

## BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

### **Derek Wilson MBE – President & Conductor Emeritus**

Derek started learning a musical instrument, the tenor horn, at the age of 10 years with a local brass band in his home town of South Shield, County Durham. At the age of 20 he joined the Royal Air Force School of Music where he learnt the French horn and music theory. On completion of the one year course he joined the No.1 RAF Regional Band where he spent four years before leaving to join the RAF Band in Germany as Principal Horn. Three years later he returned to RAF Uxbridge HQ Music Services joining the RAF Central Band in 1960 where he remained until retirement in 1982. Derek also spent seven years at Amersham Music Centre from 1970 teaching brass instruments and forming a junior and senior wind band as conductor. Over the years Derek has played in an opera orchestra in Ealing and for many shows and concerts in Middlesex and South Bucks as well as teaching in a number of South Bucks schools. In 1977, together with two parents of his pupils, he founded the Chalfont Wind Bands and his hope is that CWB will continue to entertain and support charities for many years to come. In 2007 he received an MBE for services to music and has been awarded the title of 'Conductor Emeritus' of CWB.

### **Dwight Pile-Gray BMus (Hons) ATCL –Director of Music**

Dwight began playing the French Horn at age 12, passing his grade 8 within five years. He went on to study for a performance degree at the Trinity College of Music, where he received tuition from some of the country's finest horn tutors and also studied conducting. During this time Dwight was engaged to play with a professional orchestra in Germany and played with the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra and the Orchestra of the Royal Opera House. He also played with a number of opera companies at home and abroad. Whilst at college Dwight was a member of numerous ensembles including a brass quintet, a woodwind quintet and a horn, violin and piano trio. On completion of his degree, he joined the Corps of Army Music in 2005 and, after graduating from the Royal Military School of Music, took up his post with the Band of the Corps of Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers whilst pursuing a varied freelance career. Dwight is currently studying for a further diploma in horn performance. He joined the Band in October 2010 as Assistant Director of Music and took up his role as Director of Music in January 2011 following the departure of Cliff Rowley.

### **Keith Bramich – Assistant Director of Music**

Keith Bramich studied conducting with Lawrence Leonard, Paul Sarcich and Mary Mogil. He is musical director of Mornington Sinfonia, assistant conductor of Chalfont Concert Wind Band and a regular guest conductor of Blackfriars Sinfonia. He has also worked as a conductor with The Leon Singers, Wealden Sinfonia and North Downs Sinfonia. In his spare time he sings in choirs, runs an international online daily classical music magazine and is managing director of a web design business. Keith joined the Band during the summer of this year.



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## FOLLOW THE BAND

Saturday 17 December 2011	Carols for Charity Chalfont St Peter (outside Budgens) In aid of National Society for Epilepsy 10.30 – 12.30
Saturday 24 December 2011	Carols for Charity The Observatory, Slough In aid of Thames Valley Hospice 10.30 – 12.30
(Date to be advised - 2012)	Spring Concert
Saturday 26 May 2012	St Joseph's Church Family Day Austenwood Lane, Chalfont St Peter
Saturday 16 June 2012	St Mary's Church Fête St Mary's Church, Amersham



# Chalfont Concert Wind Band

**Some vacancies for new members in both Bands**



### Rehearsals on **Monday** evenings

Concert band – 7.45pm to 9.45pm  
(minimum requirement: Grade 5)

Training band – 6.30pm to 7.30pm  
(for those starting to discover music and for those returning to it after a break)



#### Contact:

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Bryan Ogilvie (*Chairman*): 07810 648702  
Email: [enquiries@chalfontwindband.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@chalfontwindband.co.uk)

#### Rehearsal location:

Robertswood County Combined School,  
Denham Lane, Chalfont St Peter,  
Bucks. SL9 OEW



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## O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

1. O little town of Bethlehem,  
How still we see thee lie!  
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep  
The silent stars go by.  
Yet in thy dark streets shineth  
The everlasting Light:  
The hopes and fears of all the years  
Are met in thee tonight.
2. O morning stars together  
Proclaim the holy Birth!  
And praises sing to God the King,  
And peace to men on earth;  
For Christ is born of Mary,  
And, gathered all above,  
While mortals sleep, the angels keep  
Their watch of wondering love.
3. How silently, how silently  
The wondrous gift is given!  
So God imparts to human hearts  
The blessings of his heaven.  
No ear may hear his coming,  
But in this world of sin,  
Where meek souls will receive him, still  
The dear Christ enters in.
4. O holy child of Bethlehem,  
Descend to us we pray;  
Cast out our sin, and enter in:  
Be born in us today!  
We hear the Christmas angels  
The great glad tidings tell;  
O come to us, abide with us,  
Our Lord Emmanuel!

