

LAST NIGHT OF THE PROMS

Land Of Hope & Glory, Rule Britannia, Jerusalem
Plus music from The Beatles, Glenn Miller,
Lloyd-Webber, Mozart & more

Sunday March 24th - 3pm
West Cliff Theatre, Clacton-on-Sea



**WEST BERGHOLT
CONCERT BAND**

Music for all since 1978

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A warm welcome to this afternoon's concert & thanks very much for coming along. We always look forward to our concerts here and I know we'll have an enjoyable afternoon together. As always we encourage you to join in whenever you like - sing along, hum along, clap along, wave your flags or programmes - especially for the proms pieces. Those in the band that are playing here for the first time are in for a treat (& a surprise) when they see how much you join in and how much fun we have together.

The band have been playing at the West Cliff for as long as I can remember, starting in the 1980s under the baton of our founder Sid Cooper through to the early 1990's with my brother Jeff conducting, including the memorial concert we held here for Sid in 1990. Whilst the band was rebuilding in the mid-1990s after the loss of Sid, the West Cliff was always the venue we missed the most, so I was delighted to be able to bring the band back here in March 2000. Since then we've played here at least once every year (except for lockdowns) so this is a theatre and audience which hold a special place in the band's hearts & history.

This afternoon's concert is a result of an audience request to play a "Last Night Of The Proms Concert" when we were here last March. I can't believe it's 11 years since we last played a proms concert here, so it was a great idea. I also can't believe 2024 marks 30 years since I took over conducting the band full time, so alongside the proms pieces we'll be playing some pieces I remember from my days as a young Clarinet player in the band back in the 1980s. Sid was my inspiration to be a musician and conductor, so to be conducting the band in the same spot as he did, and to be conducting some of the pieces he conducted is the best possible way I could honour his inspiration and celebrate 30 years of waving my arms about and pointing a white stick.

We are always grateful that so many of you come to our concerts - the band have been blessed with wonderfully supportive & interactive audiences whenever we play here, so thanks again for coming along, and we hope you enjoy the concert.

Everything you need to know about the band is on our website www.wbcb.org, or you can call Graham on 07941 947541 or eMail Conductor@wbcb.org.

If you'd like to follow our concerts...you can find them on our website www.wbcb.org. We also :

- Publicise events in local magazines - such as Look & Regional Life
- Publicise in local papers (sometimes large articles, sometimes small)
- Will appear in the theatre brochure when we play here (next March)

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LAND OF HOPE AND GLORY

Land of Hope and Glory, Mother of the Free
How shall we extol thee, who are born of thee?
Wider still and wider shall thy bounds be set
God, who made thee mighty, make thee mightier yet...
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RULE BRITANNIA

Rule, Britannia! Britannia, rule the waves:
Britons never will be slaves.

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1. Bandology Eric Osterling
2. Phantom Of The Opera Andrew Lloyd-Webber arr Warren Barker
3. Bugler's Holiday Leroy Anderson
Featuring John, Chris, Tom
4. Glenn Miller In Concert arr Wayne Scott

Training Band

1. The Great Escape Elmer Bernstein arr Robert W. Smith
2. Sea Breeze Ralph Gingery
Soloist : Megan Hutchings
3. Just a Closer Walk with Thee arr Johnnie Vinson
Featuring Emily, Tom, Ed, Martin, Matt
4. I Dreamed A Dream C-M Schonberg arr Robert Longfield
5. Meet The Beatles! arr Johnnie Vinson
6. YMCA Morali, Belolo & Willis arr Larry Norred

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1. Radetsky March Johann Strauss arr Gordon Langford
2. A Neapolitan Overture arr Eric Osterling
3. Romanza (*)
Soloist - James Wilson W.A. Mozart arr Andy Clark
4. Fantasia On British Sea Songs Sir Henry J. Wood arr W. J. Duthoit
Rule Britannia (+)
5. Jerusalem (+) Sir Hubert Parry arr Philip Sparke
6. Pomp & Circumstance March No. 1 Sir Edward Elgar
Land Of Hope & Glory (+)
7. Signature Tune : Dixie Patrol Harold L. Walters

(+) Guest Soprano - Sarah White

(*) Premiere Performance

**We hope to see you here next year -
Sunday March 23rd 2025 - 3pm**

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JERUSALEM

And did those feet in ancient time
Walk upon England's mountains green?
And was the Holy Lamb of God
On England's pleasant pastures seen?
And did the Countenance Divine
Shine forth upon our clouded hills?
And was Jerusalem builded here
Among these dark satanic mills?

Bring me my bow of burning gold!
Bring me my arrows of desire!
Bring me my spear! O clouds, unfold!
Bring me my chariot of fire!
I will not cease from mental fight,
Nor shall my sword sleep in my hand,
Till we have built Jerusalem
In England's green and pleasant land.

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2024 Concerts

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| June - Sunday 9th | 2:30pm | Summer Outdoors Concert (TBC) |
| July - Saturday 6th | Afternoon | West Bergholt Fete |
| July - Saturday 13th | 7:30pm | Around The World In 80 Minutes - Coggeshall St Peter ad Vincula |
| November - Friday 15th or Saturday 16th | 7:30pm | Schools Concert - Venue TBC |
| December - Saturday 14th | 7:30pm | Christmas Concert with Choirs - St Botolph's Colchester |

2025 Concerts

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| March - Sunday 23rd | 3:00pm | West Cliff Theatre, Clacton |
| <p><i>Remaining 2025 dates coming soon - please check our website (www.wbcb.org.uk) for dates.</i></p> | | |

