

MULLABRACK ACCORDION BAND

TRUSTEES REPORT, FINANCIAL
STATEMENTS AND INDEPENDENT
EXAMINERS REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDING
31ST AUGUST 2018

CHARITY NUMBER 103161

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The objective of our band is to promote and encourage accordion music and to advance the understanding, education of and interest in accordion music for the benefit of the inhabitants of Mullabrack and the surrounding area although the impact that our band has can be seen throughout Northern Ireland.

This year band practice started a little bit later than usual with twenty seven members and two new percussion players. With band parades and Sunday services still ongoing this kept the band very busy into the middle of November.

This year in December, we decided to visit the local nursing home, Hebron House, to play Christmas carols for the residents. We brought extra musical instruments for the residents to join in and a great night was had by all, finished off with tea and shortbread and of course some sweet treats. Also in December we approached the local supermarket Hunters and asked if we could play Christmas carols one Saturday afternoon outside their shop, which we did, all be it a very cold afternoon, we collected £367.56 which we donated to Newry Hospice.

After our Christmas break practice started back again in January, we had agreed to hold a concert in March so our focus was on this, this date approached fast, we had a few acts cancel on us at last minute but replacements were found and people were only too willing to step in and help. A fantastic night was had by all and the concert raised over £2000.00.

Our annual parade was held on Friday 25th May in Markethill with 32 bands in attendance, a mixture of accordion, flute, pipe and silver.

Marching season was now upon us and with over 40 parades on our calendar it was going to be a busy year. In July we held a raffle, something we have never done before. All our prizes were kindly donated and again this raised a fantastic amount of money for band funds.

This year again we want to thank Mr David Graham for helping teach all our learners how to read a music scale and how to play the accordion, his patience and commitment is always very much appreciated.

All trustees and committee members remain the same for the incoming year 2018/2019.

Trustee