## SILENT NIGHT

1. Silent night, holy night  
All is calm, all is bright  
Round yon Virgin Mother and Child  
Holy Infant so tender and mild  
Sleep in heavenly peace  
Sleep in heavenly peace.
2. Silent night, holy night  
Shepherds quake at the sight  
Glories stream from heaven afar  
Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia  
Christ, the Saviour is born  
Christ, the Saviour is born.
3. Silent night, holy night  
Son of God, love's pure light  
Radiant beams from Thy holy face  
With the dawn of redeeming grace  
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth,  
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth



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### HOW DID YOU FIND OUT ABOUT TONIGHT'S CONCERT?

We shall appreciate your feedback by completing this form and either putting it in the box as you leave or sending your comments by email to [enquiries@chalfontwindband.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@chalfontwindband.co.uk)

'I found out about the concert from' (please tick all that apply):

- Band Member(s)
- Band Website
- Poster location.....
- Other please specify.....

If you would like to join our emailing list and receive information about forthcoming events please give your Name (please print clearly): .....

Email address: .....

## THE CHALFONT CONCERT WIND BAND

The Chalfont Concert Wind Band was founded in 1977. The Band's aim is to encourage the interest of musicians in making music together (young and old alike) and to give them plenty of experience of playing in public. To add variety, there are also instrumental ensembles associated with the Band. The Band is able to serve the local community by playing on suitable occasions, and raises considerable sums of money for charity.

Anyone playing a wind band instrument is welcome to join. The Concert Band requires Grade 5 standard and the Training Band requires no graded standard, but lots of enthusiasm! Both the Concert and Training Bands meet weekly for rehearsals on Monday evenings at Robertswood School, Chalfont St Peter, Bucks.

Rehearsal times are:           6.30 pm - 7.30 pm (Training Band)  
  7.45 pm - 9.45 pm (Concert Band)

If you are interested in joining one of the Bands, please contact us for further information - or even come along on a Monday evening. We would love to see you.

### Contacts:

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### BAND MEMBERS (\*Training Band ‡Both Bands)

**Piccolo:** Lucy Clayton  
**Flute:** Denise Ballheimer, Rebecca Barnard, ‡Sarah Benson, Sonia Chantler, Lucy Clayton, Andrea Coventry, Jessica Curson, \*Alexia Dodd, \*Molly Duncan, , Coralia Galtier, Lesley Lockhart, Anne Masters, \*Sara Paul  
**Oboe:** Kim Horgan, \*Darcy Paul  
**Clarinet:** ‡Sue Barnard, Gemma Bryson, ‡Mary Cadman, Barbara Douglas, David Hall, Alison Hockings, Helen Thrussell, Andrew Warren, Heather Wickham  
**E♭ Clarinet** Helen Thrussell  
**Bass Clarinet:** Rosalind Aspinall  
**Bassoon:** ‡Bryan Ogilvie  
**Alto Sax:** Kathy Campbell, ‡Harry Colman, Sara Paul  
**Tenor Sax:** ‡Martin Richardson, Philip Wilson  
**Baritone Sax:** Margaret Pianta  
**French Horn:** \*Matthew Adamson, Derek Wilson  
**Trumpet:** David Adamson, ‡Thomas Adamson, Gerard Farrell  
**Trombone:** Alex Conen, Helen Farrington, \*Elaine Flynn, \*Sarah Flynn,  
**Euphonium:** Paul Austin, Elaine Flynn, \*Ben Parkin  
**Tuba:** James Heath  
**Percussion:** Brian Tibbels