

PATCHAM SILVER BAND (SENIOR BAND) – MEMBERSHIP EXPECTATIONS (May 2015)

Patcham Silver Band is a friendly musical organisation which welcomes potential players to become members. The aspiration is to give enjoyment to its members but at the same time to take the playing of its music seriously and to its maximum capability.

Prospective new members and visitors / guests helping out can expect to receive a warm welcome and to be made to feel 'at home'. In return, any prospective band member would need to fit in with the band's way of being and to be willing to sign up to its general rules and regulations which are deliberately not too onerous on the individual. Essentially these are:

- Band members will take part actively in making practices an enjoyable experience for everyone and this includes, loyalty to the band, attention to the Musical Director during practice, helping each other and being friendly and welcoming.
- To attend practices regularly including extra ones scheduled for particular musical activities (e.g. contests, ensemble work). If an individual is unable to attend for a good reason, notice of absence is to be given to the Musical Director or if not possible, to a member of the Committee.
- All band members will be supportive of the Musical Director so that the band can improve and develop. This includes the attendance of band engagements and concerts and giving adequate notice of unavoidable non attendance barring any genuine emergencies.
- Members should co-operate with the Musical Director if asked to try another instrument or part if this should be for the advancement of the Band and the individual.
- All band property will be looked after and kept in good condition, good working order and clean.
- All band music folders must be handed in at the end of practice if non attendance of the next one is unavoidable. Music folders in the care of individuals must be kept in decent condition and the music in alphabetical order. All music must be given in when requested.
- No music should be removed from music folders other than to play, or at the direct request of either the Musical Director or the Librarian.
- All band members will pay subscriptions promptly and willingly.
- All band members are expected to play their part in restocking and making of tea / coffee for everyone's enjoyment according to the schedule agreed. Band members will also help with the setting up and putting away of chairs etc. for practices and engagements as needed.

N B The above is also intended to give the Musical Director and existing members guidance for recruiting prospective new members. The committee will be involved in approving application for membership. New members will be announced orally at band practice to give opportunity for a big welcome from the rest of the band membership.

PATCHAM SILVER BAND (YOUTH BAND) – MEMBERSHIP EXPECTATIONS (May 2015)

Patcham Silver Youth Band is a friendly musical organisation which welcomes both young players and adult learners to become members. The aspiration is to give enjoyment to its members but at the same time to take the playing of its music seriously and to its maximum capability.

Prospective new members, parents, family members or friends visiting can expect to receive a warm welcome. Members are expected to adhere to its general rules and regulations which are deliberately not too onerous on the individual. Essentially these are:

- Members will take part actively in making practices an enjoyable experience for everyone and this includes, loyalty to the band, attention to the Musical Director during practice, helping each other and being friendly and welcoming.
- To attend practices regularly including any extra ones scheduled for particular musical activities (e.g. contests, ensemble work). If an individual is unable to attend, notice of absence is to be given to the Musical Director.
- Members will support the Musical Director so that the band can improve and develop. This includes taking part in the band's engagements and concerts and giving adequate notice of inability to attend.
- All band property will be looked after and kept in good condition, good working order and clean.
- All band music folders must be kept in good order and handed in to the Musical Director when asked.
- Members will pay subscriptions promptly and willingly.