

## PRESS RELEASE

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### LBBA 2017: Solo Contest

Following decades of performances in Groby, the Leicestershire Brass Band Association this year took another step to move its annual open Slow Melody, Duet and Quartet competition to the Loughborough Endowed Schools campus, which also now provides the home for the LBBA Open Brass Band Contest each November. The superb facilities and performance halls in the Music School provided a new setting for the longstanding competition, which took place on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April. Competitors and supporters were quick to provide positive feedback to the Association about the new venue and how it supported and enhanced a fine day of music making. Secretary Lesley Bentley said of the move, 'moving any contest venue is always a gamble, especially when it has taken place in the same venue for so many years, but we couldn't be more pleased with the facilities, and staff, at Loughborough Endowed Schools which has revitalised this contest for our competitors'. The Leicestershire Association would like to thank all of the bands who entered for their continued support.

Fighting it out for the top prize in the Open Slow Melody competition this year saw George Newbould, Principal Cornet with Thoresby Colliery Band, take the crown narrowly beating Brighthouse and Rastrick's Bass Trombone Stephen Lomas. In the Air and Variations, Patricia Woodings from Newhall picked up the first prize, whilst in the individual age and Junior Sections Shirland Welfare Training continued their fine run of success, in particular brothers Jack and Luke Newborough who both collected a haul of silverware. In addition to wins in slow melody, air varie and sight reading sections, the rising Tenor Horn star Luke Newborough once again collected the Harry Bray Memorial Trophy and the title of 2017 overall LBBA Junior Champion.

### Full Results as follows:

<b>Slow Melody 10 Years &amp; under</b>			
1st	Fleur Moakes	Shirland Welfare Training	98 Points
2nd	Ashton Peat	Hathern Youth	96 points
3rd	Emma Broadhead	Wigston Horizon	94 Points

<b>Slow Melody 11 &amp; 12 Years</b>			
1st	Daniel Garland	Shirland Welfare Training	90 Points
2nd	Emily Capstack	Leicestershire Co-op	88 points
3rd	Jack Browne	Hathern Youth	87 Points

<b>Slow Melody 13, 14, &amp; 15 Years</b>			
1st	Luke Newborough	Shirland Welfare Training	95 Points
2nd	Natellie Poulter	Shirland Welfare Training	92 Points

3rd	George Baum	Hatern Youth	90 Points
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<b>Junior Slow Melody 16, 17 &amp; 18 Years</b>			
1st	Jack Newborough	Shirland Welfare Training	97 Points
2nd	Georgia Fletcher	Shirland Welfare Training	97 Points
3rd	Charlotte Burton	Shirland Welfare Training	95 Points

<b>Junior Sight Reading 15 Years &amp; Under</b>			
1st	Luke Newborough	Shirland Welfare Training	95 Points
2nd	Sam Edwards	Hathern Youth	90 Points
3rd	George Baum	Hathern Youth	85 Points

<b>Junior Sight Reading 16, 17 &amp; 18 Years</b>			
1st	Charlotte Burton	Shirland Welfare training	92 Points
2nd	Jack Newborough	Shirland Welfare Training	90 Points

<b>Junior Air Varie 14 Years &amp; Under</b>			
1st	Luke Newborough	Shirland Welfare Training	93 Points
2nd	Gabrielle Moakes	Shirland Welfare Training	91 Points

<b>Junior Air Varie 15, 16, 17 &amp; 18 Years</b>			
1st	Jack Newborough	Shirland Welfare Training	90 Points
2nd	Charlotte Burton	Shirland Welfare Training	89 Points
3rd	Georgia Fletcher	Shirland Welfare Training	88 Points

<b>Junior Duets 18 Years &amp; Under</b>			
1st	Jack Newborough Luke Newborough	Shirland Welfare Training	100 Points
2nd	Luke	Shirland Welfare	98 Points

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	Newborough Gabrielle Moakes	Training	
3rd	Gabrielle Moakes Fleur Moakes	Shirland Welfare Training	97 Points

<b>Junior Hymn Tune Quartet 14 Years &amp; Under</b>			
1st	Hathern Youth		88 Points
2nd	Shirland Welfare Training A		87 Points
3rd	Ratby Junior		85 Points

<b>Junior Quartet 18 Years &amp; Under</b>			
1st	Shirland Welfare Training A		95 Points
2nd	Shirland Welfare Training B		90 Points
3rd	Shirland Welfare Training C		81 Points

<b>Open Slow Melody</b>			
1st	George Newbould	Thoresby Colliery	95 Points
2nd	Stephen Lomas	Brighouse & Rastrick	94 Points
3rd	Steve Barham	Leicestershire Co-op	90 Points

<b>Open Air Varie</b>			
1st	Patricia Woodings	Newhall	95 Points
2nd	Ian McCormick	Thoresby Colliery	93 Points
3rd	Stephen Lomas	Brighouse & Rastrick	92 Points

<b>Open Duet</b>			
1st	Thomas Barham Steve Barham	Leicestershire Co-op	97 Points
2nd	Colin Davenport Heather Moakes	Shirland Welfare	96 Points
3rd	Emily Capstack Richard Capstack	Leicestershire Co-op	95 Points

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<b>Open Quartet</b>			
1st	Shirland Welfare		95 Points
2nd	Shirley		94 Points

<b>Open Percussion</b>			
1st	Jamie Green	Wigston Enterprise	89 Points
2nd	George Baum	Hathern Youth	91 Points

<b>Overall LBBA Junior Champion</b>	
Luke Newborough	Shirland Welfare Training

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