

Festival of West Cork
Incorporating South of Ireland Band Championships
Saturday, 1st July, 2017

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Please note: Contact us by telephone only from June 29

The draw for the 38th South of Ireland Band Championships is as follows:-

Junior Category:

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| 1. St Fachtna's Silver Band, Skibbereen | 5. C. J. Kickham B & R Band, Tipperary |
| 2. Fermoy Youth Band | 6. Clara Town Junior Band |
| 3. Midleton Junior Concert Band | 7. Banna Chluain Meala Junior Band |
| 4. Knocklyon Concert Junior Band | 8. Redemptorist Centre of Music, Limerick |

Intermediate Category:

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| 1. St Nicholas Brass Band, Cork | 10. C. J. Kickham Brass & Reed Band, Tipperary |
| 2. Lourdes Youth Band, Drogheda | 11. Fermoy Concert Band |
| 3. St Patrick's Brass Band, Cashel | 12. Cork Barrack St. Band |
| 4. Drogheda Youth Brass Band | 13. Blanchardstown Brass Band, Dublin |
| 5. Newbridge Wind Ensemble | 14. City of Waterford Brass Band |
| 6. St Fachtna's Silver Band, Skibbereen | 15. Lucan Concert Band |
| 7. St Mary's B & R Band, Maynooth | 16. St Mary's Brass & Reed Band, Kingscourt |
| 8. Ennis Brass Band | |
| 9. James Fitzgerald Memorial Band, Mitchelstown | |

Senior Category:

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| 1. Ardee Concert Band | 5. St James's Brass & Reed Band, Dublin |
| 2. Ballymore Eustace Concert Band | 6. Lourdes Brass Band, Drogheda |
| 3. Boherbuoy Brass & Reed Band, Limerick | 7. Clonmel Concert Band |
| 4. Clonakilty Brass Band | |

The Intermediate category, at Clonakilty Community Hall, will commence punctually at 9.30 a.m. and the Junior competition will also commence at 9.30 a.m. at Clonakilty Community College. These will be followed by the Senior competition at the Hall. There will be a break for lunch at 1.15 pm and the competition will resume at 2.00 p.m. sharp. A glance at the running order is a

stark reminder of the long day in store for Adjudicator, Mr Philip Harper. Together, let us make every effort to make it enjoyable for him and for Captain Brian Prendergast who will adjudicate the Junior category.

To ensure the smooth running of this hugely-challenging logistical programme, all bands are requested to be present when the competition begins and to be on standby when the preceding band is performing. Your co-operation is vital and greatly appreciated. Should a band not be present in the order of the draw, the next band shall take its place. The order of appearance of the late band will be at the discretion of the organisers. Should a band wish to change its order of performance, the change must be arranged in consultation with the organisers. We appeal to all bands to be in attendance in good time.

- (1) **Setting-up time is 10 minutes max.** The first band of the day and first after lunch should set up ten minutes before performance time.
- (2) **Senior and Intermediate bands which exceed 15 minutes, and Junior bands which exceed 12 minutes will be penalised** by a deduction of one mark per extra minute played over the prescribed time.
- (3) Remember to bring **your own** music stands. **To facilitate the Intermediate and Senior categories, 50 music stands will be available in the hall only.**
- (4) Please note that a maximum of **three players**, who are not **permanent** members of the particular band performing, may be included for competition purposes on condition that they are declared **prior** to the competition.
- (5) **If you have not already supplied your repertoire, please do so immediately as our programme is ready to go to print. Friday, June 16, is the absolute deadline so please co-operate.**
- (6) A copy of the scores is to be provided for the adjudicators **on the day. Please do not post them, and remember to collect them after the performance.**
- (7) The nearby Community College, by kind permission of the Principal, Ms Anne Dunne and Cork ETB, will again be available to us for changing and rehearsal purposes from **8.30 a.m.**
- (8) **All cups and trophies must be returned in time for the display. These awards are presented in memory of people dedicated to music, and are of special significance to all of us.**
- (9) We thank all our sponsors whose representatives will be with us for the prizegiving, which will take place after the Senior competition. **As always, we thank you for your co-operation in bringing the music to the streets. This is what makes Clon's Bands Day so special for everyone. We will be in touch to arrange suitable times and locations for your short street recital and we acknowledge this generous gesture.**
- (10) **All bands must produce a copy of their Child Protection Policy.**

NB. Please ensure that you take care of your belongings and leave nothing behind.

Finally, let's hope that the sun will shine and that your visit to Clonakilty will be successful and enjoyable. We look forward to welcoming you all, especially our new bands. Safe travelling and the best of luck!

Yours sincerely,

Eileen Kingston
Bands Coordinator

Organising Committee: Denis Kingston, Chairman; Raymond Blackwell, Director; Christopher Hinchy, Vice-Chairman; Rosie O'Donovan, Promotions Manager; Eileen Kingston, Sec/PRO, Gerald O'Driscoll.