



THATCHAM FESTIVAL

Cold Ash Brass

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Cold Ash Brass

Cold Ash Brass was founded in April 2003 by a small group of local Brass players determined to put the fun back into their Brass-Banding. We soon found out that we were not the first Cold Ash Band, the original one folded in about 1930. We have found some of the older villagers who remember the original Band, though to date we have been unable to re-sign any of the original musicians!

From its formation, the Band quickly grew to 18 members, and made its debut public performance at the Cold Ash Show in August 2003. Since then we have performed around the area, in Victoria Park Newbury and at Newbury Show, at St Marks School fete and Thatcham's Festival of Arts and with the Cold Ash Mummings in the local pubs at Christmas time.

Thatcham Town Council have been strongly supportive, engaging the band for Civic Events and for the Thatcham Remembrance day parade. Cold Ash Parish, Newbury Town Council, Greenham Common Trust and Awards for All have all enabled us to put the Band on a strong financial footing, so that we now have all the latest Brass Band arrangements and a pool of instruments available to play them on.

Our current musical director, Jemma Johnstone, joined us in 2012. Under her leadership we won our first contest in 2014 at SCABA Autumn Contest. Our next venture saw us placing second at the regional contest meaning a place in the national final.

Sadly, Jemma is stepping down as Musical Director and tonight is her final performance with the band! Her huge dedication and inspirational spirit will be hugely missed.





Whitelands Park School

Musical Director: Pedro Santos

Music is an extremely valued part of school life at Whitelands Park. The music culture in school is very strong and the children always have high expectations for everything they do.

Alongside their music lessons, the children can be part of choirs (General Choir and Performance Choir), Ukulele Orchestra, School Band, Brass Band, Flute ensemble, Drum ensemble and, very soon, Cello ensemble too.

Our Performance Choir and Brass Band prepared a few songs to perform for you and they can't wait to share their commitment and passion with you!

This is a very special evening for the brass band: it's the first time the children will play with the reputable Cold Ash Brass Band, which have inspired them for so long!

We hope you enjoy our singing and playing tonight!





Cold Ash Brass

King Kong March
(from 1933 Film: King Kong)

Max Steiner
arr. Philip Harper

Gethsemane
(from "Jesus Christ
Superstar")
Soloist: Lewis Higgins

Andrew Lloyd Webber
arr. Ray Farr

Canto Della Terra
*Duet: Ian Williams & Ben
Herbert*

Lucia Quarantotto/Francesco
Sartori
arr. P Holland

Largo al Factotum
Soloist: Matt Sanders

Gioacchino Rossini
arr. Stephen Roberts

I Want To Break Free

John Deacon
arr. Philip Harper

Whitelands Performance Choir

Matilda Highlights

Moana Highlights

- Interval -



Whitelands Brass Band and Cold Ash Brass

Split Decision

March Steps

Sakura, Sakura

Ode to Joy

Cold Ash Brass

March - Goldcrest

James Anderson

I Know Him So Well
(from "Chess")
*Duet: Dom Simes & Derek
Hawkins*

Benny Anderson/Björn Ulvaeus
arr. Urs Stähli

The World's Greatest
Storyteller
(Roald Dahl tribute)

arr. Philip Harper

Town Mayor of Thatcham Cllr Suzanne Adamantos Address

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Music

John Miles
arr. Philip Sparke



We hope you enjoy the concert. If you would like to hear more from us you can find Cold Ash Brass here in 2024:

Performance	Date/Time	Location
Remembrance Parade	10th November 2024 10:00	Thatcham Town Centre
Cold Ash Brass at Christmas	19th December 2024 19:30	St Mark's Church, Cold Ash
Carolling	Various December 2024	Thatcham/ Newbury





DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

NOV 10

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

TOWN CENTRE & WAR MEMORIAL CAR PARK

DEC 6 & 7

WARMING UP FOR CHRISTMAS

LIGHT SWITCH ON & ENTERTAINMENT
CHRISTMAS MARKET
THE HIGHSTREET & THE BROADWAY

DEC 8

CIVIC CAROL CONCERT

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