

WRENTHAM BAND

March 2023 Report for Wrentham Annual Parish Meeting

Immediately following the pandemic and for a significant period afterwards, the band saw a nervous public when it came to people congregating in enclosed spaces. This meant that the organisers of some of our regular events were very cautious in what they arranged for fear of having very small audiences and making losses.

The band did, however, perform at a number of events during the past year – Southwold Lions Fete, Wrentham's Platinum Jubilee, Southwold Arts Festival, Reydon's Brass on the Grass, Gorleston Band Stand, Wrentham Remembrance Service, Southwold Lights Switch On, Middleton Bell, Wrentham Christmas Concert, Carlton Hall, Wrentham Carol Service and carols at the Wrentham Horse and Groom.

The pandemic still seems to have dampened the enthusiasm of concert and event organisers so we are still short of some of our regular events and are still playing out less than usual, but hopefully time will help.

We have also returned to organising our own events and arranged a Christmas concert in December 2022 in the Village Hall, with a Spring concert coming up on 2 April 2023. These may turn into annual events as it is always good to play on home ground.

The band has a pretty strong membership, but we will always welcome any new player and will always find space for them to join us.

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