

# PALATIANS



## THE NEWSLETTER OF CRYSTAL PALACE BAND

### Issue: 12 (Summer 2005)

Hello, my name is Carol. Welcome to this summer edition of Palatians, the twelfth overall but my first as editor. On your behalf I'd like to say a big thank you to Clare Lipscombe for initially founding and then writing the newsletter for the past 3 years. Thank you Clare you've done a great job and I will do my best to keep up the good work.

### **A Celebration Concert**

As you will remember in our last issue of Palatians we learned of the sad loss of our friend and most long standing band member Roger Clements. With Roger in mind the band has decided to host a musical tribute. The date for your diaries is 22nd October 2005 at St George's Parish Church, Beckenham. There will be a retiring collection for St Christopher's Hospice. Please come along, bring all your friends and help us to make this an evening to remember.

### **Attention all past members of Crystal Palace Band.**

#### **Help us build a memorable band for a memorable concert.**

We would very much like you to add your support to the current membership of the band. If you would like to play we need to know by August 31st at the latest. All contact details are at the end of this newsletter. When we know who wants to join in for the evening Mike will be able to organise the sections. You will all be asked to wear the uniform of the band (if any) in which you are playing today as we feel that this will show just how wide friendships (and particularly of course Roger's friendships) spread in the banding world...

..... and they spread a long way.....

The following is just one of the many messages that have been left in the Guest book on the band's web site...

#### **Alan Luesby** wrote on 14.05.2005

Found your web site surfing the net one night. Sorry to hear about Roger's passing. He was a great guy, full of fun and I remember him well. I was a member of the CPB during the reign of MD Malcolm Simmonds. I was a trombone player. We met up with Malcolm and his wife Isobel in 2003 on a visit to Europe with the family, and still keep in touch. I recognise some of the names in the guest book. We now live in Adelaide, South Australia. I still play bass trombone and currently am a member of the Unley Concert Band which came 3rd in

the Australian Nationals. My best wishes to the band for the future.

No, we don't expect Alan will be playing with us in October

## Forthcoming Events

<b>Sunday 3rd July</b>	Concert, St Mary Norton Flower Festival 3.00 to 5.00 pm
<b>Saturday 9th July</b>	Old Coulsdon Village Fair, Grange Park 2.30 to 4.00 pm
<b>Sunday 10th July</b>	Broadstairs Bandstand, Victoria Parade, 2.30 - 4.00 pm
<b>Saturday 16th July, <i>B Band</i></b>	St Anthony's RC Primary School, Genoa Road Anerly
<b>Sunday 17th July</b>	Greenwich Park Bandstand 2.00 - 3.30 & 4.00 - 5.30 pm
<b>Sunday 23rd July</b>	Peter Pan in Kensington Gardens - Gt Ormond Street Hospital Charity Event.
<b>Sunday 31st July</b>	Parliament Hill Bandstand, Hampstead Heath, 3.00 - 5.00 pm
<b>Sunday 28th August</b>	Canbury Gardens Bandstand, Kingston upon Thames, 3.00 to 5.00 pm
<b>Sunday 4th September</b>	Central Bandstand, Herne Bay, 2-30 - 4.30 p.m.
<b>Saturday 22nd October</b>	Celebration Concert, St George's Beckenham - 7.00 pm

As you can see we are busy this summer, let's hope the weather does justice to our efforts! Please come and listen whenever you can, we value your support.

This summer we hope to play some of your favourites including a Gershwin selection, Sinatra songs and some good overtures and marches. We are also working hard on a Star Trek arrangement (which is rather difficult) and we have some lovely solo items that are being practiced by various members of the band.

Apologies to anyone who went to Canbury Gdns. in Kingston on the 5th June and found we weren't playing. They cancelled us! Please check the website or phone for up to the minute details of our performances.

### **I need your help...**

I need to update our mailing list as it has not been done for quite some time now.

### **Contests Results.**

**Stevenage**—National regional heat. We came fourth playing Variations for Brass Band by Vaughan Williams. This means promotion to National first section from January 2006.

**Hove** - Fifth place at the SCABA Spring Contest on 24th April

We played Variations again.

**Weston Super Mare** - 15th May. We came fourth from seven bands playing Kaleidoscope by Phillip Sparke We were pleased with this result as we were up against some good bands. To top this off the

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band had a great day out. Fish and Chip lunch on the sea front, sandcastles on the beach and ice cream on the pier. Plus, we met up with some past band members and old friends which was great.

Please, we would love to hear from you. Tell us if you have been to hear the band, did you enjoy it?

Is there anything you would like to know about the band?

You can write or e-mail to the addresses below and I will endeavour to answer any questions, plus it gives me something to write about in future issues of the newsletter. I may even print all or part of your letter.

If you wish to contact the editor, please do so in one of the following ways:

**e-mail** Carol Maher at [woal@btinternet.com](mailto:woal@btinternet.com) **OR phone** 020 8699 7850

If you have a general band enquiry (e.g. you would like to join the band, or would like to book the band) please contact the Secretary, Rachel Bleach, on 020 8776 2520, **OR** [mail@crystalpalaceband.co.uk](mailto:mail@crystalpalaceband.co.uk) **OR** visit our website [www.crystalpalaceband.co.uk](http://www.crystalpalaceband.co.uk)

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