



Boherbuoy Band Newsletter

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ST PATRICKS DAY



Arrangements for St Patricks Day (Tuesday 17th March) are as follows: Meet in band hall at 10.30. We will march up to Barracks for 11.15 and will be leading the parade. When the parade is over we will have some lunch (bring your own sandwiches - tea will be provided) in the band hall and then travel by bus into Shannon. Their parade starts at 2.00. After the Shannon parade we will return by bus to the band hall and then anyone who wants to can go to Bobby Byrnes pub to warm up!



INTERNATIONAL BAND PARADE

The 37th Marching Band competition takes place on Sunday 15th March this year. It starts at 12 o'clock from the top of O'Connell Street. We will meet in the band hall at 10.30am and march to the start - we need to be there for 11 am.

NATIONAL BAND CHAMPIONSHIPS



**Irish Association
of Brass and Concert Bands**
Cumann na hÉireann um Bannaí Práis agus Ceolchoirme

This year the Championships will take place in the newly refurbished Cork School of Music on the 18th & 19th April, 2009. Please keep both days free as we are not yet sure which day we will be playing. The Dance Band will be playing on the Saturday night at the Metropole Hotel. A few people are staying for the weekend to support the Dance Band. Details of the Metropole Hotel are as follows for anyone who would like to stay: The Gresham Metropole Hotel & Leisure Centre (with pool), MacCurtain Street, Cork, are offering a discounted accommodation rate of €50 bed and breakfast per person sharing for IABCB members for the weekend of the National Championships (Friday & Sat-

urday night), with underground parking available for all guests. The hotel has also agreed to open their restaurant for us from 6pm and provide a 4-course meal for €30. Please reserve a table at the time of booking to ensure these rates. The Hotel can be contacted directly at 021 4643700 to make any reservations and please ensure you tell them you are with the IABCB to guarantee these rates. This rate is only guaranteed until March 20th when any remaining rooms will be released.

DANCE BAND

The Boherbuoy Dance Band is hoping to perform at Nationals again this year following the success of last year!! If you would like to take part in the Dance Band please contact Andrew. The band would hope to rehearse once a week leading up to Nationals - Day to be confirmed.

REHEARSAL SCHEDULE FOR NATIONALS

Band practices will be as normal on Wednesday nights at 8.30 and Sundays at 11.30. There will also be extra section practices. Brass Section practices will be every Wednesday from 7.30 - 8.30 and Woodwind practices will be every Sunday from 10.30 - 11.30. Derbhile has committed to be at all practices until the Nationals and it would be greatly appreciated if as many people as possible attend all rehearsals. The sections practices are proving to be very beneficial.

CHILD PROTECTION POLICY

The Boherbuoy Band Child Protection Policy is now completely in place. A summary of the main points of the document is now framed and displayed in the band room. All members are asked to read this summary and also read the full policy document. This policy relates not only to committee members but to everyone in the band. To view the full policy, please contact Andrew or Antoinette. Members of the committee have received child protection training; further child protection training will be available shortly for band members wishing to attend.



BIRTHDAY PARTY SATURDAY APRIL 4TH



Dioreann and Caoimhe are celebrating their 21st birthday on Saturday 4th April at Garryowen Rugby Club. Anyone who can identify them correctly in the above photo is welcome to attend!!

JUNIOR BAND

Classes for both children and adults are now running every week. There are currently 18 children and 7 adults

learning new instruments. However with so many new members the band is struggling to provide instruments. If you have any old instruments which you would like to donate to the junior band please contact a committee member. A huge thank you must be said to all senior members who help out on these nights. It would be impossible to run these classes without your help. These classes ensure the tradition of teaching music in Boherbuoy remains alive and secures the future of the Boherbuoy Band.

Classes for children are on Thursday's from 6pm-8pm and for adults on Friday's from 6pm-8pm. New members are asked to donate €5 a week for classes.

CLONAKILTY

It was decided that as we had so much fun in Clonakilty last year we would make a weekend of it this year. Antoinette has booked 5 houses at a cost of approx. €50 per head for two nights (Friday and Saturday). Antoinette has offered to help people to save by collectiing €10 or more per month. If you are interested in doing this, please contact Antoinette.

UPCOMING BAND ENGAGEMENTS

March 15th

Marching Bands Competition in Limerick.

March 17th

St Patricks Day Parades in Limerick and Shannon.

April 4th

Celebrity Bainisteoir @ St Patricks GAA Club, Rhebog. Time TBC.

April 5th - Palm Sunday

St. Joseph's Church - 5.30pm Mass.

April 18th & 19th

National Band Championships in Cork

May 10th

GAA parade to Gaelic grounds – 11.00 from Pery Square

July 4th

Clonakilty - see above

If you want anything included in the next newsletter – ads, notices, anything you think may be of interest, please don't hesitate to contact Michéal Keller on 061-498231 (W) or 086-8490304 or use the e-mail address micheal.keller@stryker.com

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