



Sounds from the South

Rushen Silver Band Newsletter
March 2025



Manx Family Concerts

The Band had a fantastic time working with Manx Family Concerts in January. It was a great pleasure to bring the magic of live music to two amazing audiences. We had marching, dancing, percussion playing and parachute games, all to accompany a range of music including fanfares, marches, pop music, film music, jazz and traditional folk music amongst others.



We were really pleased with our 'guest conductors', and to everyone who came along to have a go at playing some of the instruments at the end of the concert.

We were very impressed with how many people managed to get a note from them on their first attempt!!

Friends Spring Coffee Morning

The Friends of Rushen Silver Band will be holding a Coffee Morning on Saturday 8th March from 10.00am to 11.30am at St Catherine's Church Hall, Port Erin. Please come along, we hope you can join us.

Parish of Rushen Concert

The Band have been invited back to participate in the Parish of Rushen Concert Season for 2025. Our first concert of the season will take place on Thursday 3rd April starting at 7.30pm at the newly refurbished St Catherine's Church in Port Erin. Admission to the concert is free, with refreshments afterwards in the Church Hall. A collection will also be taken at the end of the concert to be split between the Church and the Band.

For more information about Rushen Silver Band or suggestions for the Sounds from the South newsletter, please contact the Band Secretary:
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Band Annual Dinner and Awards Ceremony 2025

The Band's Annual Dinner & Awards Ceremony will take place this year on Saturday 8th March with a 7pm start and food served at 7.30pm. We are again delighted that the Bradda Glen Restaurant in Port Erin will host the event. There will be a raffle, so all raffle prizes are welcome please. We hope you can join us to celebrate the achievements of the Band over the past year.

Menu

Roasted Tomato & Sweet Pepper Soup with bread (GFA/Vegan)
Classic Prawn Cocktail, buttered brown bread and Marie Rose sauce (GFA)
Chicken Liver Pate, pear chutney and crusty bread

Carvery

Beetroot, lentil and butternut squash Wellington

Apple crumble with custard (GFA/VeganA)
Strawberry Shortcake with vanilla cream
Black Forest Gateau with double cream

If you would like to attend, please can you complete the link [here](#) for each person attending. If you are unable to use the link, please contact Chris Weldon (07624 471166).

Tickets are priced as follows:

- Band members - £22.50
- Non Band members - £32.50
- Ballafesson Brass players under 18 - £10

Where possible, please make payment electronically to :

Account Name : Rushen Silver Band
Sort Code : 55-91-04
Account Number : 41861795

Dates for your diary...



Saturday 8 th March	Friends of the Band Coffee Morning (at St Catherine's Church all, Port Erin)	10am
Saturday 8 th March	Band Annual Dinner & Awards Ceremony (at Bradda Glen Restaurant, Port Erin)	7pm for 7.30pm
Saturday 14 th March	Ballafesson Brass for Colby RBL (at Colby Football Club clubhouse)	7.30pm
Thursday 3 rd April	Parish of Rushen Season Concert (at St Catherine's Church)	7.30pm
Monday 2 nd June	Port Erin Beach Concert	6.00pm
Saturday 28 th June	Joint Concert with Ballafesson Brass (at Peel Cathedral)	7.30pm
Sunday 20 th July	175th Anniversary Church Service (at Ballakilpheric Chapel)	3.00pm
Sunday 10 th August	Cliff Top Concert (at Groudle Glen Railway Cafe)	1.00pm

All events are subject to change. Details of other planned events for the Band and Ballafesson Brass can be found on the Band website: www.rushensilverband.org.im/engagements

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