



Stourport-on-Severn Band Buddies

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Hello to all of our Band Buddies!

Lots of news in the first quarter of the year to update you with, from contest success, the first outing of our new jackets and the departure of one of our long-standing soloists as he ventures into a musical profession. Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to seeing you soon. SoSBB



Contest success to promotion!

March sees every registered brass band across the UK take part in their Area Regional Championships to determine their 'placing' in section. Being in the top 3 bands of the Third Section for the Midlands, it was a very interesting time for SoSBB. We were confident we couldn't be relegated this year, but was promotion on the cards?

The test piece, 'Darkwood' by Dan Price depicted scenes of a Northern Village and was a popular choice. Happy with our performance, we achieved a fantastic 6th out of 18 bands who performed. We further heard that we're 'top of the table' for Third Section bands this year and will be promoted in January 2018 to the Second Section. A fantastic achievement for the band and testimony to the efforts and commitment of our conductor and players!

Also, the contest was our first opportunity to show off our new jackets (left) which looked both smart and professional on the day. Unlike our former uniform, our name is emblazoned on the front so there is no mistaking us now!



Concert dates for your diary in 2017



Saturday 13th May: 7.30 pm
Concert: Civic Centre, Stourport

Sunday 18th June: 2.30 pm
Bands in the Park: Lido Park, Droitwich

Saturday 1st July:
Persore Midsummer Festival of Brass
1.55 pm: Angel Inn/4.10 pm: The Abbey

Sunday 16th July: 2.30 pm
Bands in the Park: Sanders Park,
Bromsgrove

Saturday 7th October: 7.30 pm
Concert: Civic Centre, Stourport

Further details will be available in future
Buddy Bulletins—or check out our
website: www.stourportband.co.uk/
engagements

Farewell to Dave

Every player is valued at SoSBB and in April, we said a fond farewell to Dave Deakin our principal trombone player who has been with SoSBB for 6 years (plus 5 year in the 1990s). Dave will be progressing with a career in music, he plays professionally in a number of other bands including The Sopranos Jazz Band (www.sopranosjazz.co.uk) and Chase Jazzmen (www.chasejazz.co.uk) and teaches. The band presented a gift to Dave at his last performance, which was a concert in Wolverley. We sincerely wish you every success Dave!



Contact details

If you would like to book the band for an event, please contact us at: secretary@stourportband.co.uk
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We look forward to seeing you at our future performances.



