

March 2023

Banding Together 2023

On the last Sunday in January over 90 musicians gathered in Itchen College for the sixth instalment of Banding Together. This is an annual event hosted by SCWB along with Meridian Winds in which we invite woodwind and brass players as well as percussionists to join us for a day of music-making.



Central to the success of such an event is the music director and on this occasion we were extremely fortunate to have former Principal Director of Music of the Royal Air Force, Duncan Stubbs, at the helm. Throughout the day Duncan coaxed and cajoled the band into making some really good sounds and his light-touch approach was greatly appreciated by everyone. We can reflect on a very musical and highly sociable day during which we accomplished our mission to promote wind band music-making in the community.

Concert – Viva Musica!

Since January, SCWB has focused on preparing for our next concert which takes place on Saturday 25th March in Chandler's Ford Methodist Church.



We are thrilled to have as our guest soloist the renowned clarinettist, Peter Cigleris, who will perform the British premiere of the *Clarinet Concerto* by Japanese composer Satoshi Yagisawa. This work is delightfully accessible and will doubtless be enjoyed by performers and audience alike. Peter will also perform a cornerstone of the clarinet repertoire, Rossini's *Introduction, Theme and Variations*.

SCWB will be performing a wide range of music, stretching from traditional favourites *The Great Little Army* (Alford) and *By The Sleepy Lagoon* (Coates) to more contemporary repertoire such as *Exultate* (Hazo) and *Dusk* (Bryant). We're also very much enjoying getting to know Leonard Bernstein's *Candide Suite*.

This promises to be an excellent evening of musical entertainment and we hope to see you there!

Calum Gray Music Director

SCWB events to look forward to in 2023

Chandler's Ford Methodist Church With guest soloist Peter Cigleris, clarinet	March 25th	7:30pm
Christ Church, Winchester All proceeds to Trinity Centre in Winchester, helping those who are	June 17th homeless or disadvantaged	7.30 pm
Chandler's Ford Methodist Church Joined by the Band of The Hampshire Constabulary	Sept. 23rd	7.30 pm
Chandler's Ford Methodist Church With guest soloist Brett Baker, trombone	Nov. 11th	7.30 pm

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