we were heading back to camp, where we enjoyed our final cooked meal before heading off to bed.

On the Tuesday, we packed up camp and headed back to Dorset after another successful Kingsbridge Camp! I'm already looking forward to next year's!

*Scott*



## KINGSBRIDGE 2010

We returned to our annual camp in Devon at the end of July and what a weekend it was! Kicking off on Friday with a campfire and a hog roast was surely a sign that it was going to be a brilliant camp! After the journey down to the site, in Bigbury on Sea, we all set up our sleeping gear in our tents and sat around the camp fire with a drink before heading off to bed.

After a good (or should I say noisy!) night sleep we rose ready for the busy day ahead. Kicking off with a brilliant breakfast, expertly prepared by our resident cooks, Craig, Nick and Mark. After breakfast we had a practice and cleaned our kit before heading out to Kingsbridge, where we had a chance to look around the town before the carnival. Before long we'd fallen in and were marching off around the streets of Kingsbridge. As we marched through the town centre, blasting out Thunderer, we sounded brilliant (there's a video on DYMB.org and the Facebook page if you fancy a look). We received applause throughout and clearly entertained the masses of Kingsbridge! Soon though we were back at camp tucking into fish and chips in the marquee to avoid rain.

Once we had finished off breakfast on Sunday, we headed out to Dartmouth, where we went around the town to see what it had to offer. As the Sun was out, we stopped off at the beach on the way back to camp. After chilling for a bit we headed back to camp and had some excellent chilli (thank you Abi!) around the camp fire, where we settled for the rest of the night.

## LEADER PROFILE



**Name:** Mel

**Age:** 16

**Role in Band:** Drummer, Junior Female Leader

**Hobbies:** Annoying Craig. Being clumsy. Mel is always hurting herself somehow but seems to be growing out of that now as she hasn't done it for a while....but I better not speak to soon!

**Other things to know:** Mel is the junior female leader and runs the girls meetings  
*Craig*

## WAITROSE COMMUNITY MATTERS SCHEME

Waitrose operates a Community Matters Scheme that donates money to local charities. To nominate a local cause you simply fill in a form which you can pick up in store and return to the welcome desk. DYMB is a fantastic local charity, as you know! So why not pick up a nomination form in store and put the band forward?

Each month £1000 is split between three local charities depending on the number of tokens each charity gets. It would be great as the town band of Wimborne to benefit from this fund.

## FRANCE 2010

Another year, another trip to France. Except we hadn't been last year so we were all pretty excited about this one! We arrived at the port in France at about 8am having travelled through the night and made our way down to Saumur. Once we arrived we had a few hours to unload and relax before heading off to some caves to play for the band master of Elan Saumurois who had put on a gorgeous spread of typical French cuisine. Unfortunately the weather turned against us (luckily the new water proof jackets are actually water proof) which made the whole experience of playing on a cliff top next to some caves one of the most bizarre situations we've ever played in! Just goes to show that on our French trips you never know what's going to happen!

Day 2 and we headed to Allonne to meet our friends from Avenir Allonnais who had prepared a feast for us. Somehow some of the members managed to play games and have water fights outside and we were treated to a bugle solo from Chris Taylor!

The next day was a free day so we relaxed, visited shops and were treated to a tour round a local vineyard where some of the older members got to sample the wine. The next day was a busy one. We headed to Saumur town centre to play for the Mayor in front of the very grand town hall. We were invited inside for refreshments and praised highly by the Mayor. They treated us like Royalty, it's a shame we don't get that recognition in our own country! After a small break we met up with the Elan Saumurois band to play in the streets and then headed back to their hall for food and drinks.

Next day was an early start as we headed to Doue Zoo to see all the animals they have at this fantastic zoo. We had to back to the geits quite early to start preparing for the big BBQ we always throw for all the bands and friends we have made over there. The French bands each gave us a few tunes whilst the food was cooking and after they had pretty much

drunk us dry of all the wine we had, there was nothing left but for us to entertain our guests. After many group photos and goodbye's it was time for bed.

Our last full day was a relaxed one. Another shopping trip and a dip in the pool and a trip to a very traditional, small French village where there was a English fish and chip van. So traditional English cuisine in a traditional French village accompanied by a traditional French accordion player. Another example of how unpredictable these trips can be!

Last day and a very early start to get everything packed up and away on time to catch the ferry at Le Harve. Typically the weather on the last day was fantastic but that didn't stop this possibly being the best French trip yet!

*Craig*

