Welcome to the second edition of Tutti for 2018! We look forward to bringing you all the latest news from the Tasmanian banding community.

If you have a news story or event you would like featured in the next Tutti newsletter, please contact the editor (Michael Young) - E-mail: michael.allan.young@gmail.com

**Wanted: TBL Assistant Secretary**

There is currently a vacancy on the TBL executive for the position of Assistant Secretary. The role of Assistant Secretary acts as an assistant to secretary in roles such administration and distribution of information for contests, workshops, and meetings. Please contact Alida Quigley if you are interested in the position: secretary@tbl.org.au

**Wanted: Musical Director**

Glenorchy City Community Brass are seeking a new music director. The band is a friendly community-based brass band, that regularly participates in Open C grade brass at national and state contests.

The successful applicant will be required to lead the band at weekly rehearsals, concerts, and competitions. Rehearsal are Thursday nights 6:45-8:15pm at the Berridale Community Hall.

For more information, please contact Noel Hunt, e-mail: noel.hunt89@gmail.com mobile: 0419 100 735

Applications close June 15th.

**State Solos and Ensembles Update**

This year’s contest will be held at Launceston College over the weekend of May 26/27. Our adjudicators will be Christine Clarke on Saturday, and Ian Cooper and Robert Smithies on the Sunday.

Many thanks to Launceston College for the venue, and many thanks to the volunteers from Launceston City Band for assisting with the organising of the event.

**Important Dates**

20/5 – TBL Quarterly Meeting
26-27/5 – State Solo and Ensemble Championships
27/7 – Entries close for State Band Championships
17/8 – Permits close, Own Choice Scores Due
19/8 – TBL Quarterly Meeting
24/8 – Registration Lists and Stage Plans Due
8-9/9 – TBL Band Championships (Glenorchy)
State Band Championships Update:

The state band championships will be in the state’s south, and will be held in Glenorchy, at the Don Bosco Creative Arts Centre (Guilford Young College) over the weekend of September 8/9.

We are planning to host the marching component of the event at the Hull Street side of Glenorchy Primary School, which is not far away from the on-stage venue. This will be confirmed soon.

Adjudicators, and other details, will be announced soon. Thanks to Derwent Valley Concert Band for offering to assist with the organising of this event.

Nationals Wrap

The 2018 National Band Championships took place over the Easter long weekend in Kew, Victoria. Despite being an interstate nationals, Tasmania was well represented at the event – with 3 open brass bands, 1 junior brass band, and 2 open concert band participating at the contest.

The junior ensembles particularly excelled in Kew, with the North West combined junior brass band taking out the junior C grade brass title. Their junior quartet and quintet also did well, with both ensembles taking out first place in their sections. Rose Bay High School also performed well to take 3rd place in the Open D Grade Concert Band section.

The senior bands also fared well, with Hobart Wind Symphony achieving 2nd place in the open A grade concert band section, and Ulverstone achieving a commendable 4th place in the open C grade brass section. Ulverstone also came 2nd in their respective marching championship. Glenorchy (Open A grade) and Hobart Brass (Open C Grade) also put in commendable performances on the weekend, but did not obtain a placing.

Tasmanian bands were also well represented in the solo and ensemble championships. Benjamin Price (Hobart) in particular achieved an equal highest solo score on the day, with 98 in the open alto saxophone solo. Other Tasmanians to win their section include: Thomas McKay (open tenor sax), Bec Haight (open bassoon), Thomas Geale (junior tenor horn), Erin Dickers (junior French Horn), Nicholas Lord (junior tenor trombone), Megan Cowley (junior mallet percussion), and Merran Clay (junior flute).

The following people came second in their section: Naomi Dickers (junior high tuba), Michael Young (open tenor sax), Steven English (open soprano cornet), Samuel Howard (open bass clarinet), Eva Brix-Matthews (junior euphonium), and Stuart Stenton (junior Bb Cornet).

CCB Life Membership

At the end of 2017, Clarence City Band awarded life membership to Michael Young for his services as a band leader and committee member.

TBL Executive
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Assistant Secretary: Alida Quigley

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